

SSW 5016- ADVANCED COURSE IN PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORK

Course Objectives

- Know the roles of psychiatric social workers in different settings Imbibe the concepts of prevention and promotion
- Learn on psychosocial care, welfare measures and researches in psychiatric social work
- Understand the policies, laws and legislations on mental health

Course Outline

Unit 1 Traditional mental healthcare settings and Psychiatric Social Workers

Mental health centers (hospitals), services in district/medical colleges Child and adolescent clinics, Epilepsy clinics, geriatric clinics De-addiction and family therapy centers, Rehabilitation centers – Short/Long Term Care, day care, half way, quarter way, sheltered accommodation, hostels, home care, Psychiatric social worker as a multidisciplinary team member in various settings Social welfare provisions for persons with mental health issues

Unit 2 Prevention and promotion of mental health

Suicide prevention programme, Children and adolescents - life skills education, student enrichment programme, counselling cell - training program for students, teachers and staffs, Adults - pre-marital counselling, family life education, family and marital enrichment, parenting training program, Efficacy of training programs in mental health

Unit 3 Psychosocial care services

Psychosocial care – concept, definition and practice
Psychosocial care service in varied situations - disasters/ migration/ displacement /emergencies, children in difficult circumstances, children and women in institutions, elderly, HIV/AIDS

Unit 4 Extension of mental health services

Voluntary agencies in mental health, Services in correctional settings , Counselling cell in industry, Mental health services in schools, colleges and universities, Prison Mental Health, Mental Health issues in general health settings

Unit 5 Policies, laws and programmes

National Mental Health Policy, 2014, National Mental Health Programme and District Mental Health Programme Centers of Excellence in Mental Health, Salient features including amendments of various acts in India

- Mental Health Act
- Rehabilitation Council of India Act
- People with Disabilities Act
- National Trust for Welfare of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities Act

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