## **WEBINAR**

# An Exploratory Study on Social Work Upstream Interventions for Families Facing or At Risk of Homelessness

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The Next Age Institute (NAI) is a partnership between NUS and Washington University in St. Louis (WUSTL) to study, design, and test social innovations. NAI is guided by the vision of a world where people develop their capabilities and engage with the world across the life course, and where the poorest and oldest are not isolated in hardship. The institute aims to illuminate issues, create and test innovations, build capacity for voice and action, and inform positive and lasting changes, not only in Singapore and the United States but also in other countries in Asia and around the world.

#### **SYNOPSIS**

This webinar presents key findings of an exploratory research study on homelessness prevention using a mixed-method approach, conducted as part of the requirements of a Master of Social Work Capstone Practice Research at the National University of Singapore. The research is supported by AMKFSC Community Services Ltd and the Ministry of Social and Family Development.

The 1st Phase of the research entailed Clinical Data-Mining to explore profile demographics, housing characteristics and service usage patterns of 208 families who were referred to a transitional shelter between April 2019 – March 2021. In the 2nd Phase, findings from the 1st phase were shared with social workers from community and shelter settings through Focus Group Discussions to aid in eliciting their practice insights on appropriate upstream social work interventions (primary prevention) at the community level.

In addition to the key research findings, implications for social work policies and practice will be discussed at this webinar.

## **SPEAKER**



Lyon has experience working at Family Service Centres and Transitional Shelter during her secondments to AMKFSC Community Services Ltd and Montfort Care, under the Sun Ray Scheme of National Council of Social Services. Since the start of her social work journey in 2014, she has been actively involved in developing clinical practices, practice research and sector efforts pertaining to issues of housing and homelessness. Lyon was the recipient of the Promising Social Worker Award 2020. Lyon has recently completed her Masters in Social Work at the National University of Singapore and will be working in the youth mental health setting starting August.

