### SW 572 -Social Work Practice in HIV and Other Infectious Diseases

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## **Course Objectives:**

- Understand HIV and Other Communicable diseases
- HIV/AIDS and infectious diseases as a health and development issue
- Understand the social dimension of HIV/AIDS and infectious diseases
- Learn social work profession's response to HIV/AIDS and PLHA, and Infectious Diseases

## **Learning Outcome:**

- Understand Concept of infectious diseases and emerging diseases
- Develop Critical Understanding of Programme and Services in India
- Skill to Plan Social Work Intervention

#### **COURSE CONTENT**

## **Unit I: Introduction to Infectious Disease Epidemiology**

- Diseases: Concept and Types Persons affected and Infected
- Health and epidemiological transition: Global and India
- Principles of Infectious Diseases; Outbreak Investigation; Disease Surveillance; Principles of Screening and Screening Tests
- Major infectious diseases and modes of transmission: Food-borne Illness; Zoonotic Diseases; Vector-Borne Diseases; Other Parasitic Diseases; Sexually Transmitted Diseases- HIV/AIDS; Covid19, Viral Hepatitis

## Unit II: Major infectious and Emerging diseases and global responses

- Epidemiology of infectious diseases: HIV, Malaria, Tuberculosis
- Emerging Infectious Diseases: SARS, Swine flu, Ebola Zika and Covid19
- Infectious disease control programmes for TB, Malaria, vaccine preventable diseases

### **Unit III HIV /AIDS: Programmes and Services**

- Stigma, prejudice and discrimination faced by PLHA and their family members; Human rights and legal issues in HIV/AIDS
- National AIDS Control Programme: Components of comprehensive care: Testing, Counselling (Pre and post-test counselling; Crisis intervention and grief counselling), Care and Support for PLHA
- National AIDS prevention and control policy

### UNIT IV: Social Work Interventions in HIV and Other Communicable Diseases

- Greater Involvement of people with AIDS (GIPA) and PLHA Networks: NGO response and network of positive people. GIPA Models
- Advocacy, community mobilization, lobby efforts and networking with AIDS Service Organizations (ASO)
- Social Workers Role in Infectious diseases control

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