

SSW 5006: SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE WITH CHILDREN AND YOUTH

- Course Objectives**
- Develop an understanding of child development and various childhood problems
 - Study the programmes, Policies, legislations and organizations in the area of child Welfare & Development
 - Acquire knowledge and skills in social work intervention of early child hood care and development in agencies and communities.
 - Acquire knowledge and skills in working with different section of youth and skills in organizing programmes for youth

Course Outline

Unit I Introduction to child development

Emerging philosophy of child development Needs and problems of a growing child, Theories of child development: -psychoanalytic theory, psychosocial theory, cognitive– development theory, learning theory

Unit II Situational Analysis: National and State Level

Situational analysis of normal children, Situational Analysis of children with special needs: - -child labour, child abuse, street children, child trafficking, juvenile delinquents, children of sex workers, children affected by natural calamities and manmade disasters, children suffering from terminal / incurable disease (HIV/AIDS), children with disabilities

Unit III Programmes and policies for Children

Existing policies, legislations - National and International Institutional care and management – scope, limitations types

Non Institutional programmes - adoption, foster care, sponsorship, child line Programmes for child welfare - health, nutrition, education, recreation, child right National and International organization in the field of child welfare

Community based social work practice with children-role of community and its institutions in abuse and neglect of children, Early detection of childhood disabilities, Development of sensitizing programmes for the protection of children.

Unit IV Youth and their issues

Definition, characteristics, needs, aspirations, Problems of youth: unemployment, youth unrest, substance abuse, HIV/AIDS Suicide, generation gap and terrorism, Situational analysis of youth in India: Student and non- student youth in rural and urban area

Unit V Policies, programmes and interventions among youth

Governmental and nongovernmental programmes for youth: educational, recreational, vocational, guidance and counselling, leadership and health. Policies: National youth policy

Youth welfare organizations: international, national Youth for social change, Social Work Interventions among youth

- Course**
- Determine the child development needs based on various scientific perspectives.
- Outcomes**
- Propose the models of situational analysis appropriate for advancing the understanding of the social problems faced by children.
 - Critically appraise the programmes and policies for the welfare of children and youth.
 - Integrate in the social work practice the principles and values that may nurture the best practices for the development of children and youth.

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