Workshop on Ethics and Integrity in Social Science and Health Research

4-8 April 2022

Background of the Workshop: Research involving human participants raises several ethical, legal, social and political issues. Ethics in research represents the norms that distinguish between acceptable and unacceptable undertaking. It should not be confused with ethical theory, morality, or simply following the rules. Plausible scope of the research ethics can include our obligations as a researcher. Ethics primarily aims to preserve and promote the integrity and interest of individuals, groups and society, protection of confidentiality, ensuring ethical soundness in research activity, management of risk and interaction between researchers.

Conventionally, ethics concentrated on issues in biomedical research to protect the rights of the subjects undergoing the experiment. Moreover, not only biomedical research but also the research in social sciences has been remained the ground of experiments and unethical practices in the past. In the absence of adequate understanding of the methods of ethical principles, rules and regulations, social science and health research lacks reliable and authentic data generation, which is the foundation of evidence-based policymaking. In this context, International Institute for Population Sciences is organizing a Capacity Building Workshop to inform and strengthen the capacity of the young researchers in identifying and applying the principles of ethics in implementing and management of social science and health research.

Workshop Objectives: The workshop will make researchers aware about the existing national and international principles and guidelines on ethics. It will enable participants to design and execute social and health research with ethical reasoning. The workshop will cover the ethical issues at different stages of research (from conception of the idea to publication of the results). Specifically, it aims to focus on the following issues:

National and international laws and guidelines

- Ethics in research methods
- Protection of research participants
- Research misconducts (participant and researcher)
- Ethics dilemmas
- Procedure for ethical clearance
- Dos and don'ts in Research Ethics

Workshop Method: The workshop will be organized on virtual platform with different topical sessions, which include lectures by subject experts, group discussions, case studies, etc.

Participants: The workshop is designed to meet the needs of researchers involved in social and public health research. It is open to MPhil.\ PhD scholars in social sciences, faculty members, government and non-governmental professionals involved in research, monitoring & evaluation studies.

Resource Persons: Experts in research ethics from various Indian institutions will act as resource persons

Seats available: 30

Application Deadline: 24th March, 2022

Fee: INR 3000/- (three thousand only). IIPS has few scholarships for the deserving candidates. The shortlisted candidates will be communicated for the fee payment.

Enquiries: Please write to Short Term Training Program Cell, if you have any query - shortterm@iipsindia.ac.in

Workshop Coordinators: Dr. Dipti Govil and Prof. T. V. Sekher

Application Form: Fill the google form to submit your application Workshop on "Ethics and Integrity in Social Science and Health Research" (04-08 April, 2022) (google.com)



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