

Curriculum Vitae

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Director, Education and Practice, Joint Centre for Bioethics
Assistant Professor, Department of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy
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Cross-Appointments:

Department of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation
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A. Date prepared: November 2011

B. Formal Education:

- 2001 **Ph.D.**, University of Toronto (Philosophy and Collaborative Program in Bioethics)
Title: *Medico-Legal Jurisdiction over Human Decision-making: A Philosophical Constructionist Analysis of Mental Competence*
Supervisor: Professor William Harvey
- 1993 **M.A.**, Simon Fraser University (Philosophy)
Thesis: *Mental Competency and the Autonomy of Patients*
Supervisor: Professor Susan Wendell
- 1991 **B.A.**, University of Toronto (Philosophy)
Degree granted "with high distinction"

C. Appointments and Employment History

- 2010-present **Associate Member** (cross-appointment), Lawrence S. Bloomberg Faculty of Nursing, University of Toronto
- 2009-present **Director, Education and Practice**, Joint Centre for Bioethics, University of Toronto
- 2009-present **Associate Member** (cross-appointment), Institute of Medical Science, University of Toronto
- 2009-present **Director**, Master of Health Science (Bioethics) Program, Institute of Medical Science, University of Toronto
- 2007-present **Assistant Professor** and **Associate Member** (cross-appointment), Department of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation, University of Toronto
- 2007-present **Director**, Academic Fellowship in Clinical and Organizational Ethics, Joint Centre for Bioethics, University of Toronto

2005-present	Director , Collaborative Program in Bioethics, School of Graduate Studies, University of Toronto
2005-present	Director , Clinical, Organizational and Research Ethics (CORE) Network (formerly the Clinical Ethics Group), Joint Centre for Bioethics, University of Toronto
2004-present	Associate Member (cross-appointment), Graduate Department of Rehabilitation Science, University of Toronto
2003-present	Assistant Professor (status-only from 2003-2008), Department of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto
1998-2008	Pillar Leader, Ethics and Spiritual Care (2005-2008); Bioethicist (1998-2005), Toronto Rehabilitation Institute, and University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics

D. Honours

a. Appointments of distinguished councils

b. Distinguished awards including scholarships

Graduate scholarships and fellowships

1997-98	Queen Elizabeth II Ontario Graduate Scholarship
1994-97	Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Doctoral Fellowship (SSHRCC)
1993-94	Ontario Graduate Scholarship
1992-93	Simon Fraser University Graduate Fellowship
1991-92	Simon Fraser University Special Graduate Entrance Scholarship Simon Fraser University Graduate Fellowship

Awards for research in bioethics

1996-97	<u>Canadian Bioethics Society Student Award</u> (awarded to "Power, Politics and Ethics in Assessing Patient Competence: Gender, and the Social Construction of Decisional Competence") <u>George Paxton Young Memorial Prize in Philosophy</u> , Graduate Department of Philosophy, University of Toronto (awarded to "Destroying the Power/Right to Decide: The Gender Politics of Incompetence Labelling," for scholastic achievement)
1995-96	<u>George Paxton Young Memorial Prize in Philosophy</u> , Graduate Department of Philosophy, University of Toronto (awarded to "The Appearance of Kant's Deontology in Contemporary Kantianism: Concepts of Patient Autonomy in Bioethics," for scholastic achievement) <u>Canadian Bioethics Society Student Award</u> (awarded to "The Will to Live or the Living Will? Ontario's New Legislation and the Status of Mentally Incapable Persons' Current Wishes with Respect to Treatment")

1994-95 Martha Lile Love Essay Award, Graduate Department of Philosophy, University of Toronto (awarded to "Women, Health Care, and the Social Construction of Mental (In)competence," for top graduate student paper in 1993-94)

Undergraduate scholarships and awards

1990-91 Walter T. Brown Scholarship, Victoria College, University of Toronto
 Maria Janes Scholarship, Victoria College, University of Toronto
 University of Toronto Pearson General Proficiency Scholarship
 University of Toronto John MacDonald Scholarship in Philosophy

1988-91 University of Toronto Faculty Scholar Certificate (awarded each year)

E. Professional Affiliations and Activities

a. Editor of journal, academic organizations

b. Memberships in professional associations

- American Society for Bioethics and Humanities
- Association of Bioethics Program Directors
- Canadian Bioethics Society
- International Association of Bioethics
- International Network on Feminist Approaches to Bioethics

Reviewer for Journals and Granting Agencies

- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC)
- BMC Medical Ethics (BioMed Central)

F. Creative Professional Activities

a. Research endeavors

i. Subjects of interest and activity

Bioethics; global mental health ethics; physical rehabilitation and disability ethics; organizational ethics; social justice and priority setting for people with disabilities and chronic illnesses; client autonomy; client decision-making capacity and informed consent; advance care planning; ethics program development, service delivery and evaluation.

b. Research awards

ii. Grants, contracts, fellowships

2011	\$24,940	Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), Meetings, Planning and Dissemination Grant. Collaborator. Classen, C. C. (PI). Topic: <i>Improving Healthcare Delivery by Improving Health Providers' Knowledge of Interpersonal Trauma.</i> Meeting of national and international experts (June 1-2, 2012) to form an interdisciplinary research team to develop the initial phase of a project on self-
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assessment for healthcare providers concerning their gender-sensitive and culturally-attuned knowledge about interpersonal trauma and trauma-informed care.

2011	\$24,855	Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), Meetings, Planning and Dissemination Grant. Collaborator. Frolic, A (PI). Topic: Practicing Healthcare Ethicists Exploring Professionalization (PHEEP) national symposium (May-June 2011) to develop consensus around a conceptual framework and deliberative engagement process for developing practice standards for Canadian practicing healthcare ethicists.
2009-11	\$98,611	Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), Co-Investigator. Gibson, J (PI), Faith, K, Frolic, A, Secker, B , Upshur, R and Winsor, S. (Co-Investigators). Topic: <i>Evaluating the effectiveness of hospital-based ethics programs: a pilot study to identify key benchmarks, indicators, and success factors</i>
2008-10	\$ 92,144	Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), Co-Principal Investigator (Named). Secker, B. and Gibson, B. (Co-PIs) and Parke, B. and Wagner, F. (Co-Investigators). Topic: <i>There's No Place Like Home: What Constitutes an 'Adequate' Home Environment for Younger Adults with Physical Disabilities?</i>
2007-09	\$133,380	Canadian Patient Safety Institute (\$66,640) with matching funds from Toronto Rehab (\$66,4640)., Co-Applicant #1. Tardif, G. and Baker, R. (Co-Leads), Secker, B., Velji, K., Fancott, C., Aimone, E., Bolt, L. Topic: <i>Partnering with Patients and Families to Address Potential Conflicts between Patient Safety and Patient Autonomy in Rehabilitation and Complex Continuing Care</i>
2003-05	\$ 23,355	Associated Medical Services, Inc., Co-Investigator. DuVal, G. (PI), Brands, B., Lavery, J., Secker, B. Topic: <i>Informed Consent to Drug Treatment Research: A Pilot Qualitative Study</i>
2002-05	\$85,000	University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics, Co-Investigator. Upshur, R (PI) and the UofT Joint Centre for Bioethics Clinical Ethics Group. Topic: <i>Project Examining Effectiveness in Clinical Ethics (PEECE)</i>
2004-05	\$10,000	University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics, Project Leader with the JCB Rehab and Community Care Ethics Research Group. Topic: <i>Health Care Regionalization and Implications for People with Disabilities and Chronic Illnesses</i>

G. Publications

- 2011 Gibson BE, **Secker B**, Rolfe D, Wagner F, Parke B, Mistry, B. Disability and Dignity-Enabling Home Environments. *Social Science & Medicine* (forthcoming; ref: SSM-D-10-02357).
- 2006 **Secker B**, Goldenberg MJ, Gibson BE, Wagner F, Parke B, Breslin J, Thompson A, Lear JR, Singer PA. Just regionalisation: Rehabilitating care for people with disabilities and chronic illnesses. *BiomedCentral Medical Ethics* 7:9. <http://www.biomedcentral.com/1472-6939/7/9/abstract>
- 2005 Sue MacRae, Paula Chidwick, Scott Berry, **Barbara Secker**, Philip Hébert, Randi Zlotnik Shaul and Karen Faith. "Clinical Bioethics Integration, Sustainability and Accountability: The Hub-and-Spokes Strategy," *Journal of Medical Ethics* 31: 256-61. <http://jme.bmjournals.com/cgi/content/full/31/5/256?maxtoshow=&HITS=10&hits=10&RESULTFORMAT=&author1=macrae&andorexactfulltext=and&searchid=1&FIRSTINDEX=0&sortspec=relevance&resourcetype=HWCIT>
- 2002 **Secker B**. "The Appearance of Kant's Deontology in Contemporary Kantianism: Concepts of Patient Autonomy in Bioethics," **Reprinted** in *Applied Ethics: Critical Concepts in Philosophy*, edited by Ruth Chadwick and Doris Schroeder (London: Routledge), pp. 117-139.
- 1999 **Secker B**. "Labelling Patient (In)competence: A Feminist Analysis of Medico-Legal Discourse," *Journal of Social Philosophy*. XXX(2), Summer 1999: pp. 295-314.
- Secker B**. "The Appearance of Kant's Deontology in Contemporary Kantianism: Concepts of Patient Autonomy in Bioethics," *The Journal of Medicine and Philosophy* 24(1), February 1999: pp. 43-66.

Manuscripts

- 2011 Barbara E Gibson, **Barbara Secker**, Debbie Rolfe, Frank Wagner, Bob Parke, Bhavnita Mistry. *Disability and Dignity-Enabling Home Environments: Key Messages from an Ontario Study* (white paper), University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics.
- 2005 **Barbara Secker**, Frank Wagner, Maya Goldenberg, Barbara Gibson, Bob Parke, Jonathan Breslin, Alison Thompson, Jonathan Lear and Peter A. Singer. 2005. *Ethics of LHINs: Implications for People with Disabilities and Chronic Illnesses* (white paper), University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics.

In progress

- Cline C, **Secker B**. "Educating and Training Practicing Healthcare Ethicists: Current "State of the Art" and Future Directions." For special issue of *HEC Forum--Canadian Perspectives on the Professionalization of Health Care Ethicists* (working title) (forthcoming fall 2012).
- Classen CC, **Secker B**. "The Professional, Ethical, and Socio-Political Imperative of Trauma-Informed Care."

H. Presentations and Special Lectures

a. Papers presented at meetings and symposia (refereed)

- 2011 **Secker, B** (presenter), Gibson, BE, Rolfe, D, Wagner, F, Parke, B, Mistry, B. "Excellence in Health Care and Excellent Health? Understanding 'Home' as a Social Determinant of Health for Younger Disabled Adults," 22nd Canadian Bioethics Society Conference, Saint John, NB, June 2011.
- Secker, B**, Daou, J, and Rodrigues, K (presenters) on behalf of Winsor, S, Anstey, K, Bean, S, Bruni, B, Macri, R, McDonald, M and **Secker, B** for the University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics CORE Network Ethics Consult Documentation Task Force, "What Counts as Best Practice in Documenting Ethics Consultations?," 22nd Canadian Bioethics Society Conference, Saint John, NB, June 2011.
- 2009 Cline, C., Frolic A., Heesters A. and **Secker, B**. "New Developments in Clinical Ethics Profession-Building," Pre-Conference Workshop on "Professional Issues In Clinical Ethics: Working Conditions and Professionalization," 20th Canadian Bioethics Society Conference, Hamilton, Canada, June 2009. (**Co-organizer, panelist and facilitator.**)
- 2008 **Secker, B.** and Stanisic, K. "The Moral Imperative of a Truly Patient-/Family-Centred Bioethics" 19th Canadian Bioethics Society Conference, St. John's, Canada, June 2008.
- 2007 **Secker, B.** and Wagner, F. "Just Regionalization: Rehabilitating Care for People with Disabilities and Chronic Illnesses," Joint Ethics Conference 2007 (18th Canadian Bioethics Society Conference and the 3rd International Conference on Clinical Ethics and Consultation), Toronto, Canada, June 2007.
- Wagner, F., Pape, D., Russell, B., **Secker, B.** and Sasaki, K. "Enhancing Health Care Providers' Core Competencies in Ethics: Educational Modules of Ethics Awareness, Imagination and Reasoning," Joint Ethics Conference 2007 (18th Canadian Bioethics Society Conference and the 3rd International Conference on Clinical Ethics and Consultation), Toronto, Canada, June 2007.
- Secker, B.**, Sasaki, K., and Lordly, R. "Improving Patient Care Through Clinical and Organizational Ethics Innovation: A Revitalized Decentralized Ethics Program for an Academic Rehabilitation Centre," 2007 RehabNet Conference, Toronto, Canada, June 2007.
- Secker, B.** "Just Regionalization: Rehabilitating Care for People with Disabilities and Chronic Illnesses," 2007 RehabNet Conference, Toronto, Canada, June 2007.
- 2005 "Improving Patient Care through Clinical Ethics Innovation: A Revitalized Ethics Program for an Academic Rehabilitation Centre," with Karima Velji and Sue MacRae, RehabNet Conference, Ottawa, June 2005.
- "Less Acute, Just as Critical: Defining Ethical Issues in Rehab and Complex Continuing Care," with Cheryl Cline, 2nd International Conference on Clinical Ethics Consultation, Basel, Switzerland, March 2005.
- "Clinical Bioethics Integration, Sustainability and Accountability: Hub-and-Spokes Strategy," with members of Joint Centre for Bioethics Clinical Ethics Group, 2nd International Conference on Clinical Ethics Consultation, Basel, Switzerland, March 2005.
- 2004 "Less Acute, Just as Critical: Defining Ethical Issues in Rehab and Complex Continuing Care," with Cheryl Cline, 7th World Congress of Bioethics, International Association of Bioethics, Sydney,

Australia, November 2004

"Less Acute, Just as Critical: Defining Ethical Issues in Rehab and Complex Continuing Care," with Cheryl Cline, Canadian Bioethics Society annual conference, Calgary, October 2004

"Clinical Bioethics Integration, Sustainability and Accountability: Hub-and-Spokes Strategy," with members of Joint Centre for Bioethics Clinical Ethics Group, Canadian Bioethics Society annual conference, Calgary, October 2004

"Improving Patient Care through Clinical Ethics Innovation: A Revitalized Ethics Program for an Academic Rehabilitation Centre," with Karima Velji and Sue MacRae, GTA Rehab Network Best Practices Day, Toronto, February 2004

- 2002 "Mental Capacity and Its Assessment: Special Challenges for Psychiatry," workshop with Drs. Gordon DuVal and Mona Gupta, Canadian Bioethics Society Annual Conference, Victoria, October 2002
- 2001 "The Causal Social Construction of Mental Incompetence: A Typology, Case Study and Proposal," Canadian Bioethics Society Annual Conference, Winnipeg, October 2001;
also presented at:
- International Congress on Law and Mental Health, Montréal, July 2001
 - "A Not So Kind of Gentle World": Ethical Issues in Disability and Aging, Chicago, June 2001
 - Gender and Disability Studies Conference, Rutgers's University, New Brunswick, NJ, 2001
- 2000 "A Feminist Social Constructionist Philosophy of Mental (In)competence," Feminist Utopias: An International Feminist Conference, Toronto, November 2000
- "A Social Constructionist Philosophy of Mental (In)competence," (part of panel "It's All in Your Head: Gendered Social Constructions of Three Diagnostic Categories" with Licia Carlson and Kathryn Morgan), 5th World Congress of Bioethics, Feminist Approaches to Bioethics, London, UK, September 2000
- 1999 "Individual Autonomy and the Medicalization of Decision-making," (part of a panel on "Women's Bodies, Medicalization, and Feminist Medicine," with Laura Purdy, Rosemarie Tong, and Virginia Warren), North American Society for Social Philosophy, Eastern Division American Philosophical Association annual conference, Boston, December 1999
- "Medico-legal Jurisdiction over Mental Competence," International Association of Law and Mental Health, Toronto, June 1999
- 1998 "Medico-legal Jurisdiction over Mental Competence: A Feminist Critique of the Medicalization of Decision-Making," Canadian Bioethics Society 10th Annual Conference, Toronto, October 1998; *also accepted but not presented for:* International Network on Feminist Approaches to Bioethics, in conjunction with the Fourth World Congress of the International Association of Bioethics, Tokyo, Japan, November 1998
- 1996 "Destroying the Power/Right to Decide: The Gender Politics of Incompetence Labelling," Conference on Feminist Approaches to Bioethics, in conjunction with the Third International Congress of the International Association of Bioethics, San Francisco, November 1996; **also presented at:**
- International Teaching to Promote Women's Health Conference, Toronto, June 1996
 - International Social Philosophy Conference, De Pere, Wisconsin, August 1996

- "Power, Politics and Ethics in Assessing Patient Competence: Gender, and the Social Construction of Decisional Competence," Canadian Bioethics Society 8th Annual Conference, Montréal, October 1996
- "Women, Health Care, and the Social Construction of Mental (In)competence," Incorporating the Antibody: Women, History, and Medical Discourse Conference, London, Ontario, October 1996
- "What Constitutes an Adequate Health Care Ethics for Women? Feminine Versus (?) Feminist Standpoint Theory," (co-presented with Professor K. Morgan), International Teaching to Promote Women's Health Conference, Toronto, June 1996
- "The Will to Live or the Living Will? Ontario's New Legislation and the Status of Mentally Incapable Persons' Current Wishes with Respect to Treatment," 7th Annual Canadian Bioethics Society Conference, Vancouver, November 1995
- "Bioethics Admits the Ethic of Care: A Feminist Analysis of Strategic Assimilation and Methodological Relativism in Contemporary Bioethics," Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy Annual Conference, London, Ontario, November 1995
- "Eliminating the Power/Right to Consent: The Gender Politics of Incompetence Labelling," National Women's Studies Association Annual Conference, Norman, Oklahoma, June 1995
- "The Appearance of Kant's Deontology in Contemporary Kantianism: Concepts of Patient Autonomy in Bioethics," Canadian Philosophical Association, Learned Societies Conference, Montréal, June 1995
- 1994 "Women, Health Care, and the Social Construction of Mental Competency," Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy (at the Canadian Philosophical Association), Learned Societies Conference, Calgary, June 1994
- "Women and the Social Construction of Mental Competency," Women's Health: Key Research and Health Care Issues--A National Multidisciplinary Conference, Faculty of Health Sciences, McMaster University, Hamilton, April 1994
- 1993 "Feminism and Community: A Critical Analysis of Friedman's Alternative Model of 'Dislocated' Community," Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy (at the Canadian Philosophical Association), Learned Societies Conference, Ottawa, May 1993
- 1991 "The Criminal Law and Battered Women: A Critical Commentary on the Supreme Court of Canada's Decision in *R. v. Lavallee*," Canadian Society for Women in Philosophy, Winnipeg, September 1991

b. Invited lectures

- 2010 "Some Like It *Not*: Ethical Challenges in Enabling Human Intimacy and Sexuality in Medical Care Settings," Bioethics Grand Rounds, Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, December 2010
- "Integrating Normative Ethical Analysis and Qualitative Inquiry: Experience in a CIHR Study of 'Adequate' Home Environments for Disabled Younger Adults" (with Dr. Barbara Gibson), Child Health Evaluative Sciences Rounds, Research Institute, Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, November 2010
- "There's No Place Like Home: What Constitutes an 'Adequate' Home Environment for Younger Adults with Physical Disabilities?" (with Dr. Barbara Gibson), Joint Centre for Bioethics Seminar Series, University of Toronto, March 2010.

- 2009 "Less Acute, Just as Critical: Ethical Issues in Rehabilitation," Unit 5, MHSc (PT) Program, Physical Therapy Department, University of Toronto, August 2009.
- "Practicing Healthcare Ethicists and the Question of Professionalization" (Panelist), MSC3004Y Clinical Ethics Consultation and Committees, MHSc in Bioethics Program, University of Toronto, April 2009
- "Ethical Challenges in Consent and Capacity: Case Studies," Lakehead University, Thunder Bay, March 2009.
- "Ethical Processes and Assessment," Ethics Committee, Southlake Regional Health Centre, Newmarket, March 2009.
- 2008 "Challenges in Consent and Capacity: Case Studies," Ethics for Lunch, Kingston General Hospital, Kingston, December 2008.
- "Ethical Reasoning and Justification," Ethics Forum, Credit Valley Hospital, Mississauga, November 2008.
- "Ethical Processes and Assessment," Ethics Forum, Credit Valley Hospital, Mississauga, November 2008.
- "Challenges in Consent and Capacity: Case Studies," Ethics Grand Rounds, Credit Valley Hospital, Mississauga, October 2008.
- "Less Acute, Just as Critical: Ethical Issues in Rehabilitation," Unit 5, MHSc (PT) Program, Physical Therapy Department, University of Toronto, August 2008.
- "There's No Place Like Home: Ethics Research and Advocacy to Improve Discharge Planning/Placement and Quality of Life" (with Barbara Gibson), Ethics Grand Rounds, Toronto Rehabilitation Institute, Toronto, May 2008.
- "Ethical Decisions in Day to Day Practice" (panelist with Dianne Godkin and Doreen Ouellet), Ontario Association of Rehabilitation Nurses, Toronto, February 2008.
- 2007 **Keynote speaker**, "Challenges in Consent and Capacity: Case Studies," Ethics Week, Ethics Program, Trillium Health Centre, Mississauga, Ontario, November 2007.
- "Just Regionalization: Rehabilitating Care for People with Disabilities and Chronic Illnesses," Neuropsychiatry Rounds, Department of Psychiatry, Toronto Western Hospital, University Health Network, Toronto, November 2007.
- "Less Acute, Just as Critical: Ethical Issues in Rehabilitation," Unit 5, MHSc (PT) Program, Physical Therapy Department, University of Toronto, November 2007.
- 2006 "Ethics of LHINs: Implications for People with Disabilities and Chronic Illnesses" (panelist), Brave New LHINs--Meeting Priority Needs of People Living with a SCI, 2nd National Spinal Cord Injury Conference, Toronto, October 2006.
- "Ethical Issues in Rehabilitation" (with Barbara Gibson), Unit 5, MHSc (PT) Program, Physical Therapy Department, University of Toronto, October 2006.
- "Ethics Committees: Mandate, Membership and Momentum," Clinical Ethics Summer Institute. University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics, July 2006.

- "Privacy and Confidentiality" (with Gaetan Tardif and Walt Greenway), for Physiatry Residents Forum, Toronto Rehab/University of Toronto, June 2006.
- "Clinical Bioethics Integration, Sustainability and Accountability: The Hub-and-Spokes Strategy," Symposium on Moral Theory and Health Care Practice, National University of Ireland, Galway, March 2006.
- "Teaching for Ethical Practice" (panelist), Symposium on Moral Theory and Health Care Practice, National University of Ireland, Galway, March 2006.
- "Think Tank on Ethics for Local Health Integration Networks (LHINs)" (invited guest participant), Health Results Team, System Integration (LHINs), Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, Toronto, February 2006.
- "Ethical Decision Making: Walking the Tight Rope in Rehabilitation Care...Continuing the Dialogue" (panelist), Ontario Association of Rehabilitation Nurses, Toronto, February 2006.
- "Patient Sexuality in Continuing Care Contexts" (with Cheryl Cline), Ethics Grand Rounds, St. Joseph's Health Care, London, Ontario, January 2006.
- 2005 "Ethics of LHINs: Implications for People with Disabilities and Chronic Illnesses" (with Frank Wagner), University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics Seminar Series, November 2005.
- "Ethical Issues in Rehabilitation," Unit 5, MHSc (PT) Program, Physical Therapy Department, University of Toronto, October 2005.
- "Ethics of LHINs: Implications for People with Disabilities and Chronic Illnesses" (with Frank Wagner), Community Ethics Network Forum, Toronto, October 2005.
- "Patient Sexuality in Continuing Care Contexts," 2nd Canadian National Undergraduate Bioethics Conference, Toronto, February 2005.
- "Less Acute, Just as Critical: Defining Ethics Issues in Rehab and Complex Continuing Care Ethics," N460 Rehabilitation Nursing, Faculty of Nursing, University of Toronto, February 2005
- "Ethical Decision Making: Walking the Tightrope in Rehabilitation Care," panelist for Ontario Association of Rehabilitation Nurses annual conference, Toronto, January 2005
- 2004 "Patient Sexuality in Rehab and Continuing Care," Joint Centre for Bioethics Undergraduate Initiative, Toronto, October 2004
- "Less Acute, Just as Critical: Defining Ethics Issues in Rehab and Complex Continuing Care Ethics," Ethics Grand Rounds, Centre for Clinical Ethics, Providence Centre, Toronto, February 2004
- "Capacity and Consent," OCT1121H Occupational Therapy Practice 2, Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Toronto, February 2004
- "Less Acute, Just as Critical: Defining Ethics Issues in Rehab and Complex Continuing Care Ethics," N460 Rehabilitation Nursing, Faculty of Nursing, University of Toronto, February 2004
- 2003 "Clinical Ethics Consultation in Rehab and Continuing Care," MSC3004Y Clinical Ethics Consultation and Committees, MHSc in Bioethics, University of Toronto, September 2003

- Keynote speaker**, "Building Their Tomorrows Together: Tackling Ethics Issues in Pediatric Rehabilitation," Ontario Association of Children's Rehabilitation Services OACRS 2003 Conference, Toronto, October 2003
- "Capacity and Consent in Data Linkage Research," Conference: Research Ethics in Complex Continuing Care: Toward an Ethical Process For Data Linkage Research, University of Toronto, October 2003
- "Capacity and Consent," Core Resident Integrated Scholarly Program (CRISP) PGY1, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto, October 2003
- "What Does a Clinical Ethicist Do Anyway?," Joint Centre for Bioethics Summer Student Group, University of Toronto, July 2003
- "Clinical Ethics Consultation in Rehab and Continuing Care," MSC3004Y Clinical Ethics Consultation and Committees, MHSc in Bioethics, University of Toronto, March 2003
- "Capacity and Consent," PHL283H5S Medicine, Morality and the Law, Department of Philosophy, University of Toronto, March 2003
- "Capacity and Consent," OCT1121H Occupational Therapy Practice 2, Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Toronto, January 2003
- "Capacity, Consent and Cultural Pluralism," Everyday Ethics, Hospital for Sick Children, January 2003
- 2002 "Women's Health and Feminist Bioethics," MSC3001Y Foundations Seminar I, MHSc in Bioethics, University of Toronto, November 2002
- "Less Acute, Just as Critical: Defining Issues in Rehab and Continuing Care Ethics," Grand Rounds, Bloorview MacMillan Children's Centre, June 2002
- "Why Do We Have the Ethics Review Process?" Panel discussion on The Ethics Review Process, Collaborative Research Program in Rehabilitation and Long Term Care, Toronto, June 2002
- "Capacity and Consent," OCT1121H Occupational Therapy Practice 2, Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Toronto, March 2002
- "Clinical Ethics Consultation," MSC3004Y Clinical Ethics Consultation and Committees, MHSc in Bioethics, University of Toronto, February 2002
- "Capacity and Consent," PHL283H5S Medicine, Morality and the Law, Department of Philosophy, University of Toronto, January 2002
- "Women's Health and Feminist Bioethics," MSC3001Y Foundations Seminar I, MHSc in Bioethics, University of Toronto, January 2002
- 2001 "Less Acute, Just as Critical: Defining Issues in Rehab and Continuing Care Ethics," Bioethics Seminar Series, University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics, November 2001
- "Capacity, Consent and Cultural Pluralism," Medical Grand Rounds, Toronto Western Hospital, University Health Network, November 2001

- "Informed Consent for Special Populations," Research Ethics and Regulatory Affairs course, Mohawk McMaster Institute of Applied Health Sciences, Hamilton, October 2001 (with Cathy Craven), October 2001
- "Women's Health and Feminist Bioethics," International Medical Graduate Program, Toronto, April 2001
- "Capacity and Consent," OCT101H Professional Issues, Department of Occupational Therapy, University of Toronto, March 2001
- "Women's Health," MSC3001 Foundations I Seminar, University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics, February 2001
- 2000 "Developing and Ethics Framework in Your Institution," and "Ethics: Case Studies," RehabNet National Conference, Mont Tremblant, Québec, June 2000
- "Ethical Challenges in Obtaining Informed Consent for Research in Rehab and Complex Continuing Care" (with Heather Campbell), Brown Bag Ethics Series, University of Toronto Research Services, Toronto, May 2000
- "The Right Frame of Mind: A Philosophical Typology of the Social Construction of Mental (In)competence," Department of Philosophy, University of Toronto, March 2000
- "The Experience of Designing an Advance Care Planning Approach: How to Plug It Into Practice" (with Heather Campbell and Lew Bowles), Advance Care Planning: Ethics, Policy and Practice conference, Toronto Rehabilitation Institute and the Ontario Seniors' Secretariat, Toronto, Ontario, February 2000
- "Ethical Issues in Rehab and Complex Continuing Care," Ethics Committee Network of South-Central Ontario, Toronto, January 2000
- 1999 "An Ethical Framework for Toronto Rehab's Advance Directive Initiative," CQI Network, Toronto, November 1999
- "What's Unique about Ethical Issues in Rehab and Complex Continuing Care?," Ethics Grand Rounds (separate presentations to each of The University Centre, The Queen Elizabeth Centre, The Hillcrest Centre, and The Lyndhurst and Rumsey Centres), October 1999
- "A Feminist Analysis of Mental Competence," PHL383 Ethics and Mental Health, Department of Philosophy, University of Toronto, October 1999
- "Competence and Consent," PGY2 Ethics and Psychiatry, Department of Psychiatry and Centre for Addition and Mental Health, April 1999
- "Rehabilitation Ethics," MSC1052 Clinical Ethics, University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics, March 1999
- "A Feminist Social-Constructionist Analysis of Mental Competence," Equity Studies class, New College, University of Toronto, February 1999
- 1998 "The Will to Live, or the Living Will?," Department of Philosophy and Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Western Ontario, February 1998
- 1997 **Keynote Speaker**, "Gender and Justice in Assessing Patient Competence: Challenges to Current Theories and Practices," Health Ethics Law and Policy Research Group, Institute of Social

- Change and Critical Inquiry, University of Wollongong, Australia, September 1997
- "Labelling Patient (In)competence: A Feminist Analysis of Medico-Legal Discourse," Centre for the Mind, Australian National University, September 1997
- "An Introduction to Mental Competence and Consent," nursing ethics course, University of Wollongong, Australia, September 1997
- "Mental Competence: A Feminist Analysis," Bioethics Plenary Session panel on *Interdisciplinary Approaches to Research on Informed Consent and Capacity*, Institute of Medical Science Scientific Day, University of Toronto, May 1999
- "Power, Politics and Ethics in Assessing Patient Competence: Gender and the Social Construction of Mental (In)competence," Women's Health Research Network, University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics, March 1997
- 1996 "Power, Politics and Ethics in Assessing Patient Competence: Gender and the Social Construction of Mental (In)competence," Consent and Capacity Research Network, University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics, December 1996
- 1995 "Women, Health Care, and the Social Construction of Mental (In)competence," Centre for Bioethics, University of Toronto, October 1995
- "Women, Health Care, and the Social Construction of Mental (In)competence," special presentation of paper winning Martha Lile Love Essay Award, Department of Philosophy, University of Toronto, September 1995
- "An Introduction to Ethical Theory," invited lecturer in advanced law course on legal ethics, Faculty of Law, University of Toronto, January 1995
- 1993 "On the Relationships Between Concepts of Autonomy and Mental Competence," invited lecturer in advanced undergraduate seminar on Competence and Consent, Department of Philosophy, University of Toronto, October 1993
- "Autonomy and Health Care," Graduate Student Philosophy Colloquium, Simon Fraser University, March 1993
- 1992 "A Philosophical Analysis of Some Ethical Issues Surrounding Mental Competency and Its Assessment," Graduate Student Philosophy Colloquium, Simon Fraser University, October 1992
- "The Criminal Law and Battered Women: A Critical Commentary on the Supreme Court of Canada's Decision in *R. v. Lavallee*," Philosophy Students' Union Colloquium, Simon Fraser University, October 1991; *also presented at:* Philosophy Colloquium, Simon Fraser University, September 1991

c. Posters

- 2010 Andreoli, A, Baker, R, **Secker, B.** "Balancing Risk-Taking and Autonomy among Patient, Families and Clinicians during Transitions in Care from Brain Injury Rehabilitation," GTA Rehab Network Annual Conference, March 2010.

I. Committee Involvement

a. National and International

- 2009-present Practicing Healthcare Ethicists Exploring Professionalism (formally affiliated with the Canadian Bioethics Society) (Founding Member)
- 2009-present Association of Bioethics Program Directors (Member)
- 2011-present ABPD-ASBH Joint Taskforce on Accrediting Clinical Ethics Training Programs (Association of Bioethics Program Directors, and American Society for Bioethics and Humanities) (Member)
- 2010-11 Scientific Committee, 7th International Conference on Clinical Ethics and Consultation (ICCEC)

b. University of Toronto

- 1998-present Strategic Forum (2006-present); Advisory Committee (1998-2006), University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics (Member)
- 1998-present Clinical, Organizational and Research Ethics (CORE) Network (formerly the Clinical Ethics Group), University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics (Chair 2005-present; Member 1998-2005)
- 2001-present MHSc in Bioethics Program Committee, University of Toronto (Chair 2009-; Member)
- 2005-present Collaborative Program in Bioethics Executive Committee, University of Toronto (Chair)
- 2005-present Management Team, Joint Centre for Bioethics, University of Toronto (Member)
- 2005-present CORE Network Advisory Committee (formerly Fellowship Advisory Committee), Joint Centre for Bioethics, University of Toronto (Chair 2007-present; Member 2005-07)
- 2007-present Executive Committee, Centre for Ethics, University of Toronto (Member; also Faculty Associate)
- 2008-present Professionalization Working Group, CORE Network, Joint Centre for Bioethics, University of Toronto (Co-Chair 2008-09; Member 2009-present)
- Accreditation Working Group, CORE Network, Joint Centre for Bioethics, University of Toronto (Co-Chair 2008-09; Member 2009-present)
- 2009-present Ethics and Professionalism Committee, Undergraduate Medical Education, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto (Member)
- IMS Curriculum Committee, Institute of Medical Science, University of Toronto (Member).
- 2011-present Joint Centre for Bioethics Education Advisory Committee, University of Toronto (Chair)
- 2005-06 Search Committee, Director, Joint Centre for Bioethics, University of Toronto

(Member)

Search Committee, Bioethicist, Bloorview MacMillan, Toronto Rehab and UofT Joint Centre for Bioethics, Toronto (Chair)

Search Committee, Bioethicist, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health and UofT Joint Centre for Bioethics, Toronto (Member)

2003 Search Committee, Bioethicist, Centre for Clinical Ethics and UofT Joint Centre for Bioethics, Toronto (Member)

1997-98 Search Committee, Bioethics and Genetics, University of Toronto Joint Centre for Bioethics (Member)

c. Toronto Rehabilitation Institute

1998-2008 Advance Care Planning Working Group (Chair 2004-present; Member 1998-2004)

2000-2008 Research Ethics Board, Toronto Rehabilitation Institute (Vice-Chair)

2004-2008 Ethics Forum, Toronto Rehab (Chair)

2006-2008 Capacity and Consent Initiative (Chair)

2000-2003 Intimacy and Personal Relationships Task Force (Co-Chair 2000-03))

2001-2003 Ethics Committee, Toronto Rehab (Chair)

1998-2002 Researchers' Network, Toronto Rehabilitation Institute (Co-Founder and Co-Chair)

1998-2000 Research Subcommittee, Toronto Rehabilitation Institute (Member)