



Ethics among Colleagues

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Goal

The lecture is intended to show the possibilities for ethical work in our profession with a special focus on dealing ethically with colleagues. What ethical dealing means and what conditions are essential for it, will be discussed. The understanding of the importance of ethical guidelines and standards should, thereby, be enhanced. Again and again, difficulties and conflicts turn up in daily team work. Readiness to work actively on solutions should be strengthened.

Abstract

1. Ethics as generally understood, : what ethical thinking and dealing meant for our society and our life
2. Ethical work/ethical perception and ethical understanding have a great deal to do with our own self-worth. Strengthening our own feeling of self-worth, loving and paying attention to ourselves as well as recognizing and respecting our own needs are important components which allow us to be more aware of others and more empathic in our dealings with them.
3. The significance of ethics for IBCLCs; interdisciplinary work; offering information based on facts; accepting different opinions; understanding and acknowledging intellectual property



4. Ways of working and possibilities for implementation on the basis of the ILCA practice standards will be shown
5. Concrete ideas for ethical cooperation in practice will be offered
6. Basic conditions for success lie in the relationship to others
7. How helps me to care for relationships and what are the greatest stumbling blocks
8. Strategies that help to overcome these difficulties will be highlighted
9. How I confront difficult partners, what is helpful in the discussion
10. Conflicts are experienced as “brakes” in ethical dealings. How can I contribute to the solution?

Key words

Ethics in the work life, dealing with colleagues, interdisciplinary work, IBCLCs and ethics, Code of Ethics, ILCA Standards of Practice

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