

IPSS Ethics Committee Terms of Reference

RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The IPSS Ethics Committee(The Committee) is responsible for stating and communicating the ethical values expected of IPSS members, and for considering any ethical matters that may arise in the environment in which IPSS members work, namely within the transference and counter-transference. The Committee aims to ensure that members are fully aware of how fantasy plays a part in the transference.
2. The areas of operation of The Committee are summarised, though not exclusively, below:
 - a. Handling, through its procedures, any complaints arising out of the therapist-client relationship.
 - b. Informing the work of students, practitioners and supervisors so that they may at all times be aware of best practices and the availability of support from the Committee.
 - c. Providing members with and updating from time to time the document 'IPSS Code of Ethics and Code of Practice Revised February 2012'

CONSTITUTION AND MEMBERSHIP

1. The Committee has a permanent Chair, and will convene from time to time as required.
2. The Committee Chair will be appointed at the AGM by vote of the membership and will continue to serve until either they are replaced by vote of the membership at an AGM or their resignation.
3. The Term of office for all Committee members will be no longer than 5 Years; with 1 year stand down before a return to office.
4. It is the responsibility of the Chair to convene The Committee and co-opt Committee members from the membership as required and according to the nature of the issue(s) to be addressed and the experience of the membership.

MODUS OPERANDI OF THE COMMITTEE

1. **Chair** The Chair must be present for the Committee to be in session.
2. **Term of office of Members** Members are co-opted for specific sessions or incidents and will remain active until the issue has been concluded and / or resolved to the satisfaction of the Chair.
3. Formats and procedures for the Committee's activities in different circumstances shall be governed by the procedures detailed in the document 'IPSS Code of Ethics and Code of Practice Revised February 2012'.