

Marleen Van Laethem

Education

- *Master of Health Science* in Bioethics, University of Toronto, 2007.
- *Bachelor of Science*, McMaster University, 1984, majoring in biology (molecular genetics, cellular biology, immunology).
- *Certificate of Environmental Management*, Ryerson University, 1997 (including courses in ethics, law, risk management, environmental engineering).

Professional Ethics Experience

Clinical Ethicist, St. Joseph's Health Care London, November 2010 – present.
Leads clinical and organizational ethics across all sites of St. Joseph's Health Care London. Includes ethics consultation, ethics education to physicians and staff, policy writing, core faculty of St. Joseph's Catholic Mission Leadership course.

Research Ethicist, Toronto Rehabilitation Institute, August 2007 – October 2010.
Applying Ethicist skills and knowledge to ethical issues in research. Assisting the Director of Ethics and Spiritual Care in clinical and organizational ethics.

Research Ethics Monitor, St. Michael's Hospital, February 2001 – August 2007.
Assessing ethics education needs for researchers and Research Ethics Board members. Designing and teaching ethics education. Conducting internal Quality Assurance audits of research.

Clinical Experience

Pulmonary Function Technologist and Respiratory Research Coordinator, St. Michael's Hospital, 1992-2001.

Pulmonary Function Technologist, West Toronto Respiratory Services, 1984-1985.

Sleep Lab Technician, St. Michael's Hospital 1985.

Pulmonary Function Technician, St. Michael's Hospital, summers of 1983, 1984.

Biochemistry Technician, St. Michael's Hospital, summers of 1981, 1982.

Publications

Rochon PA, Hoey J, Chan AW, Ferris LE, Lexchin J, Kallar SR, et al. **Financial Conflicts of Interest Checklist 2010 for clinical research studies**. *Open Med* 2010;4(1):69-91.

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Lavery JV, Van Laethem MLP, Slutsky AS. **Monitoring and oversight in critical care research.** *Critical Care,* 2004.

Other Professional Experience

Member, Ethical, Legal and Social Issues (ELSI) Advisory Committee for the Canadian Longitudinal Study on Aging (CSLA), Canadian Institutes for Health Research (CIHR), 2019 – present.

Member, Medical Assistance in Dying Task Force, Catholic Health Alliance of Canada, 2016 – present.

Member, Ethics Network, Catholic Health Alliance of Canada, 2012 – present.

Invited delegate, International Association of Catholic Bioethics (IACB), Colloquium, Quebec City, 2019.

Member, Conflict of Interests Implementation Committee, Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, Western University 2011 – 2018.

Member, Advisory Board, Canadian Unit of the International Network of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, 2011 – 2013.

Collaborator on CIHR-grant on Integrity in Clinical Research in Canada (Principal Investigator Dr. Paula Rochon, EIC-77338) 2006-2010.

NCEHR Educational Site Visit Surveyor (confidential peer assessment for REBs) 2005 - 2009.

Member of University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics CORE Network, (JCB member hospital ethicists working in Clinical, Organizational and Research Ethics), 2007 – present.

Member of University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics (RE)² Group, (Research and Education in Research Ethics), 2008 - 2010.

Educator Experience

Adjunct Professor, Dept. of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, Western University, London, Ontario. (2011 – 2015)

Prepared curriculum and taught ethics modules of St. Joseph's Catholic Mission Leadership course (2011 – present)

Supervised post-graduate ethics fellows (C. Gee 2018, R. Fernandez 2013, A. Porter 2012).

Supervised students in their practicum course at the undergraduate level at Western University (V. Moore 2016, I. Sapru 2015, L. Turner 2012, V. Sjolín 2011).

Jointly supervised the U of T JCB Ethics Fellowship students during their rotation at Toronto Rehab (J. Bell 2007, V. Seavilleklein 2008, K. Reel 2008, N. Wijeratne 2009).

Supervised an international Masters U of T JCB student for practicum course (C. Sappor 2010).

Organized educational initiatives for researchers and REB members (St. Michael's Hospital) such as monthly speakers' series on emerging issues, in-house course in Good Clinical Practice guidelines, regional conference of the National Council on Ethics in Human Research.

Organized and taught half-day course in Health Canada Clinical Trial Regulations.

Prepared curriculum and presented Responsible Conduct of Research.

Presented regularly on St. Michael's Hospital research monitoring program, such as Health Canada consultation meetings, annual conference of National Council on Ethics in Human Research, as well as to various Canadian Research Ethics Boards.

Coordinated an external assessment of the St. Michael's Hospital Research Ethics Board, through a site visit from the National Council on Ethics in Human Research.

Languages

- English: native tongue, excellent spoken and written communications.
- French: Diplôme d'Etudes en Langue Française DELF B2, intermediate spoken and written communications.
- Dutch: intermediate spoken and beginner written communications.
- Spanish: beginner spoken and written communications.

Other Achievements

- From Speaker to Trainer certificate, Toastmasters Centre for Excellence in Leadership and Communication, April 2002.
- Co-chair of Toronto City Cycling Committee, 1998-2001.