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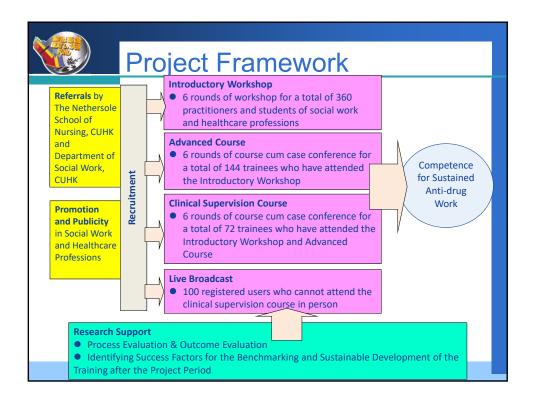
- Introductory Workshop (6 rounds): Understanding the needs of drug abusers, motivating drug abusers to face their problems, and making referrals for appropriate care
- Advanced Course (6 rounds): Motivating and engaging drug abusers to change, enhancing protective factors for the abusers in relapse prevention, and sustaining the growth and development of these abusers throughout their rehabilitation

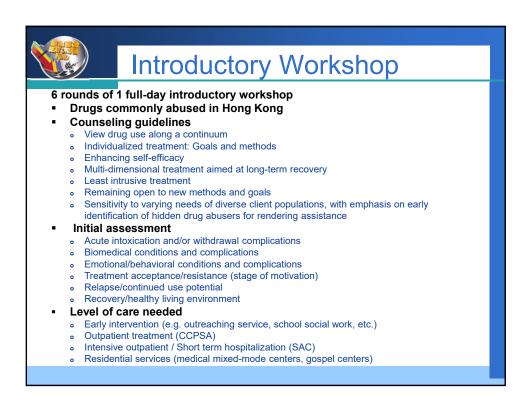


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- Clinical Supervision Course (6 rounds): Enhancing treatment of clients with problematic drug abuse in their service settings
- Live Broadcast of Clinical Supervision Course (6 rounds):
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Advanced Course

6 rounds of 3 full-day advanced course:

- Overview of an Integrative Humanistic and Cognitivebehavioral Treatment
- Assessment Phase: Screening and Assessment
- Treatment Phase 1: Engagement and Building Motivation to Change
- Treatment Phase 2: Negotiating Some Behavior Change
- Treatment Phase 3: Early Relapse Prevention
- Treatment Phase 4: Relapse Prevention/Relapse Management
- Additional Treatment Component Families and Social Network Members
- Application in Different Settings



Clinical Supervision Course

6 rounds of 3 full-day clinical supervision course:

- Using Integrative Humanistic and Cognitive-Behavioral Treatment for Planning Anti-drug Work
- Demonstrating Appropriate Use of Counseling Skills for the Treatment of Clients with Problematic Drug Abuse
- Monitoring and Facilitating Trainees' Learning of Anti-drug Counseling Skills
- Enhancing Trainees' Self-understanding and Professional Development
- The clinical supervision course has the following features to maximize training effectiveness:
 - Homework assignments for the practice of components of the integrated humanistic and cognitive-behavioral approach
- Role play and experiential learning
- Case conferencing to consolidate practice experience systematically



Live Broadcast of Clinical Supervision Course

6 rounds of live broadcast of clinical supervision course:

- Delivering live broadcast sessions of the clinical supervision course for synchronized viewing and case discussion
- Enabling registered users who are not able to attend our clinical supervision course in person can still benefit from the live broadcast and participate in case discussion
- Enabling registered users to raise burning issues in their anti-drug work and receive immediate feedback and advice from our trainers
- Facilitating deeper learning of knowledge and skills in handling increasingly complex cases with focus on young adults, pregnant women/mothers, and sexual minorities



Photos

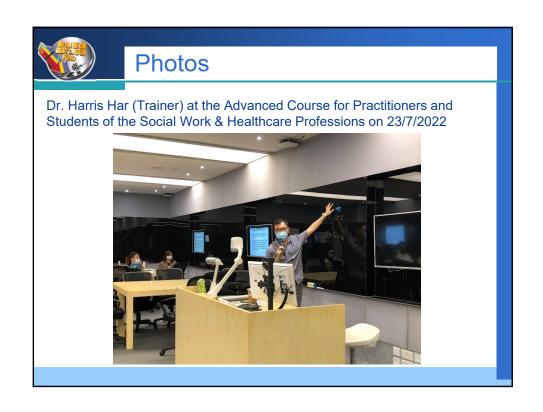
Group Photo of Mr. Max Szeto (Trainer) and the participants at the Clinical Supervision Course for Practitioners and Students of the Social Work & Healthcare Professions on 6/5/2023





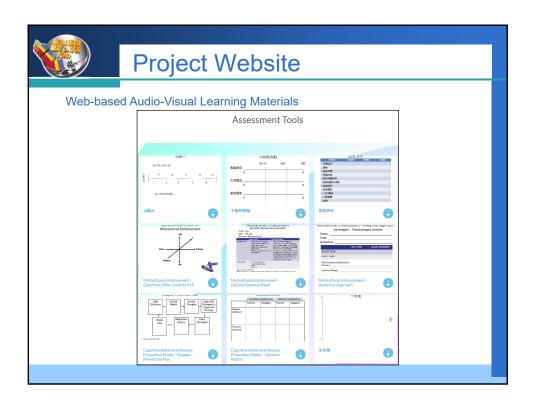


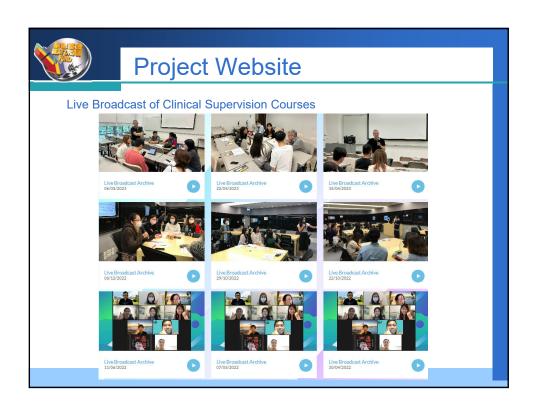


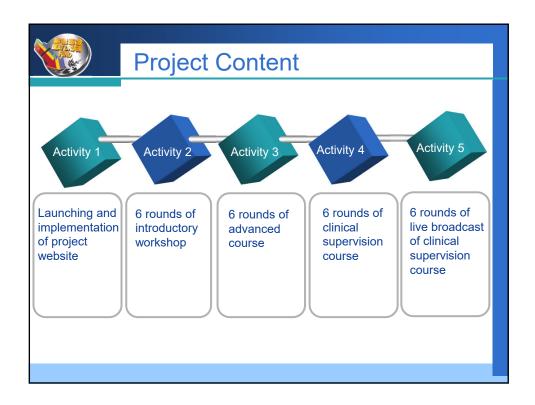














Output and Outcome Evaluation

- Evaluation methods
 - Course attendance record
 - Pre & post training questionnaires
- Output and outcome benchmarks
 - No. of trainees completed the Introductory Workshop
 - No. of trainees completed the Advanced Course
 - No. of trainees completed the Clinical Supervision Course
 - Improvement in knowledge about drugs and drug services, counselling skills and assessment skills; skills and application of the Integrative Humanistic and Cognitive-Behavioral Treatment; and competence in servicing as an anti-drug worker

	Output Evaluation	
	Expected Result	Achieved Result
Output Indicator 1	Conduct not less than 6 rounds of Introductory Workshop with 360 trainees completing the workshop	Conducted 6 rounds of Introduction Workshop with 391 trainees completed the workshop
Output Indicator 2	Conduct not less than 6 rounds of Advanced Course with 144 trainees completing the course	Conducted 6 rounds of Advanced Course with 179 trainees completed the course
Output Indicator 3	Conduct not less than 6 rounds of Clinical Supervision Course with 72 trainees completing the course	Conducted 6 rounds of Clinical Supervision Course with 76 trainees completed the course
Output Indicator 4	Provide a bilingual web-based audio- visual learning materials for 1,200 users	1216 registered users

	Outcome Evaluation		
	Expected Result	Achieved Result	
Outcome Indicator 1	70% of participants who attend the Introductory Workshop show improvement in knowledge about drugs and drug services, counseling skills and assessment skills (or significant improvement found using the paired <i>t</i> -test)	391 valid questionnaires evaluated 95.9% showed improvement	
Outcome Indicator 2	70% of participants who attend the Advanced Course show improvement in knowledge, skills and application of the Integrated Humanistic and Cognitive-Behavioral Approach to antidrug work (or significant improvement found using the paired <i>t</i> -test)	171 valid questionnaires evaluated 96.5% showed improvement	

	Outcome Evaluation		
	Expected Result	Achieved Result	
Outcome Indicator 3	70% of participants who attend the Clinical Supervision Course show improvement in competence in serving as an anti-drug worker (or significant improvement found using the paired t-test)	74 valid questionnaires evaluated 97.3% showed improvement	
Outcome Indicator 4	70% of participants who attend the Clinical Supervision Course show improvement in competence in clinical anti-drug work as assessed by the C-BIT Efficacy Scale (or significant improvement found using the paired t-test)	74 valid questionnaires evaluated 98.6% showed improvement	

	Expected Result	Achieved Result
Outcome ndicator 5	70% of registered users of our live broadcast sessions of the Clinical Supervision Course show improvement in competence in clinical anti-drug work (or significant improvement found using the paired t-test)	95 valid questionnaires evaluated 96.8% showed improvement



Process Evaluation and Experience Gained

 Source of information for Process Evaluation: The project team's review meetings and the participants' feedback during training sessions

Reason behind success

- Hybrid Format of Conducting Courses: especially the live broadcast of the Clinical Supervision Course allowed participants who could not attend the course physically to interact with trainers and other participants immediately
- Ample experience and expertise: Address the multifarious training needs of participants from the healthcare professions
- Institutional support: CUHK Department of Social Work and The Nethersole School of Nursing, CUHK
- Meeting pressing needs for systematic training on anti-drug work, such as the integrated humanistic and cognitivebehavioral treatment approach



Process Evaluation and Experience Gained

Lessons learnt

- Flexible format of conducting courses to overcome the limitations of pandemic and classroom availability
- Tremendous needs for the training from students and practitioners of diverse backgrounds
- Worthwhile to extending training to other students and practitioners



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- Project is effective in improving the participants' knowledge about drug services, counseling skills, and assessment skills, as well as facilitating the application of the Integrated Humanistic and Cognitive-Behavioral Approach to anti-drug work
- Web-based audio-visual learning materials facilitates selflearning
- The synchronized nature of the live broadcast sessions enables registered users to raise anti-drug work issues and receive feedback and advice from our trainers immediately