

Worksheet to resolve Ethical Dilemmas

What to Do?

<u>Identify the Dilemma</u> Be specific and objective

Ethical Clinical Legal List the clinical List the Ethical List the legal Dilemma Dilemma Dilemma

Identify who is involved-client, self and other parties, and how each party is affected by the decision (Consider the rights, interests, and welfare of the parties affected and your responsibility to them)

Party(ies) involved	Outcome
Client	
Self	
Spouse	
Parents	
Third party	
Others	

Code of Ethics (link)

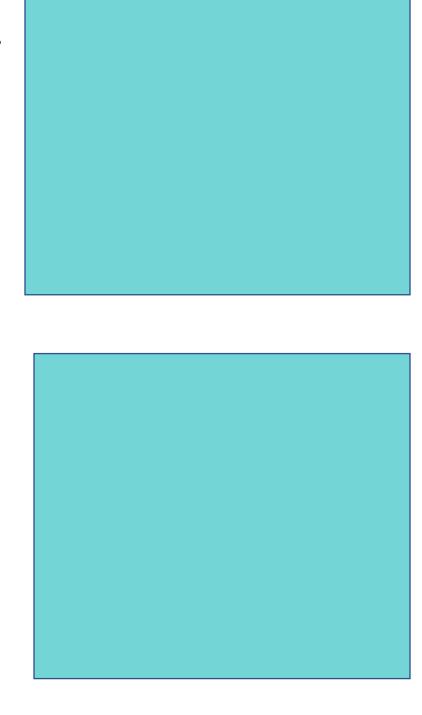
List the relevant Ethical Principles:

- Respect for the Dignity of Persons and Peoples
- 2. Responsible Caring
- 3. Integrity in Relationships
- 4. Responsibility to Society

Applicable Standards of Practice (link)

Explore and list relevant Standards of Practice

- 1. Informed Consent
- 2. Competence
- 3. Provisions of Supportable Services
- 4. Provision of Services Through Distance Technology
- 5. Maintenance and Retention of Records
- 6. Continuity of Care
- 7. Termination of Services
- 8. Dual/Multiple Relationships
- 9. Relationships with Supervisees
- 10. Protecting the Confidentiality of Clients
- 11. Representation of Service
- 12. Fees And Statements
- 13. Collaborative Practice
- 14. Awareness Of Illegal Practice
- 15. Duty To Report
- 16. Truth And Reconciliation
- 17. Diversity And Cultural Competency
- 18. Harassment
- 19. Conscientious Objection



Legislations/Laws affecting Psychologists in Alberta

Refer to the link below which would take you to the Jurisprudence section under Additional CAP Resources on the College Of Alberta <u>website</u> :			
List the applicable laws one is mandated to comply with:			

Biases Identify and document any biases applicable

Personal Biases	Social Biases	Cultural Biases	Religious Biases	Others

Consultation

Registered Psychologists	Provisional Psychologists
Name of clinical managers/ professional colleagues/peers consulted:	Name of the clinical supervisor/s consulted:
Professional Guidance Program through the Psychologist Association of Alberta:	List, if accessed Supervision Consultants through the College of Alberta Psychologists:
List any literature reviewed:	List any literature reviewed:

Identify and evaluate the alternative course of actions and consequences

(For legal issues, please contact your liability insurance and speak with a lawyer)

Course of Action	Potential Benefits	Potential Risks

Implement the course of action & Assume Responsibility

Decision



Self-Reflection

- How did the ethical/clinical/legal dilemma affect me personally and professionally?
- Steps to take care of the above identified
- What did I learn from the situation?
- Is there any new or additional learning required?
- Do I need to build up more professional support?

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