



Irish Association of Social Workers
Cumann na hÉireann um Oibríthe Sóisialta

December Newsletter

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The IASW office will be closed from Thursday 24th December to Friday January 1st inclusive and will reopen on Monday, 4th January. Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from all at the IASW!

The Irish Social Worker - call for journal articles

The IASW Journal Committee are preparing for the Spring 2016 edition of the Irish Social Worker Journal and welcome articles from all members, based on research or from reflection on social work practice. Further guidance available from office@iasw.ie

IASW Membership Fee 2016

If you wish to change your payment type, payment frequency, category of membership, or cancel your membership you **MUST** do so no later than December 31st. Your 2016 membership fee will automatically be deducted in accordance with the information you have provided us with on this date. Please ensure the

Dear member

As the year draws to a close, I'd like to thank all the members of the Board and Council for their hard work and to the many members who contributed to the numerous submissions and representations that the IASW has made throughout the year on behalf of social workers in Ireland. And of course, to Danielle & Cliona, for making it all happen!

For the New Year, why not encourage a non-member to join? With a vast array of low-cost CPD events already planned for 2016, many outside of Dublin and Fitness to Practice legal expenses insurance for their peace of mind, not to mention the opportunity to represent and influence the direction of their profession on national groups, and all this for less than €15 a month, its an ideal way for every social worker to ensure that they maintain their registration!

On behalf of the Board, Council, Danielle & Cliona and myself, have a very peaceful Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year!

Dónal O'Malley, IASW Chair



IASW January Events

Adolescent Substance Abuse - Engaging with hard to reach young people

Tuesday, 19th January from 9.15 - 1.00

**Blackpool Library, Red Forge Road, Blackpool, Cork
€5 members/ €15 non-members**

This half day workshop will be delivered by Dr Sharon Lambert, lecturer in the School of Applied Psychology, University College Cork and has been organised by the Southern Region SIG.

CPD - Responding to Registration

Tuesday, 19th January from 6.00 - 7.30

St Andrew's Resource Centre, 114-116 Pearse Street, Dublin 2

Members free but booking is essential/ €15 non-members

Cliona Murphy, Professional Development Coordinator with the IASW will present this seminar on the CPD requirements of registration.

CPD - Responding to Registration

Tuesday, 26th January from 6.00 - 7.30

St Andrew's Resource Centre, 114-116 Pearse Street, Dublin 2

Members free but booking is essential/ €15 non-members

Cliona Murphy, Professional Development Coordinator with the IASW will present this seminar on the CPD requirements of registration. Discussion will focus on how to meet the CPD

office has the correct postal address, phone number and email address for you otherwise we cannot communicate with you about our unmissable conferences and seminars, networking opportunities, up-to-date CPD materials and - Fitness to Practise Legal Expense Cover!

IASW update Private Supervision Guidelines & Supervisor List

The IASW has updated its [Guidance for Private Supervision](#). Members who meet the requirements for supervisors and who wish to make themselves available to offer supervision can contact office@iasw.ie for further details.

IASW in the News

The IASW is one of 14 organisations who made an urgent appeal to An Taoiseach to show leadership on the issue of child homelessness. [Read more](#)

Health Service Excellence Awards 2016

Have you been involved in a project or service that has made a real and lasting impression on our health and social services? The Awards are open to all staff working in the public health system directly run or funded by the HSE. These may include any service provided directly to the public including clinical services, primary care or social / family support. Closing date for receipt of applications is 13th January 2016. Click [here](#) for further details.

requirements of registration when not specifically employed as a social worker.

Mindfulness and Resilience

Friday, 29th January from 9.30 - 1.00

Clarion Hotel, Sligo

€5 members/ €15 non-members

This half day workshop will draw on a variety of mindfulness meditation practices currently being used in healthcare and workplace settings in the US, Europe and further afield.

Issues affecting the future of the social work role in the field of ageing: the practical application of social work advocacy, policy and adopting a rights based approach

Friday, 29th January from 9.00 - 1.00

Ashling Hotel, Parkgate Street, Dublin

€10 members/€20 non-members

The Special Interest Group on Ageing will hold this half day conference.



SAVE THE DATE!

The IASW National Social Work Conference, AGM & the Social Work Awards 2016 will be held on Friday, 17th June 2016. Further details will be announced shortly.

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