



2025 Fall Social Work Conference The Power of Practice: Wisdom from the Field

Friday, October 3, 2025 | 8:15 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. | South Park Plaza, JB101 & Online

Time	Event
8:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.	Arrival and check-in
8:15 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Welcome and introductions
8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Harm Reduction as the Key to Survivor Safety Tiffany Alexander, MA, LPC-A and Alix Wickline, MSW, LISW-CP
9:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Break
9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	Suicide Assessment, Treatment and Management Daniel R. Gaita, MA, LMSW, LISW-CP
10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Break
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Digital Empathy: Maintaining the Human Touch in an Automated World Heather Ritson, LBSW, MOD
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Ethics for Social Workers Michael Budlong, LCSW, LISW
2:00 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	Break
2:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.	When Systems Collide: The Intersectionality of Criminal Justice and Mental Health Kwanza Winn, LCSW, LISW-CP
3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Break
3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Embedding Reach Out and Read Guidance in Pediatric Social Work Encounters Emily Bartels, State Director and Deb LaRoche, MSW, LISW
4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Closing remarks and adjournment

6.0 CEs available

For any questions, please contact psych-events@musc.edu.