

# SAC News Bulletin July 2019

## Member Profile Update and Payment Methods

In order to receive up-to-date news and other information, please kindly update us via email at [admin@sacsingapore.org](mailto:admin@sacsingapore.org) as well as your profile on the membership portal should there be any changes in your personal details (e.g. address/email/etc).

In our previous e-newsletters, we have informed you regarding the introduction of PayNow for easy payment. For cheque payment, we would like you to take note of our new address once again to avoid confusion and missing cheques (Attention to: SAC Admin). For bank transfers, kindly include your membership number in the transaction and send us a screenshot of your payment to confirm that your payment has been completed. Our mailing address is at Singapore Association for Counselling, 190 Clemenceau Ave #06-01 Singapore 239924. For any financial matters, kindly email to [finance@sacsingapore.org](mailto:finance@sacsingapore.org).

For PayNow, kindly refer to the following QR code for payment.

**UEN No. S83SS0024D**

**PAY  
NOW**



**SCAN TO PAY**

**For payment by internet banking**

Account name : Singapore Association for Counselling  
Bank name : DBS Bank  
Autosave Account No. : 010-013101-4

Please enter remitter's name and account number in bank form and send us an email informing us the date of the bank transfer.

## Follow-Ups on EOGM (Interim Revision: Criteria for New SAC Registered Clinical Supervisor Applicants from July 2019)

During our 37th Annual General Meeting ("AGM") held on 29 March 2019, we informed you that an Extraordinary General Meeting ("EOGM") might be called sometime in end June 2019 to discuss and decide on the review of the Clinical Supervision Components and Qualifying Standards.

In the months since the AGM, the EXCO and Clinical Supervision Board ("CSB") met on numerous occasions to deliberate on the review and observed the following:

1. Due to the growing number of counsellors in the field, as well as the increasing number of retiring supervisors, there remains a strong demand for clinical supervisors.
2. At the same time, the CSB, through processing Registered Clinical Supervisor ("RCS") applications, found that many could not meet the criteria of 150 hours of training in clinical supervision.
3. Notwithstanding the continued advocacy to increase supervision standards, the CSB and EXCO jointly proposed for a revision of the criteria to 50 hours of training in clinical supervision, subject to a review, which will be deliberated further with members.

*As the proposed interim revision is operational in nature, with the key aims of facilitating the clearance of current applications and addressing the growing need for RCS, we will commence implementation of the revised criteria with effect from **01 July 2019**.*

*In the meantime, SAC will encourage the development of more training opportunities for members in the area of clinical supervision.*

*The above is an excerpt of the email dated 24 Jun 2019 that was sent to all members. Should you have related enquiries, you may give us a call at (65) 6708 8292 or write to us at [admin@sacsingapore.org](mailto:admin@sacsingapore.org).*

## **Renewal of Registered Counsellor and Professional Indemnity Insurance**

*For renewal of Registered Counsellor certification, which applies to Clinical Members and above, whose Registered Counsellor certificate is expiring end of June 2019, you would have received an email from us regarding the renewal process and payment details. Please take note that the approval status of your submission will take 1-2 months. We seek your kind understanding and patience.*

*The SAC Professional Indemnity Insurance is generally offered to Provisional Clinical Members and above. Notwithstanding, please note that pursuant to Article 5.5.1 of the SAC Constitution, it is mandatory for all Registered Counsellors to possess professional indemnity coverage. To opt in, kindly access <https://forms.gle/PLYX4VCGZ1BTMa4F8> to indicate your interest. Please make payment only after you have received an invoice from us. If you are covered under your organisation, please write to [admin@sacsingapore.org](mailto:admin@sacsingapore.org) to request for the Professional Indemnity Exemption Form.*

*If you have sent in before, you will not be required to submit again. Please also take note that the validity period of the insurance is July 2019 to June 2020 and coverage will only take place upon receipt of payment.*

## **Membership Portal Updates**

*With regard to the membership portal, we have collated feedback from members and we are in the midst of upgrading the portal to better facilitate the submission of applications. Currently, here are some of the changes/upgrades that you can enjoy using:*

- *Able to use email or membership number to log in to the membership portal*
- *Addition of "Conversion" tab: allows members to perform membership upgrade online*
- *Members can click on "forget password" link where needed*
- *Removal of "Membership Renewal" tab: Your membership will be automatically renewed upon receipt of payment for annual membership fee that is due every January.*

*Here are some of the several upgrades that we are currently in the midst of:*

- *Showing of the validity dates of Registered Counsellor/Supervisor status and Professional Indemnity Insurance*
- *Displaying of payment status*
- *Addition of professional listings (search for counsellors)*

- *Member's Resignation tab*

## **SAC Publication of Savvy Therapist**

*We are sad to inform you that due to a shortage of manpower, SAC has decided to cease the publication of the Savvy Therapist. A biannual e-magazine, The Savvy Therapist had been in publication since 2015, and had brought counselling related information of what is happening in the region and in the world to our members. We would like to thank all readers for your continuous support throughout these years, and also to all the contributors, for the valuable content that you have brought to the magazine.*

## **Upcoming Workshops**

- Emotionally Focused Couple Therapy Module A (5th - 6th, 8th - 9th July 2019) by CaperSpring

*\*For more details of the workshops, kindly visit <http://sacsingapore.org/events-publication/events/calendar-of-events-workshops/>*