Ethics in Field Education

Program Description

Field instructors play multiple, significant roles in the preparation of the next generation of social work professionals. They are teachers, mentors, evaluators, supervisors, and also learners, as students expose them to novel problems and questions. This session is designed to help participants comfortably undertake those roles, addressing fundamentals of professional ethics, ethical decision making, and ethical action, as well as group problem solving on commonly occurring dilemmas.

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this workshop, participants should be able to:

- 1. Describe five sources of dilemmas;
- 2. Explain Kidder's paradigm for classifying dilemmas
- 3. Apply the nine core ethical standards;
- 4. Describe the six-question model for ethical decision making;
- 5. Explain moral courage as a foundation for ethical action;
- 6. Identify strategies for applying these concepts to scenarios common to supervision, teaching and student placements
- 7. Site resources for support and continuing education in ethics

Target Audience

Clinicians, case managers, social workers, counselors, psychiatrists, psychologists, educators, advocates, health and human service practitioners.

Contact Hours

4-6 hours. Longer sessions allow for greater depth and discussion.

(Check with presenter on participant limit)

Program Agenda

Available upon request.

Faculty

Dr. Kim Strom is the Smith P. Theimann, Jr. Distinguished Professor of Ethics and Professional Practice at the UNC-Chapel Hill School of Social Work. Dr. Strom teaches in the areas of direct practice, education, and human resource management. Her scholarly interests involve ethics, moral courage, and social work education. She is the former chair of the National Association of Social Workers' National Committee on Inquiry and is active in training, consultation and research on ethics and social work practice. She has written over 60 articles, monographs and chapters on ethics and practice. She is the author of *Straight Talk about Professional Ethics* and *The Ethics of Practice with Minors: High Stakes and Hard Choices* and the forthcoming text *Cultivating Courage*. Dr. Strom-Gottfried is also the co-author of the texts *Best of Boards*, *Direct Social Work Practice* and *Teaching Social Work Values and Ethics: A Curriculum Resource*. Dr. Strom also held an appointment as the UNC Institute for the Arts and Humanities

Associate Director for the Academic Leadership Program, which helps prepare and support the next generation of academic leaders. Currently, she serves as Principal Investigator of the UNC School of Social Work behavioral healthcare contract, and has been recently appointed by the chancellor to serve as Director of the UNC - Chapel Hill Office of Ethics Education and Policy Management.