

A Public Lecture by Professor Ian Shaw, S R Nathan Professor, Department of Social Work, NUS: What is Good Practice Research?



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I have been working in a university most of my career, after five years as a probation officer. My continuing focus on several themes:

- ◆ Understanding the nature of social work as an applied social science in relation to disciplines like sociology
- ◆ The history of social work and research, and in their relations to the social science field.
- ◆ Qualitative research and evaluation methodology
- ◆ Practitioner research
- ◆ The practice/research relationship

I have been involved in three studies of practitioners involved in research. I have also tried to write about the relationship between practice and research. This has been central to my career, and a collection of my previous work published a few years ago was called Practice and Research. You can find the publications that came from these studies by going to my home page at <http://www.york.ac.uk/spsw/staff/ian-shaw/>.

During the time I am here at the National University of Singapore I would be happy to meet with practitioners in Singapore who are thinking of developing proposals to undertake research in association with the university.

ABSTRACT

In the last ten years there has been a growing interest in developing research that has a special relevance to social work practice. In some ways this is not a new question. But it represents attempts to show how social work research has a special or distinctive character. 'Practice research' has interested practitioners and academic faculty in parts of S E Asia, western Europe (especially the Nordic countries and the UK), and in a few areas of the USA. Interest is likely to grow also in Australia and New Zealand. In this year's lecture I will try to answer three questions. What is meant by 'practice research'? Can we identify the characteristics of good practice research? In what ways might practitioners respond to these developments?

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