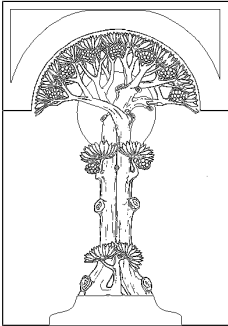


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# Intermediate Course in Medical Homeopathy

A Blended Course in Homeopathic Medicine for Healthcare Professionals

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## Unit 31

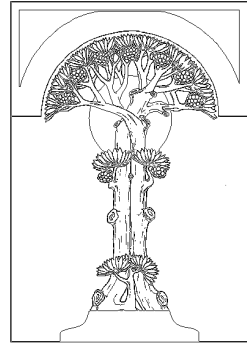
**PRINCIPLES & PRACTICE** - Supervised Case Taking - Week 11

Instructions / Guidance / Consent

Student (name):

Scheduled date for session:

## Supervised Case Taking Session



### Notes on Setting Up (Interviewer)

If you are **sharing a consulting space** with your interview subject or volunteer please ensure:

1. that your consulting space is suitable.  
If your 'patient' is not someone in your family 'bubble' please observe all relevant social distancing guidelines as appropriate for your location
2. that your computer microphone will operate over the distances involved.  
Ideally use an external / usb microphone situated at equal distances from you and your patient / subject. Test your computer sound before the scheduled start time if possible
3. allow 10 minutes before the scheduled start time to explain the purpose of the session to your patient / subject and ensure that they are comfortable with the arrangement.  
Please check that your patient has understood the guidelines provided overleaf.
4. activate the zoom link 5 minutes before the scheduled start time to allow introductions.  
(Bear in mind that, at the beginning of the interview, you will re-enact your introduction for the sake of completeness, to show the supervisor how you would choose to open the session and engage rapport.

If you are **interviewing via a three way zoom link** (ie with your subject/patient at a remote location), please ensure that the patient has read and understood the conditions and advice provided overleaf.

Please copy the zoom link to your 'patient' well in advance of the session and check that they know how to use it.

### Notes:

We have allowed an hour for this interview and notionally 15 minutes for discussion. The first five minutes of the final discussion will provide the patient / interview subject with a brief opportunity to express how they feel the interview went and make observations or constructive comments if they wish.

It is important that the **interviewer** makes a clear decision concerning whether they would like the 'patient' to remain for the rest of the discussion. The patient should be thanked and dismissed entirely at the discretion of the interviewer.

## Guidance for the 'Patient'

Thank you for agreeing to take part in this session.

We have arranged this interview to provide your **Interviewer** with an opportunity to conduct the kind of case history that would be expected of a homeopathic practitioner and to reflect on their interview skills. The session will be observed remotely by a qualified homeopathic doctor (**Observer**). He / she is required to respect the confidentiality of everyone involved and will not take part in the interview itself. He / she, however, may provide some guidance for the **Interviewer** at the end of the session.

Because this is a simulation, **you do not need to discuss any problem that is real to you**, unless you wish to. You can role-play the entire consultation if you would prefer not to discuss real problems. The object of the exercise is not to identify a treatment for you, but to look at how the **Interviewer** gathers information on your 'problem'.

However, if you do wish to discuss a real problem and would like your interviewer and supervisor to propose a treatment, you should make this clear at the end of the consultation.

There is, however, no guarantee that the information you provide will lead to a useful prescribing suggestion. Neither the **Interviewer** nor the **Supervisor** are liable for any clinical advice or treatment recommendation that might be discussed during this training session, because this is not the primary objective of the consultation.

The **Interviewer** and the remote **Observer** may make notes throughout the interview to help guide their discussion afterwards. All information is treated in strict confidence. No records of the interview will be held by the remote observer after the teaching session has been concluded. The **interviewer** can retain a case record if you would like to speak with them about possible treatment but only if you have provided consent for this, otherwise **all** written records of the interview will be erased and destroyed at the end of the session.

The **interviewer** may ask separately for the consultation to be recorded, entirely for the purposes of their own training. No remote copy will be kept and video recording can only take place with your consent. Any video recording made in the course of this training session will be erased after the **Interviewer** has viewed it.

You have the right to request that the interview be halted at any time and any records made up to that point will be erased at your request.

### Declaration of Agreement:

I have read and understand the above guidelines and agree to participate on the basis of these.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ (Interviewer)

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Patient / Friend / Relation / Other \_\_\_\_\_\*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_