

Code of Ethics

As a member of the College of Registered Psychotherapists of Ontario, I strive to practise safely, effectively and ethically, and to uphold the following principles:

Autonomy & Dignity of All Persons

To respect the privacy, rights and diversity of all persons; to reject all forms of harassment and abuse; and to maintain appropriate therapeutic boundaries at all times.

Excellence in Professional Practice

To work in the best interests of clients; to work within my skills and competencies; maintain awareness of best practices; and to pursue professional and personal growth throughout my career.

Integrity

To openly inform clients about options, limitations on professional services, potential risks and benefits; to recognize and strive to challenge my own professional and personal biases; and to consult on ethical dilemmas.

Justice

To strive to support justice and fairness in my professional and personal dealings, and stand against oppression and discrimination.

Responsible Citizenship

To participate in my community as a responsible citizen, always mindful of my role as a trusted professional; and to consult on potential conflicts-of-interest and other personal-professional challenges.

Responsible Research

To conduct only basic and applied research that potentially benefits society, and to do so safely, ethically and with the informed consent of all participants.

Support for Colleagues

To respect colleagues, co-workers, students, and members of other disciplines; to supervise responsibly; to work collaboratively; and to inspire others to excellence.

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