Dr. Bernie Garrett – Keynote speaker – Monday, May 25/20

Keynote address title: Nursing Science and Education in the 21st Century: Where do we go from here?

Bio:
Bernie Garrett is an Associate Professor at the University of British Columbia, School of Nursing. He has a range of teaching and clinical experience from medical and acute renal nursing practice in the UK where he was a renal Clinical Nurse Specialist for 15 years before becoming a nurse educator. He holds a PhD in information Science, specializing in education and artificial intelligence, and prior to his current appointment he was a Department Head at Oxford Brookes University School of Health and Social Care in the U.K.

Over most of his career Dr. Garrett's work has focused upon professional education and educational technologies including, intelligent tutoring systems, multimedia-based elearning, eportfolios and simulation. His current work highlights clinical applications of emerging media (virtual and augmented reality), and more recently the philosophy of science and the use of deceptive practices in contemporary healthcare. His work is underpinned by a passion for the philosophy of science and evidence-based practice and he frequently writes on these subjects including his recent graduate textbook: Empirical Nursing, and the Clinical Pocket Reference for Nursing series which has sold over 75,000 copies worldwide.

He was the recipient of the 2007 at the University of British Columbia Spencer Award for Information Technology Innovation, for his work on developing a mobile e-portfolio for students, and the CRNBC Award of Excellence in Nursing Education in 2008, was the Elizabeth Kenny-McCann Nursing Education Scholar at UBC between 2013-2014, and was the National CASN Pat Griffin Nursing Education Scholar for 2014-15. He is also an Inaugural fellow of the Canadian Nurse Educator Institute.