

Professional Relationships ECHC5004

Week 9 GP – Private Practice, Recording
Keeping – Case notes

Schedule for Today

- ✓ Check in
- ✓ Recap of what has been covered thus far...
- ✓ **Topic Today: GP and Private Practice – Record Keeping and Case Notes**
- ✓ NEXT WEEK Confidentially – Assessment Guidance

Working in a GP/Surgery Practice

- What do you know about working in a GP practice/Surgery?
- Primary Care Counselling
- What needs to be considered?

<http://www.thecounsellorsguide.co.uk/general-practice.html>

Private Practice

- What do you know about private practice in Counselling?
- If you were setting up a practice what needs to be considered?

BACP's standard for accreditation is a practitioner....

- who 'demonstrat[es] the capacity for independent, competent, ethical practice'.
- Private practice is, **arguably, the most challenging way to work since we must be our own organisations, with all that this entails.**
- Many would agree that it is, for this reason, a significant step change up from accreditation.
- I think there needs to be much greater recognition that the initial counselling/psychotherapy qualification is just that – initial; that the invaluable learning and experience undertaken beyond this stage, towards accreditation and perhaps towards private practice, are stages along a professional journey that cannot be rushed.
- <https://www.bacp.co.uk/bacp-journals/therapy-today/2015/february-2015/articles/don-t-rush-into-private-practice/>

Safe working in the Counselling Professions

New Guides for Lone working – Ethics Hub

- <https://www.bacp.co.uk/news/news-from-bacp/2019/1-november-new-lone-working-guide/>

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Record Keeping/Case Notes & Confidentiality

- Why do we need to keep records?
- What do you know about taking notes.
- What guidance have you been provided your placement/training etc.

Next Week

Confidentiality in Organisations
Assessment Guidance
