# **Clinical Pastoral Education**

CPE CENTER OF ARCHDIOCESE OF SUVA -CPE Admission Guide 2021

# 1. CLINICAL PASTORAL EDUCATION(CPE)

CPE is a method of professional, theological and pastoral education wherein a student/ trainee learns pastoral care counseling skills within a context of responsible relationship and under the direction of a clinically trained supervisor. It provides continuing education for theological, psychological and emotional concerns of persons in crisis.

CPE asks the student/ trainee to become more aware of himself as the primary source of a well integrated ministry, and to set about developing such personal integration in a more profound way.

A key word in the Clinical pastoral Education experience is relationship. Healing takes place when an atmosphere of love and trust is established. Under the guidance of the supervisor, the student, and with the person to whom he/ she ministers.

Each CPE participant is responsible for providing pastoral care to the patients, family and staff in the hospital unit OR Parish OR Ministerial sites where he/ she is assigned.

## 2. OBJECTIVES

The program is designed to provide or facilitate.

- Growth in personal and professional identity and competence in ministry.

- Greater self-understanding and acceptance of one's potential, inner resources and limitations.

- Skills in effective communication and teamwork.

- Integration of theological understanding and

knowledge of behavioral sciences into personal functioning.

- Growth in conscientization of the dignity of life in all its expressions.

# 3. METHODS

- Individualized areas of responsibility for ministry to persons in need/ crisis.
- Individual Supervision
- Individual Learning Contract
- Small Peer Group Interaction in structured seminar
- Actual Encounters in ministry
- A process concept of learning
- Written Verbatim, Case Studies, Personal Reflections.
- Theological Reflections
- Evaluation of Self in process
- Relevant readings, lectures field trips.
- In this context each participants is expected to demonstrate an openness and willingness to explore his/her attitudes, values and assumptions about life, suffering and death.

#### 4. CPE PROGRAM 2021

BASIC CPE facilitates the process and development of personal and professional identity as minister. The trainee grows in awareness of ways in which one's ministry affects persons. Basic quarters are offered throughout the year for a period of 19 weeks.

#### CPE Dates: Every Tuesday and Wednesday From 4th May till 8th September, 2021 (2 days a week for 19 weeks)

- Venue: Presbytery Conference Room, Sacred Heart Cathedral, Suva
- **Number of Students:** At the most 9 persons(1 group)

• Screening Interview of the Applicants: 1st February until 28th February, 2021

## **5. CPE REQUIREMENTS**

- Sufficient education and experience to benefit from the experience.
- Interest and active faith.
- Completed application form after screening interview.

## **Tuition Fee**

One Quarter of CPE is \$400. A downpayment of at least half of the total account is to be paid upon submission of the application form. Remaining balance of the tuition fee for Full Quarter Program to be paid by mid-quarter; 9th Week.

## A downpayment is non-refundable.

- Personal Interview with CPE Supervisor.
- Acceptance of CPE Supervisor.

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