

Social Work CE Specialty Track

SW-CE — NASW CEAP

+1.0 CE Clock Hour

PREREQUISITE: Core CE Program (15 sessions) must be completed before enrolling in this specialty track.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Your clients navigate legal institutions that activate their threat responses before a word is spoken. Up to ninety percent of justice-involved individuals have experienced at least one traumatic event. The waiting rooms, security checkpoints, English-only signage, and adversarial procedural design of the institutions they navigate were not built with that knowledge applied. Most social workers have no governance framework for assessing whether those institutions meet trauma-informed design standards.

Session SW1 gives social workers the SAMHSA Four R's framework, the NSAG M1 governance dimensions applied to social work practice environments and legal navigation contexts, and the NASW Code of Ethics obligations — Provisions 1.01, 3.07, and 6.04 — that arise when those environments fall short. The session concludes with a practice application exercise: drafting a governance advocacy letter to a court administrator and scoring a legal aid environment across two M1 dimensions.

WHO THIS IS FOR

- LCSWs
- LSWs
- MSW students in field placement (with supervisor confirmation)
- Social work supervisors
- Social work administrators in legal aid, child welfare, family court, mental health, and medical settings

SESSIONS

Session SW1: Trauma-Informed Social Work and Legal Navigation (1.0 clock hour)

ACCREDITATION STATUS

Accrediting Body	NASW (National Association of Social Workers) — CEAP Program
CE Type / Units	SW-CE clock hours
Credit Hours	1.0 CE clock hour
Status	In Process — NASW CEAP provider status application required — not yet filed
Pathway	Applying through Hawaii Chapter NASW or NASW national CEAP program; state licensing board requirements must be verified separately

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Learning Outcome	Competency Domain	Evidence
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Apply SAMHSA Four R's to identify trauma-activation features in a described social work practice environment or legal navigation context	Human Behavior (C7); Engage with Individuals (C6)	Post-test: identify Four R's failures in a described legal environment
Assess a described institution across NSAG M1 governance dimensions and identify highest-priority governance deficit	Policy Practice (C5); Engage Organizations (C8)	Application exercise: score a described legal aid organization on two M1 dimensions
Identify NASW Code of Ethics obligations arising when a social work practice environment does not meet trauma-informed governance standards	Professional Identity (C1); Ethics (C2)	Post-test: identify Code provisions in a described institutional governance failure scenario

60-MINUTE SESSION STRUCTURE

Session SW1 follows the standard 60-minute structure:

Time	Min	Segment	Content	Credit
0:00–0:03	3	Welcome & Disclaimers	Disclaimer; speaker COI disclosure; CE accreditation status statement	No
0:03–0:08	5	Pre-Test	5-question pre-test on session domain content	Yes
0:08–0:12	4	Overview & Objectives	Three learning objectives; governance problem stated in one sentence with primary evidence source	Yes
0:12–0:22	10	The Governance Problem	Evidence base for the governance gap; primary source cited verbatim	Yes
0:22–0:35	13	Evidence Base	2–3 primary peer-reviewed sources with DOIs; key findings; governance implication per source	Yes
0:35–0:45	10	Six Governance Dimensions	Each dimension defined and illustrated with a profession-specific institutional example	Yes
0:45–0:50	5	PIONEERING Standards	Full PIONEERING tier criteria — observable, documentable governance standards	Yes
0:50–0:57	7	Practice Application Exercise	Active written or structured response required for credit	Yes
0:57–1:00	3	Post-Test & Certificate	5-question post-test; minimum 80% for credit; certificate issued on completion	Yes

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Pre-test (5 questions per session)
- Post-test (5 questions per session; minimum 80% required for credit)
- Practice application exercise (active written or structured response)
- Timed prerecorded video session (60 minutes)
- Certificate of completion (issued on post-test completion)
- Written materials package (substantive outline, authority map, hypothetical)

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