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3rd Annual Judy Levy Ethics Workshop

Digital Ethics: The Impact of Electronic Communications and Social Media on Direct Practice with Clients

Friday, March 22, 2013
8 a.m. to 12 p.m.
The Conference Center at Sheppard Pratt
6501 N. Charles St.
Towson, MD 21204

Workshop presenter:
Marian Mattison, DSW
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Department of Social Work
Providence College

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As newer forms of electronic communication reshape traditional communication patterns and practices, what are the implications for social work practice?

This workshop will address the principles and practices associated with the use of digital communications with clients. Using case vignettes and discussions, specific ethical issues regarding client confidentiality and privacy will be raised and explored.

**Educational Objectives**

As a result of participation in this session, attendees are expected to be able to:

- Articulate ways that newer digital communication technologies will potentially impact social work privacy/confidentiality standards and practices.
- Be alert to the risks, benefits, and controversies related to the changing nature of communication practices by practitioners.
- Recognize emerging communication trends and preferences for digital communication across clients of all ages.
- Be aware of the changing nature and definitions of “privacy” and the diminished ability to maintain privacy; be alert to the ethical tensions surrounding providers’ and clients’ access to personal information via social networking sites.

**Who Should Attend?**

This workshop will primarily address social workers’ ethical responsibilities and will reference the NASW Code of Ethics. Other health and mental health professionals may also want to attend.

Continuing education credits have been approved for social workers. Applications for approval of continuing education hours for professional counselors and therapists will be available at the workshop for those who are interested. Other disciplines will need to contact their professional boards for specifics.

The workshop satisfies the three-hour ethics requirements for social workers.
Friday, March 22, 2013

8:00 - 8:30 a.m.  Registration and Breakfast

8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  Discussion and Workshop

- Ethical challenges with electronic communication
- Case examples
- Possible benefits and risks
- Questions and answers

Meal Information: Breakfast and break refreshments are included in the registration fee.

Workshop Presenter

Marian Mattison, DSW

Dr. Mattison has been investigating the range of ethical tensions intrinsic to social work practice since receiving her doctoral degree from Columbia University in 1994. She is an associate professor in the Department of Social Work at Providence College, Providence, Rhode Island. Dr. Mattison leads workshops and provides consultation to practitioners facing difficult choices of actions in cases of ethical conflict. She is currently conducting focus groups to collect information regarding the adaptation, uses, and practices of digital communications by social work practitioners. Her article “Social Work Practice in the Digital Age: Therapeutic Email as a Direct Practice Methodology” was recently published in the journal Social Work.

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