

Connect with Colleagues at the CBS-SCB Workshop and Community Forum!

What are they?

The **Connect with Colleagues** events are drop-in sessions intended to provide Forum attendees the opportunity to reconnect with old colleagues or acquaintances within the field, or to form new connections with other attendees. There are six **Connect with Colleagues** events scheduled at various times throughout the Workshop and Community Forum.

To help attendees choose which event to attend, each **Connect with Colleagues** event will be associated with a subject area in Bioethics:

Date	Start Time (EST)	Subject Area Highlighted
Monday, May 15 th	3:00pm	Clinical Ethics
Tuesday, May 16 th	10:00am	Public Health and Global Health Ethics
Tuesday, May 16 th	4:00pm	Professional Development in Ethics
Wednesday, May 17 th	10:00am	Organizational and Health System Ethics
Wednesday, May 17 th	5:00pm	Bioethics in Academia
Thursday, May 18 th	10:00am	Research Ethics

*Links to each **Connect with Colleagues** session will be sent to all full Forum registrants.

Individuals may choose to attend a session on a particular topic because they are familiar with the subject area and wish to connect with others who are too, or they may choose to attend because they are unfamiliar, and wish to learn more. Note: discussion of the topic area associated with a particular **Connect with Colleagues** session is not mandatory! Within each session there will be multiple virtual “tables” or gathering areas to allow for discussion on whatever is of interest for session participants.

Who can attend?

Connect with Colleagues sessions are open to everyone who has registered for the Full Workshop and Community Forum (including students).

Participants will be encouraged to speak in whatever language is most comfortable to them. CBS-SCB will aim to have bilingual members in all **Connect with Colleagues** sessions to facilitate participation in both French and English.

How will this work?

Each **Connect with Colleagues** session will be held on a platform called GatherTown and hosted by a CBS Board Member. GatherTown provides a virtual space with multiple gathering areas, which allows attendees to move throughout the space to connect with various other participants. Instructions on how to use GatherTown can be found [here](#). Each **Connect with Colleagues** session will also be supported by Forum Tech support.

Will I be able to know who is planning to attend these sessions in advance? How do I sign up for the session(s) that I am interested in?

You can indicate your intention to attend a session(s) by completing the [Google Form here](#). Signing up in advance allows other Forum participants to be aware of who they may encounter at each **Connection with Colleagues** session.

To see who is attending each session, check the [sign-up sheet here](#) (when you open the document, simply click on the tabs for the six different session along the bottom of the screen).

While we encourage folks to sign up, it is not required to attend.

How do I learn more?

For any further questions about the **Connection with Colleagues** sessions, please e-mail: canadianbioethicssociety@gmail.com

Looking forward to seeing you soon!