

SOCIAL WORKERS REGISTRATION BOARD

Notes of the 11th Meeting of the Taskforce on Review of Code of Practice

Date: 8 November 2017
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Venue: Room GH317, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
Present: Dr. CHENG Yuk-tin, Carl (co-opted member)
Dr. LAM Chiu-wan (co-opted member)
Dr. LEUNG Chuen-suen
Mr. LUN Chi-wai
Mr. WONG Ka-ming (Acting Convenor)
Secretary: Mr. LEE Wing-po, Eric, Registrar
Ms. FAN Lai-yee, Veronica, Assistant Registrar

Confirmation of notes of last meeting

1. Members had no comment on the notes of last meeting

Discussion on revising the Code of Practice

2. Related to profession

- (a) Dr. Leung walked through the proposed changes. Some points such as “Respect”, “Representation” and “Independent Practice” would be moved to “Competency”, “Professional Responsibilities” whilst “Call to Duty” would be deleted.
- (b) A member shared that in other countries, there were specific sections explaining independent practice, research, and responsibilities in particular contexts such as remote service delivery. These areas were not covered in details in Hong Kong’s COP. Members were invited to consider whether we should take into account of the latest development of the profession and elaborate these areas in details. The Taskforce agreed that the issues should be further discussed after the first draft of “Related to profession” was reviewed.
- (c) Members had no comment on the Values and Beliefs.
- (d) Competency
 - (i) Private practice was highlighted in point 1.2.
 - (ii) Members agreed to delete point 2.3.
 - (iii) Members’ comments were incorporated in Appendix A.
- (e) Supervision and Training
 - (i) In 8.2, by making reference to “Related to clients”, the Committee agreed to further elaborate types of interests such as political interests.
- (f) Professional Development

- (i) Members agreed to delete 4.1
- (ii) Point 5 would be revised by making reference to the COP of British Association of Social Workers (BASW).

(Mr. Wong left the meeting at this juncture.)

(g) Professional Responsibilities

- (i) Move 9.1 to the end of this part.
- (ii) Members agreed to delete 9.5 and 10.1.
- (iii) Members' comments were incorporated in Appendix A.

Date of next meeting

- 3. The next meeting would be held on 4 December 2017 at 9:00 am at Room GH317, Hong Kong Polytechnic University.
- 4. There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 12:15 pm.

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