

The 7th ICM Asia Pacific Regional Conference
Pre-Conference Workshop
Wednesday, 26th November 2003
0900 – 1200
Function Room, Hospital authority Building

ETHICS IN MIDWIFERY
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OUTLINE OF WORKSHOP

0900 – 0915 OVERVIEW OF THE MORNING

GOAL OF THE WORKSHOP: “To address the theoretical and applied ethical mandates for professional midwifery practice.”

EXPECTED OUTCOMES OF WORKSHOP

1. Attain a common understanding of values, morals, ethics, and human rights that influence midwifery practice with women.
2. Understand the principles embodied within the ICM *International Code of Ethics for Midwives*, including the concepts of moral rights and duties of a professional midwife.
3. Use the Thompson & Thompson Bioethical Decision-Making Model to participate in an ethical analysis of selected scenarios from midwifery practice.

0915 – 1030 **OUTCOME 1:** UNDERSTAND VALUES, MORALS, ETHICS, HUMAN RIGHTS

- A. Explore commonalities and differences in the definitions of values, morals, ethics, and human rights
- B. Discuss some of the common ethical concerns raised during midwifery practice with women throughout their lives
- C. Identify the impact of human rights violations on the health of women in the world

1030 – 1050 TEA BREAK

1050 – 1150 **OUTCOMES 2 & 3:** ANALYSIS ICM CODE OF ETHICS & BIOETHICAL DECISION-MAKING MODEL

- A. Analyze the ethical precepts that form the foundation of the ICM *International code of Ethics for Midwives (1999)*
- B. Discuss the moral rights and duties of the midwife and how these affect practice
- C. Apply the Thompson & Thompson Bioethical Decision-Making to selected scenarios from midwifery practice

1150 – 1200 SUMMARY AND EVALUATION

1200 – 1300 LUNCH BREAK