

# CHAPTER # 01

## INTRODUCTION

### Lecture no: 04

*In today's lecture we will go through the following points.*

- *Personality of a competent social worker*

# PERSONALITY OF A COMPETENT SOCIAL WORKER

*The term personality is defined by oxford dictionary in such a way that "the distinctive characters or qualities of a person is known as personality".*

*Some qualities which are considered necessary for a competent social worker or practitioner are as under.*

## **1) Love for the people.**

*love and care are the universal demands. The more you love and care for some one the more he will cooperate with you. So, a competent social worker must love and care the clients, so that to gap the bridge between them and easily undertake his services.*

## 2) Eager to learn

*No social worker can ever be truly competent if he is not eager to learn. He should learn more so that to deliver better service. The statements like "I work from my experience, I have an intuitive touch and I don't like studying" usually indicate a learning bloc that can seriously hamper competency.*

## 3) Responsible

*A competent social worker should maintain confidence and general ethics of the service delivery. He should be persistence and committed to his work. His responsible attitude can bring a fruitful outcomes to the agency and work on the surface.*

#### **4) Optimist**

*Optimist is generally viewed as looking at the bright side of any thing, means some one remains positive and avoid negating some thing. Thus in this way a professional and competent practitioner should thing positively and believe in change and development. He should never be disappointed or in other words pessimist.*

#### **5) Emotional maturity**

*Though emotional maturity is experienced based capability, however, a professional social worker must try to practice. He should work independently and cope with the frustration. He should control his feelings and correct his own faults.*

## 6) Creativity

*Creativity means create a new idea from some social situation, book, movie or a drama. A competent social work practitioner should be creative by his nature, he should create something from nothing or change or develop some new thing.*

## 7) Knowledgeable, skillful and professional

*Social work is a theoretical as well as practice based service. So, a competent social worker must be able to know the knowledge of social work theoretically. He must be oriented with the skills and professionalism which is provided at the time when he is going through the training process in the concerned institution.*

## **8) Perseverance/determent**

*A competent social worker should be consistence. He should stand fast by his principles. The project he started must carry till end with zeal and determinism. He should provide more assistance with less resources.*

## **9) Good relation with the client**

*The relationship between the social worker and client is called Rapport (Repo). To mobilize in better way it is necessary for the case worker to establish good relationship with the client.*

## 10) Energetic and argumentative

*Social work activity is an exhaustive and hectic work. Only an energetic and a person with reasonable arguments can make it easy and doable. So, a competent social worker must be an energetic and argumentative one to cope with his difficulty easily.*

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