**Healthcare Ethics Basics Course COP Outline**

**Module 5 Capacity**

**Agenda**

1. **Welcome and Grounding (~5 minutes)**

Re-post Group Norms in the Chat: Confidentiality; Presence and Engagement; Respectful Communication; Welcoming Diverse Perspectives and Experiences; Generosity (taking a risk and sharing; giving space to others)

1. **Key Themes and Ideas from the Module (~15 minutes)**
   1. What is your initial reaction when discussing the concept of capacity?
   2. Why is capacity important? (ethics, law, policy)
   3. The healthcare consent act identifies three separate areas where capacity is assessed: 1. Treatment decisions, 2. Admission to care facilities including LTC, and 3. Offering of personal service assistance. What do you tend to see in your organization? How do you approach capacity in your practice? Where does the complexity lie?
2. **Case Study Discussion (~35 minutes)**

CASE QUESTIONS: Application of the IDEA Framework

**What is the ethical question/concern?**

**Apply the IDEA Framework:**

1. **I**dentify the facts (clinical/medical, individual preferences, evidence, and contextual factors). What further information might you need? Does the decision-maker in this case understand the diagnosis and prognosis, reasonable options, the harms and benefits of each option, and the consequences of not having treatment?
2. **D**etermine the relevant ethical principles
3. **E**xplore the options (What are the harms & benefits if Mrs. Z doesn’t get the PICC line inserted? What laws and/or policies are relevant to this case? Who else might you contact to assist within your organization?)

What is the most ethically justifiable option?

1. **A**ct (recommend, implement, and evaluate)

Am I comfortable with this decision?

1. **Final Remarks, Summary and Closing Practice (~5 minutes)**