

The Center for Ethics in Health Care

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**The Madeline Brill Nelson
Speaker Series in Ethics Education**
as part of the DOM Grand Rounds

Doing Better Together: Communication & Serious Illness

Tuesday, March 5, 2019

8:00 - 9:00 am

OHSU Marquam Hill
University Hospital; Auditorium 8b60

Anthony Back, M.D.

OBJECTIVES

1. Discuss the current climate and pitfalls in the care of individuals living with serious illness.
2. Identify skills to improve outcomes for individuals living with serious illness.
3. Describe our role in improving care for individuals living with serious illness.

For additional information, or to view the talk using the live web link, search
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OUR SPEAKERS



Anthony Back, M.D.

Dr. Back is a board certified physician at Colorectal Services at University of Washington Medical Center, co-director of the UW Center for Excellence in Palliative Care and a UW professor of Oncology and Medicine and an adjunct professor of Bioethics and Humanities. Dr. Back studies patient-clinician communication and interventions to make clinicians more effective. Dr. Back earned his M.D. at Harvard. He is triple board certified in Hospice and Palliative Medicine, Medical Oncology and General Internal Medicine. He was the principal investigator for the Oncotalk interventions, co-wrote *Mastering Communication with Seriously Ill Patients*, released the first iPhone app for clinician communication skills and is a Contemplative Studies Fellow of the Mind and Life Institute.



Katie Stowers, D.O.

Dr. Stowers is a palliative medicine physician and assistant professor of medicine at Oregon Health and Science University (OHSU) and the Portland VA Health Care System. Dr. Stowers attended Nova Southeastern University College of Osteopathic Medicine, The Ohio State University Internal Medicine Residency, and The Ohio State University Hospice and Palliative Medicine Fellowship. Dr. Stowers is the program director for the OHSU hospice and palliative medicine fellowship program. Dr. Stowers specializes in teaching serious illness communication skills, and is a faculty leader in VitalTalk, a nationally recognized organization teaching clinicians to communicate compassionately with seriously ill individuals.