**SECTION II. MICRO SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE**

**SOCIAL WORK COMPETENCIES – INTEGRITY**

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| Integrity | Social workers must always demonstrate professional decorum. Patients should reliably have confidence in the social worker’s practice skills and believe social workers are working in their best interests. This means a social worker would inform and remind Mbaye and his family about the social worker’s roles in the hospital, things that the social worker can do within the scope of their job, and those things that are limitations. Social workers keep in constant communication and follow up with Mbaye and his parents about the hospital’s plans for intervention, treatment, and next steps, up to and including homecare and discharge. |

**SOCIAL WORK COMPETENCIES – INTEGRITY - MICRO PRACTICE ACTIVITY**

**CSWE core principle – SOCIAL WORKERS BEHAVE IN A TRUSTWORTHY MANNER**

Social workers are continually aware of the profession’s mission, values, ethical principles, and ethical standards and practice in a manner consistent with them. Social workers should take measures to care for themselves professionally and personally. Social workers act honestly and responsibly and promote ethical practices on the part of the organizations with which they are affiliated

**Foundation activity:** Mbaye feels better and expresses to his mother and father he is ready to go home. The medical staff, through an interpreter informed him and his family, the doctors do not recommend discharge yet. Since Mbaye has had a brain injury, they want to monitor him for another two days.

While maintaining the role and scope of a medical social worker, outline your understanding of the doctor and nurse’s recommendations for Mbaye, in no more than three sentences.

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**IFSW core principle – PROFESSIONAL INTEGRITY**

Social workers must hold the required qualifications and develop and maintain the required skills and competencies to do their job. This includes not abusing their positions of power and relationships of trust with people that they engage with; they recognize the boundaries between personal and professional life and do not abuse their positions for personal material benefit or gain.

**Advanced activity:** In three sentences, provide a critique to Mbaye and his parents about why he would be safer in the hospital for the next three days as opposed to going home.

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