

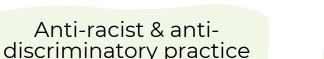
Professional development regulations for social workers in Nova Scotia

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Every social worker in NS needs to track professional development during the year and report it to NSCSW during annual registration renewal.

Most members need to complete 40 hours every year, including 6 hours on these mandated topics:

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1 hour/year training

Social justice



1 hour formal training or informal learning activity

Truth & reconciliation

Social work ethics



1 hour/year formal training or informal learning activity

Prevention of vicarious trauma & secondary distress



2 hours/year formal training or informal learning activity

How your organization can support social workers on staff:

Time



Make time for learning!

Expecting staff to use rest and leisure time for work-related activities can increase risk of burnout.

Funding

Include professional development in your budget.

Look for options that align your needs & goals with your staff's regulatory obligations.

Recognition

Nurture
a workplace
culture that
values
the worth of
lifelong learning
& career development.