



Ethics Committee Terms of Reference

The overriding principle and value held by UPCA is to work toward the alleviation of client's suffering and to promote their wellbeing. UPCA is committed to protecting the public by promoting safe and ethical psychotherapy and psychotherapeutic counselling practices at all levels of the organisation.

In promoting safe and ethical education, training and practice, the aims and objectives of the Ethics Committee are:

- Maintaining and implementing Fitness to Practice procedures, and managing concerns and complaints that are raised in relation to UPCA members
- Maintaining a Code of Conduct, Performance and Ethics
- Ensuring that ethical requirements are followed by all affiliated institutions and accredited education and training programmes and all members in respect of training and clinical practice
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- Responding to ethical issues raised by education and training programmes, individual members and members of the public
- Ensuring that the highest standards of ethical practice are maintained in all aspects of psychotherapy and psychotherapeutic counselling practice, in accordance with UPCA's Code of Conduct, Performance and Ethics
- The promotion of diversity, equality and social responsibility in psychotherapy and psychotherapeutic counselling practices, and ensuring that accessibility to these practices are maintained for all groups