

The Social Worker's Pledge

Please listen as the following charge is given to you. At the conclusion of each section, I will pause, and you will be asked to respond with "I do".

"Do you solemnly pledge in the presence of this assembly to faithfully and ethically practice the profession of social work. To do all in your power to make and maintain the highest standards and practices of the profession? (Student's respond "I do")"

Will you constantly endeavor to increase your knowledge and skills in social work and to practice within your area of competence, developing and enhancing your professional expertise? (Student's respond "I do")

Do you pledge to keep the confidentiality of your clients, safeguarding and promoting the empowerment, equality, and self-determination of such clients? (Student's respond "I do")

Will you endeavor to fulfill your rights and privileges as a social worker and take your share of responsibility in promoting the welfare of the society? (Student's respond "I do")

Do you promise to address social problems; to challenge social injustice; to respect the inherent dignity and worth of each person; to recognize and respect the central importance of human relationships; and to behave in a trustworthy manner? (Student's respond "I do")

Finally, do you pledge to keep the standards in the NASW Code of Ethics to clients, colleagues, in practice settings, to the social work profession, and to the broader society? (Student's respond "I do")