

Preparing for Supervision

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Supervision: Three Areas

- Administrative
- Educational
- Supportive

Elements of *Effective* Supervision

- Regular and consistent
- Students come prepared
- Both student and Field Educator are active participants

Clinical Supervision Versus “Triage” Supervision

- In-depth conversation versus conversation in passing
- Clinical supervision gets at issues that are at the core of effective social work practice
- Entails skill building, feedback, reflection, and ability to examine critical issues

Power Differential

- Exists within professional relationships
- It is important to understand how to communicate effectively *within* the supervisory relationship
- Positive aspect – having someone who is responsible for oversight and mentorship of our work

Additional Materials

1. Preparing for Effective Supervision (Presentation Slides)
2. Preparing for Supervision: Understanding What’s Expected & Why (Handout)
3. Supervision: Preparing an Agenda (Tool for Students)
4. MSW Student Supervision Record (Required Form)


