

# THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH HUMANITIES & BIOETHICS

## Grand Rounds



## Layers in Communication - Recognition and Handling



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**12:00 - 1:00 pm**

**Large SMD Auditorium**

**2-6424**

Communication skills training requires that the trainee is made aware of the three layers in interaction: the inner *relational* layer with effects of asymmetry, vulnerability, shame, and belonging, the middle *tasks* layer with effects of cognition, information, and structure, and the observable *connecting* layer with effects of details of mindful presence, precise timing, pauses, and formulation.

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