

# Ethical Decision Making Social Work and the Older Adult

presented by



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Noon to 3:15 pm

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*The burgeoning population of older adults pose significant challenges for the individual, family, community and society. This live in-person program will explore bio-psycho-social issues facing the aging population, including the impact of dementia and chronic disease. This program is designed for beginner and intermediate level social workers working with older adults.*

## Course Details

This course is suitable for beginner and intermediate levels. It is an introduction to ethical decision making in working with the older adult. There is an introduction to health and disease process issues, necessary and appropriate for beginners. It also applies to the intermediate level as it will be an interactive workshop focusing on skill-building by incorporating case examples, peer discussion, role playing and video clips. This involves using information in concrete situations and understanding the underlying structure of the material.

## About our presenter:

Beth Parker-O'Brien, MSW, LCSW-C, MPH, has worked in the field of health and aging since 1980. Her career path has had a focus on disease process and the impacts for both the individual and their loved ones. Her practice includes a focus on diagnosis and treatment of dementia with an emphasis in the behavioral aspects of disease process.

In 2017, Beth opened Shore Neurocognitive Health to further her passion of mental health and program development. Beth recognizes that as we age, we are faced with many issues, including changes in our health, memory and life status impacting how we feel about ourselves. She is joined by a team of caring professionals to help adults with the issues they face as they age.

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**Upon completion of this course, participants will be able to:**

- Identify the impact of biological changes on the aging experience for the individual, family and community.
- Apply ethical principles, guided by the NASW Code of Ethics, in working with an older adult limited decision-making capacity.
- Apply an ethical decision-making process to a professional social work practice situation specific to the older adult population.



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Successful completion of this seminar will require attendance for the entire event as well as completion & submission of the evaluation form. Certificates will be given at the end of the course.

Registrations may be cancelled 15 days prior to the event minus a \$5 processing fee. Cancellations received less than 15 days prior to the event will not receive a refund.

For grievances, please contact Shore Neurocognitive Health at (443)746-3698 or email [programs@snhealth.net](mailto:programs@snhealth.net)



## AGENDA

### Hour One

*The biology of the aging adult. Discussion will focus on:*

- Health aging
- Chronic disease
- Dementia
- Peer discussion will be encouraged to explore this topic.

### Hour Two

#### **Decision-making capacity**

*Topics: Social Work Assessment and ethics of an older adult with limited decision-making capacity. Role-playing and video-clips will be utilized.*

### Hour Three

#### **End of life issues and the older adult**

*Topics: End of Life issues and the older adult, Summary, Conclusions and Evaluations. Includes: Social work advocacy and NASW Code of Ethics. Role-playing, peer discussion and video-clips will be further utilized.*

*\*A 15 minute break will be offered between hours one and two. This time is not included in CEs obtained.*

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