

Code of Ethics

- 1. We shall treat client/family with dignity and shall respect their unique differences in culture, religion, race, and sexual orientation.
- 2. We shall treat our client holistically, encompassing family, peer group, and community.
- 3. We shall respect the confidentiality of each client/family.
- 4. We shall respect, safeguard, and advocate for the rights of each client and/or family.
- 5. We shall promote our client autonomy and increased self-esteem.
- 6. We shall cooperate with other professionals which offer service to our clientele.
- 7. Recognizing that we are a catalyst for change we shall:
 - a) utilize current and knowledgeable methods and techniques in order to provide quality service to our clientele and;
 - b) actively seek out opportunities to learn and develop as well as support growth in our co-workers and other professionals.
- 8. We shall not use or condone the use of corporal punishment under any circumstances.
- 9. We shall not become involved in or condone sexual involvement with clients.
- 10. We shall be knowledgeable about and adhere to all laws.
- 11. We shall develop, implement, and administer the policies and procedures of Dilico.
- 12. We shall only enter into contracts that allow us to maintain our professional integrity.
- 13. We are committed to the ongoing development of our profession through competent training and supervision.
- 14. We shall conduct ourselves in a professional and ethical manner at all times.

Where a staff member is recognized or regulated by a professional body or school, then their professional Code of Ethics and/or Values shall also apply.

Dilico recognizes the "Ontario Association of Child and Youth Counsellors Code of Ethics – Adopted, March 1985" in the development of this Code of Ethics