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5.30 PM – 7 PM

JC 2, Level 1, Sunway University

Conflicts of Care at the End of Life: Japan, the United Kingdom and the United States

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Recent decades have witnessed an outpouring of writings on disease and illness experiences that underscores the urgency of transforming how we treat ourselves, one another and the planet. These writings have called on all parties to embrace empathic, compassionate, and respectful care that facilitates healing and enables wellbeing.

Such narratives provide knowledge that is crucial to countering and preventing tremendous suffering caused by inappropriate treatment, medically and socially. Particularly contentious have been the debates surrounding appropriate care at the end of life.

In this lecture, Professor Thornber will discuss:

- The writings on these debates in Japan, UK and US; and
- Their emphasis on transforming treatment and creating communities of care

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