



Christus Medicus Foundation  
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*Space is limited... register now!*

An educational conference designed to pave the way for:

- Right of conscience protection
- Care consistent with the Ethical and Religious Directives of Catholic Healthcare
- Christ-centered health plans

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# An Integrated and Unified Solution for Catholic Healthcare Reform

**Conference March 29-31, 2012**

The Event Center at St. Mary's Cathedral  
and Hotel Kabuki, San Francisco, California

*Hosted by:*  
Christus Medicus Foundation and  
Life Legal Defense Foundation

*Co-sponsored by:*  
Archdiocese of San Francisco, Diocese of Oakland,  
Diocese of Santa Rosa, Diocese of Sacramento,  
Catholic Medical Association, Pope Paul VI Institute,  
American Academy of Fertility Professionals,  
One More Soul and California Association of NFP

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**Echoing the cry** of the prophet Isaiah (Is 40:3) and John the Baptist (Mt 3:3), we invite you to join us to prepare the way for Christ-centered healthcare in the United States. During this educational conference, we will provide the tools and insights to *Make Straight the Pathway* through convoluted legislation and the challenges of practicing your faith while practicing medicine.

*An Integrated and Unified Solution for Catholic Healthcare Reform*

A distinctive regional Catholic conference for religious and healthcare leaders. The objectives are to equip attendees to:

- ❖ **Advocate** for state and federal public policy that actively protects and promotes religious liberty and individual right of conscience in healthcare and allows all Americans to select qualified health plans that do not violate their religious liberty.
- ❖ **Develop** Culture of Life Primary Care Medical Centers.
- ❖ **Establish** a National Catholic Health Plan that is Christ-centered and consistent with the Ethical and Religious Directives (ERDs) of Catholic Healthcare.

## **Intended Audience**

This regional conference will draw primarily from California. It is intended for: members of the Catholic Medical Association, the Catholic Health Association, state Catholic Conferences, physicians, nurses, healthcare CEOs and administrators, healthcare workers, providers, healthcare consultants, and diocesan leaders. However, leaders from all states are encouraged to attend.

The Archdiocese of San Francisco, and the Dioceses of Oakland, Sacramento and Santa Rosa worked in partnership with the Christus Medicus Foundation, the Life Legal Defense Foundation, One More Soul and the Catholic Medical Association to plan and implement this conference.

The program is being reviewed for CME/CE accreditation.

**In the desert prepare the way of the Lord!  
Make straight in the wasteland a pathway  
for our God!**

ISAIAH 40:3



**Conference Highlights:** Daily Mass ❖ Speakers ❖ Panel Discussions ❖ Workshops ❖ Networking ❖ CME/CE Available

Special Event  
Friday Evening – Hotel Kabuki

Bishop Robert F. Vasa  
Diocese of Santa Rosa

Join Bishop Vasa for dinner and “Giving Poisoned Water to the Thirsty,” an engaging discussion on Healthcare Reform.

Bishop Vasa has vast experience as pastor, teacher, canon lawyer, and bishop of a rural diocese. He is outspoken in his defense of Catholic doctrine and moral teachings, particularly related



to healthcare and the life issues. Bishop Vasa has been affiliated with the Catholic Medical Association as their Episcopal Moderator for more than 10 years and has been outspoken in his conviction that Catholic healthcare needs to be more intentionally Catholic.  
6 p.m. Networking Reception  
7 p.m. Special Banquet

“Health care reform that protects the life and dignity of all, especially the poor and the vulnerable, is a moral imperative and an urgent national priority.”

U.S. Bishops’ Letter to Congress  
March 20, 2010

Hotel Information

We have secured a special conference rate at the Hotel Kabuki, which is walking distance from The Event Center at St. Mary’s Cathedral in San Francisco. Hotel Kabuki provides the perfect harmony of Eastern and Western hospitality. Its unique features include:

- ❖ O Izakaya Lounge which serves Japanese-inspired shared plates and cocktails;

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The conference begins at 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 29, and adjourns after lunch on Saturday, March 31.

Thursday, March 29 ❖ 7-10 p.m.

Welcome  
Networking Reception

Friday, March 30 ❖ 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Protecting Right of Conscience

Speakers

Richard Doerflinger, Associate Director, USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, Washington, DC  
Congressman Jeff Fortenberry, (R-Nebraska)  
William Cox, President and CEO, Alliance of Catholic Health Care, Sacramento, CA  
Ned Dolejsi, Executive Director, California Catholic Conference  
Dana Cody, President & Executive Director, Life Legal Defense Foundation, Napa, CA  
Catherine Short, Life Legal Foundation, Legal Director  
Walter B. Hoye II, Founder & President, Issues4Life Foundation, Union City, CA

During the conference, Thomas McKenna, Founder and President of the St. Gianna Physician’s Guild will present relics of St. Gianna.

Providing Care Consistent with Catholic Teaching

Speakers

Bishop Robert Vasa, Diocese of Santa Rosa, CA  
Gene Diamond, JD, Regional CEO for the Sisters of St. Francis - Northern Indiana Region  
Tim Von Dohlen, Founder, Vitae Clinic, Austin, TX  
George Delgado, MD, Medical Director, Culture of Life Family Services, San Diego, CA  
Michael O’Dea, Founder & Executive Director, Christus Medicus Foundation, Southfield, MI  
John Brehany, PhD, STL, Executive Director, Catholic Medical Association, Bala Cynwyd, PA  
Donald Bouchard, DO, MBA, Metropolitan Enterprises, Inc., Dowagiac, MI

Saturday, March 31 ❖ 8 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Offering NFP and NaPro Technology in Primary Health Care Centers

Speakers

Thomas W. Hilgers, MD, Director, Pope Paul VI Institute, Omaha, NE  
Mary Davenport, MD, President, American Association of Pro-Life Obstetricians & Gynecologists, El Sobrante, CA  
Patrick J. Baggot, MD, West Covina, CA

Christ-centered Health Plans Consistent with the Ethical and Religious Directives of Catholic Healthcare

David Wilson, Consultant to Christus Medicus Foundation and President of Wilson Partners

Located in the heart of San Francisco’s revitalized Japantown, the Hotel Kabuki provides easy access to Union Square, the Golden Gate Bridge, Golden Gate Park, Chinatown and the famed cable cars. The Hotel is easy to reach by car, airport shuttle or public transportation.

The special conference rate of \$159/night is available until March 8, 2012. Reserve your room now by calling (800) 533-4567 or visit www.ChristusMedicus.com for a link to online registration.

Conference Registration

This registration form along with the appropriate registration fee must be returned no later than

March 8, 2012. Attendance is limited; please register early to ensure your participation.

Name\_\_\_\_\_

Title\_\_\_\_\_

Organization\_\_\_\_\_

CME/CE Requested ☐ Yes ☐ No

Address\_\_\_\_\_

City\_\_\_\_\_

State / Zip\_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone\_\_\_\_\_

Email\_\_\_\_\_

Conference

Fee includes reception on Thursday evening, breakfast and lunch on Friday, breakfast and lunch on Saturday.

By March 1:

☐ \$290 ☐ \$50 CME/CE

After March 1:

☐ \$325 ☐ \$50 CME/CE

Special Friday Banquet with Bishop Vasa at Kabuki Hotel

☐ \$125

Total Paid \$\_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to the Life Legal Defense Foundation and mail the completed form to:

Life Legal Defense Foundation  
P.O. Box 2105  
Napa, CA 94558

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Register online: www.ChristusMedicus.com