Strengthening Ethical Reasoning in Social Work Practice

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About the Course

The practice of social work involves ethical decision making. When dealing with an ethical conflict, social workers must determine which ethical principles take precedence, as well as consider client's values, institutional policies and legislations. The profession's Code of Ethics provides guidance for certain contexts but is not designed for complex ethical situations. Instead, social workers must rely on ethical reasoning.

This didactic and interactive course emphasizes ethical reasoning as a cornerstone in social work ethical decision-making. It introduces participants to the theoretical foundation of ethics, and elucidates ethical principles, ethical reasoning and decision-making to arrive at an ethically defensible course of action. Through the use of genuine cases, participants will discern when their personal values interfere with ethical decision-making, and appreciate the tension contemporaneous with ethical dilemmas.

At the end of the course, participants will be able to:

1. Describe key ethical theories.
2. Explain ethical principles and values.
3. Determine the ethical principles that apply in an ethical conflict.
4. Apply the methods in ethical decision-making.

Who Should Attend

This course is designed for professionals in the social service sector.

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About the Trainer

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Dr Crystal Lim is the Clinical Lead of Medical Social Services, Singapore General Hospital (SGH) and Transplant Ethics Lead of SingHealth-Duke NUS Transplant Centre. She serves as a member of SGH Bioethics Committee and NUHS Clinical Ethics Committee. She attained her Ph.D. Social Work and M.A. Bioethics from University of Pittsburgh, and her Master of Social Work from University of Washington. Her clinical experience includes transplant social work, grief, loss and bereavement support, nephrology social work and family violence intervention. Dr Lim is committed to enhancing ethics competency in social work and healthcare professionals because she believes it improves care delivery. An engaging trainer, Dr Lim has extensive experience in developing and teaching undergraduate, graduate and continuing education programmes in social work. She is actively involved in training medical students and healthcare professionals in clinical ethics and patient communication. Dr Lim has received several awards in recognition of her clinical excellence and commitment.

CPE Credits

Course participants are eligible for Continuing Professional Education (CPE) credits with the Singapore Association of Social Workers (SASW). One CPE credit will be awarded for each contact hour. Approval of CPE credits are to be submitted through the CPE Log Book under each accredited professional's account.

Course Fees

Fee Description	Amount Payable (incl. GST)
Full course fees	$2728.50
Pricing after SSG Funding* (Singapore Citizen below 40 years / Singapore Permanent Resident)	$818.55
Pricing after SSG Funding* (Singapore Citizen aged 40 years and above)	$308.55

***SSG Funding Information**

1. Participant must meet a minimum attendance of 75%, complete and submit all assignment(s), achieve a 'Competent' grade in assessment, and submit the feedback form in order to qualify for the funding. Failing which, **full course fees (incl. GST)** will be payable.
2. The funding only applies to Singapore Citizens and Singapore Permanent Residents.
3. The funding does not tap into your $500 Skillsfuture Credit.

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