

Portland's Prelude to Seattle Community Conversation: What Would You Do? Personal and community ethics during a disease outbreak

TONIGHT! Tuesday March 3rd from 5:45-7:30PM

Kakao Chocolate+Coffee at 415 Westlake Ave N., Seattle

Dr. Niranjana Bhat, Sr. Clinical Officer at PATH, facilitator

\$5 NWABR members/students and \$10 general admission

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"If we want to build community, then how should we behave to ensure that goal?" For Rev. John Tuohey, PhD, who facilitated our recent Portland event, this is the key to decision making and ethics during a disease outbreak or any other kind of community emergency.

Over pints of craft beer and sensational pizzas, we wrestled with key questions surrounding the current measles cases in the US and the ebola epidemic in West Africa. We learned about some differences between these two viruses. Table conversations ranged from opinions about power, exploitation and consent for unproven ebola treatments to the emotional impact of media coverage of these infections. We explored emergency decision-making criteria developed by Dr. Tuohey in partnership with the Oregon Health Authority. These criteria led us to think about professional duty of medical personnel, the sacrifice of personal liberty to benefit the community, and care for the most vulnerable.

If these dilemmas encourage you to "share ideas and thoughts [allowing us to] grow as individuals and communities," as one participant articulated, then you should JOIN US FOR THE SEATTLE EVENT TONIGHT! Dr. Niranjana Bhat, Senior Clinical Officer at PATH, will facilitate our Conversation.