

Covid-19 Specific Activities Initiated By Department Of Psychiatric Social Work,
LGBRIMH

- Sobhana H was nominated as a representative of LGBRIMH to the National COVID-19 Task Force. She attended a meeting on finalising the draft of Psychosocial Action Plan for COVID-19 response on 6th May 2020 organised by NIMHANS Bengaluru. This action plan was to be submitted to Ministry of Health & Family Welfare.

- Dr. Sonia P Deuri was panellist for e-FDP – Importance of Cross Disciplinary research in the post COVID-19 scenario: Social perspectives. She presented a paper on ‘Social Realm in Mental Health: Have we finally arrived’ organised by Royal Global University, Guwahati on 22-06-2020.

- Sobhana H was a Panellist for the Virtual Consultation on Pathfinding New Facet in Field Work Training on 08-05-2020 organised by Department of Social Work, Kristu Jayanti College, Bengaluru. This panel consisted of Heads and Field Work Coordinators from various schools of Social Work across India to discuss field work training during pandemic.

- On 3rd June, 2020 the Department initiated Phone-in Follow-up Services for the registered patients of LGBRIMH. The services aims at assessment of current psychiatric status of the persons with mental illness, their biological and social functioning and provision of brief psychosocial intervention when indicated. The phone-in follow-up service also provides telemedicine helpline for those who are not

aware of these services and also provide COVID awareness and precautions to be followed.

- Dr. Sonia P Deuri was the reviewer of Guidelines for Tele-Psychiatry Social Work Practice published by Department of Psychiatric Social Work, NIMHANS, Bengaluru.

- The Department of Psychiatric Social Work, LGBRIMH attended the release of Guidelines for Tele-Psychiatry Social Work Practice published by Department of Psychiatric Social Work, NIMHANS, Bengaluru.