

Fairbanks Lecture Series in Clinical Ethics

An Epidemic of Loneliness



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Objectives:

1. Describe the debilitating effects of loneliness and/ or social isolation on physical, mental and spiritual health.
2. Explore current strategies of Health systems in partnering with congregations and faith-based community groups to address social determinants of health.
3. Introduce IU Health's Congregational Care Network, a pilot project to address loneliness and social isolation through partnering with 10 congregations in Marion and Monroe counties.
4. Use principles of "autonomy" and of "justice" to review and critique IU Health's partnership with congregations to address loneliness and social isolation.

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