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OFFICE NOTE:

The Officer In-charge, Library & Information Centre is requested to make necessary arrangements to post the following information on the Institute website immediately.

a) Advertisement regarding THREE MONTHS certificate course on <u>"Principles & Practice of Social</u>
Work in Mental Health Rehabilitation Settings"

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER (A&E)

Date: 25.04.2022

To
The Officer In-Charge Library & Information Centre
NIMHANS, Bengaluru – 29

National Institute of Mental Health & Neuro Sciences (Institute of National Importance), Bengaluru-560029

The Department of Psychiatric Social Work, NIMHANS

Invites Applications for 3 months Certificate Course through online in

'Principles and Practice of Social Work in Mental Health Rehabilitation Settings'

About the Course:

There is a dearth of trained social work professionals in the mental health rehabilitation settings for persons with mental illness in India. One of the primary roles of social workers in these centres is to provide and facilitate welfare benefits to the disabled. However, the knowledge and utilizations of these welfare schemes are limited among those working in Mental Health rehabilitation settings. As an Institute of National Importance and a pioneer in Psychiatric Social Work, NIMHANS can help build capacity by training human resources in developing and managing mental health rehabilitation settings. This will increase the possibility of more social work professionals setting up mental health rehabilitation settings which in turn can help reduce the mental health treatment gap and provide comprehensive and qualitative care to persons with mental health disabilities.

This will be an online certificate course designed to equip social workers to be efficient and confident in the setting up and managing mental health rehabilitation settings. The course is designed to enhance practical knowledge for graduates and postgraduates in social work, working in Non-Profit organizations as these settings play a crucial role in providing services, especially welfare measures to persons with developmental and mental disabilities across the states in India. This section of social workers' capacity-building efforts in mental health rehabilitation settings has remained limited to organizing workshops and training programmes. However, given the size of the sector, there is a need for a short-term course with a standard curriculum on the development and management of mental health rehabilitation settings. The course's larger vision is to improve social work practice quality in mental health rehabilitation settings. Additionally, the course will provide a base for Rehabilitation and community based psychosocial interventions in preventive and promotive aspects.

In this context, a three-month certificate Course is proposed in 'Social Work Practice in Mental Health Rehabilitation Settings' for students/ practitioners who have completed their Bachelors/ master's in social work and/or practitioners working in Mental Health rehabilitation settings.

Aim and Objectives of this Online Course:

- 1. To understand the process of setting up mental health rehabilitation settings writing project proposals for funding and process of registration of non-profit organizations.
- To enhance knowledge and skills in the provision of social welfare schemes for persons with mental disabilities in the mental health rehabilitation center.
- To train social work professionals in networking with multiple stakeholders across
 multiple sectors (including Govt. and Non-Govt. Organizations) to help run mental
 health rehabilitation settings.
- 4. To give an overview of the various psychosocial rehabilitation services that can be provided in the mental health rehabilitation settings.

Eligibility:

The course is open to those who have obtained a bachelor's degree in social work /or master's degree in Social Work from a University recognized by UGC and/or practitioners working in Mental Health Rehabilitation settings.

Details of the Course:

- <u>Duration:</u> Three Months through online from Dept of Psychiatric Social Work, NIMHANS, Bengaluru-560029
- 2. Course dates: June 2022 to August 2022
- 3. Number of Seats: Maximum 35 per intake in every batch.
- 4. Fee Payable: Rs.6000/- payable on selection (non-refundable, for three months)

Procedure for Application: Selection will be done based on the eligibility. The interested candidates should send their application via email or hard copy on a plain paper along with the following documents:

- One page writes up on why they want to pursue the certificate course through Online mode
- Bio data with a recent passport size photograph, full postal address, email id/ phone number.
- 3. Research and work experience related documents, if any

Send Hard copies/Soft copy of the application along with supporting documents titled

'Principles and Practice of Social Work in Mental Health Rehabilitation Settings' latest by May 20th 2022 to

The Professor and Head, Department of Psychiatric Social Work,
Dr M.V. Govind swamy Center (First Floor) NIMHANS, Bangalore-560029.
Ph: 080 26995953; Email: certificatecourseinpsw@gmail.com

Course Coordinators:

- 1. Dr. Shaniyaram K Reddy, Associate Professor of Psychiatric Social Work, NIMHANS
- 2. Dr Aarti Jagannathan, Additional Professor of Psychiatric Social Work, NIMHANS.

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Important Dates:

- Last date for receiving applications: 20th May 2022
- Date of Intimation of selected Candidates: 25th May 2022