



The Essential Role of Social Workers in Advance Care
Planning
DATE – TIME
CEU: 1.5

AGENDA

12:00 pm	Welcome and CEU Instructions	INSTRUCTOR/SPEAKER/PRESENTER <i>TITLE</i>
12:05 pm	Disparities in the ACP and AD process	SPEAKER/PRESENTER NAME <i>TITLE</i>
1:20 pm	Q&A	
1:30 pm	Final CEU Instructions and Conclusion	INSTRUCTOR/SPEAKER/PRESENTER <i>TITLE</i>

SAMPLE

Course Description:

Social workers in the healthcare field play an essential role in guiding patients through the advance care planning process. This process involves the creation of an advance directive, as well as making and communicating decisions about desired medical treatments in advance in the event of an unexpected situation or illness. Despite the importance of and having the legal right to engage in this advance care planning process, many do not access these services, especially people of color. Through this course, participants will enhance their understanding of the advanced health care directive and learn a practical method of guiding patients through this important process. Participants will gain essential micro-, meso-, and macro-level skills for empowering and engaging people and communities of color in advance care planning.

Course Learning Objectives:

- Identify the purpose and benefits of Advance Care Planning (ACP) and Advance Directives (AD)
- Identify disparities faced by people of color in ACP and AD completion
- Identify roles and responsibilities of healthcare agent and steps to completing the AD
- Identify roles of social workers in providing ACP and AD services in the micro, meso, and macro levels

Instructor Biographies:

<SPEAKER BIO: PROFESSIONAL LICENSE AND CAREER EXPERIENCE>

<SPEAKERS CURRENT WORK AND RELATED INVOLVEMENT IN THIS SUBJECT MATTER>

Outline:

A. Introduction (20 mins)

1. Scenario
2. What is Advance Care Planning (ACP)?
3. What is an Advance Directive (AD)?
4. Benefits of ACP and AD
5. Right to engage in advance care planning (policies, laws)

B. Disparities in the ACP and AD process. (20 mins)

1. Disparities faced by people and communities of color
2. Disparities due to age, socio-economic status, and education levels
3. Facilitator and barriers to ACP among people and communities of color

C. Review of the Advance Directive document. (40 mins)

1. Roles of a healthcare agent
2. Qualities of a healthcare agent
3. The 5 parts of the advance directive
4. Guiding patients through the ICA process

D. The Social Workers Role in ACP and AD. (40 mins)

1. NASW Standards of Care
2. Essential skills and interventions for micro-level practice
3. Essential skills for implementing ACP programs in the macro-level
4. Potential barriers for providing ACP services among social work