

# Law and Ethics in Social Work and Mental Health Practice

With Daniel O. Taube, J.D., Ph.D.

A FREE training presented by Alameda County Behavioral Health and A Better Way

## Course Objectives

- 1.) Define two challenges in terminating care to clients/patients still in need of care.
- 2.) Describe two elements of an ethical approach to challenging racism and oppression in clinical practice.
- 3.) Identify three steps in reduce risks of a licensing board action.
- 4.) Name three problems with and strategies to overcome cognitive/affective decision-making errors.
- 5.) Recognize two issues in providing cross-jurisdictional telehealth during COVID-19.
- 6.) Summarize three developments in limitations on confidentiality in California.

Meeting ethical and legal standards is foundational in the provision of competent mental health and recovery service. Many dimensions of these standards are clear and have remained constant over the years. Yet others continue to evolve, and social workers and mental health professionals (MHPs) routinely confront complex and ambiguous ethical and legal situations. The purpose of this course is to give MHPs an opportunity to renew and sharpen their ability to engage in knowledgeable and effective ethical decision-making, and to understand and apply ethical and legal standards to challenges inherent in clinical work. The course also has the goal of assisting participants in better managing the risks of clinical practice. It will be taught at an intermediate level and is appropriate for currently licensed professionals and advanced pre-licensed professionals. This course meets and exceeds the Board of Psychology's mandated ethics and law update requirement, and the Board of Behavioral Sciences 6-hour update requirement.

**Audience:** Alameda County Behavioral Health (ACBH) clinical staff and contracted CBO providers are welcome. Capacity is limited. Open until filled.

**Daniel O. Taube, PhD.,** received his J.D. from Villanova University in 1985 and his Ph.D. in clinical psychology from Hahnemann University in 1987, as a member of the Hahnemann/Villanova Joint Psychology and Law Graduate Program. He is a Professor at the California School of Professional Psychology, San Francisco at Alliant International University, past Psy.D. Program Director, founder and coordinator of the Forensic Family Child Track and member of the Child/Family Track. His areas of professional focus include ethical and legal issues in professional practice, child protection, addictions, and disability and parenting. Dr. Taube has been a successful ethics presenter, having conducted well over 300 4-to-6 hour continuing education workshops for psychologists, MFTs, LCSWs and other mental health professionals in the past 16 years. He has trained over 7500 clinicians during that time, and regularly provides consultation regarding ethical issues and standards of care.



**Friday, June 25th, 2021**

9:00am-4:30pm | Registration at 8:45am

Online Course | Zoom link sent 2 days before course

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