Addressing Ethical Challenges in Practice with Children, Adolescents, & Families

Social workers and other health professionals face various ethical challenges when practicing with children, adolescents, and families. Ethical principles such as confidentiality and informed consent impact practice with youth in unique ways as compared to practice with adults. Professionals serving youth and families must often navigate information sharing across multiple service systems and family members to best meet client needs. This workshop will address ethical challenges specific to working with children, adolescents, and families. Drawing on the NASW and ACA Code of Ethics, as well as other professions’ ethical standards, the presenters will guide participants in identifying and addressing common ethical challenges when working with youth and families.

Specific topics to be addressed include: consent for treatment, proof of legal guardianship, appropriate release of information, drug & alcohol use in youth and protection of the record under federal law, parental rights, the responsibilities of a mandated reporter, and youth sexual health decisions. An afternoon panel session will focus on the presentation and discussion of case examples from multiple youth practice settings including home-based services, residential treatment, and school-based services.

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Registration Fee: $65

Target Audience: All levels of practitioners

CEUs: 5 Social Work hours (3.25 SW ethics hours)
4.75 LPC hours (3.0 LPC ethics hours)

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