

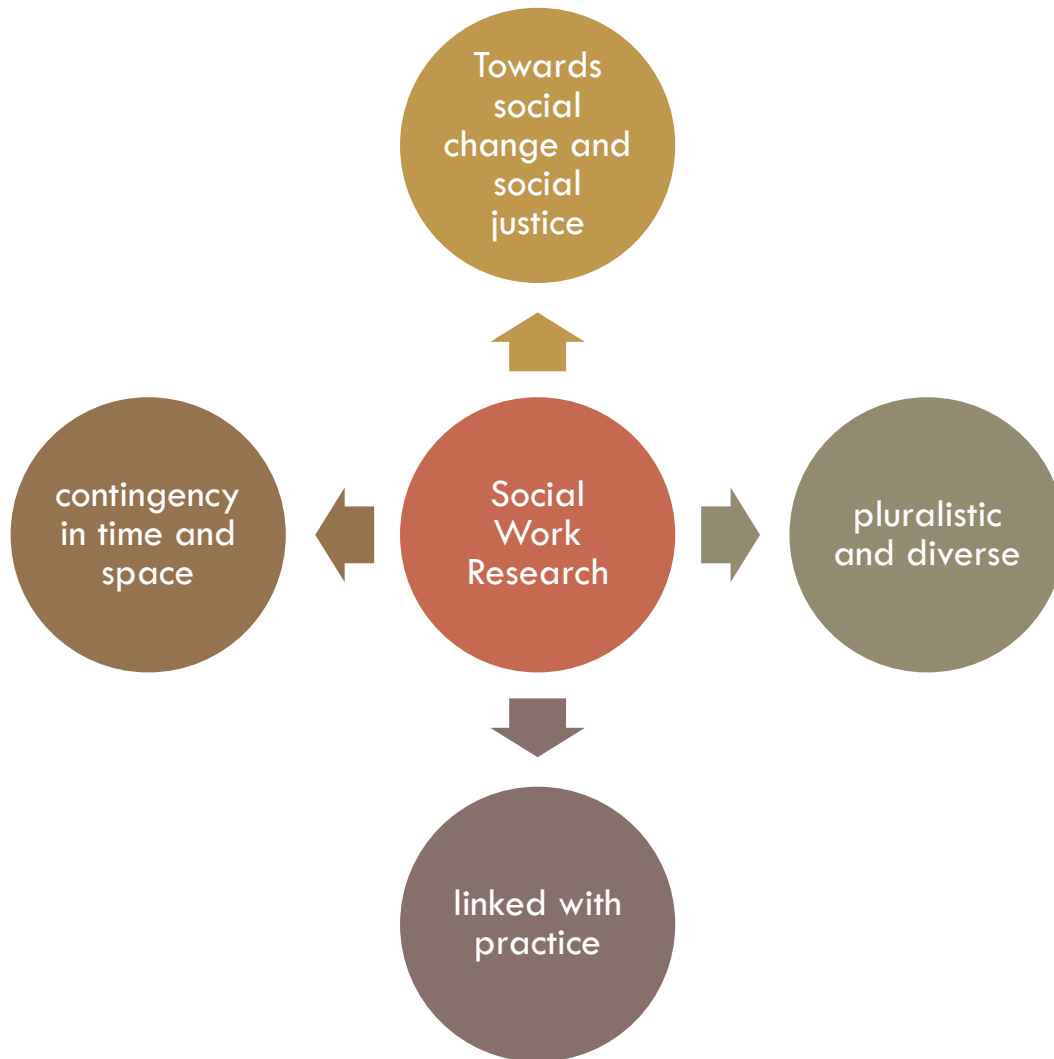
DOCUMENTING THROUGH PHOTOVOICE: ETHICAL DILEMMA OF INVOLVING PARTICIPANTS AS RESEARCH TEAM

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OBJECTIVE

- To raise the awareness of the ethical issues in participatory research in social work context

CONTEXT: RESEARCH IN SOCIAL WORK



(Hardwick & Worsley, 2011; Shaw, 2010)

EMPOWERMENT

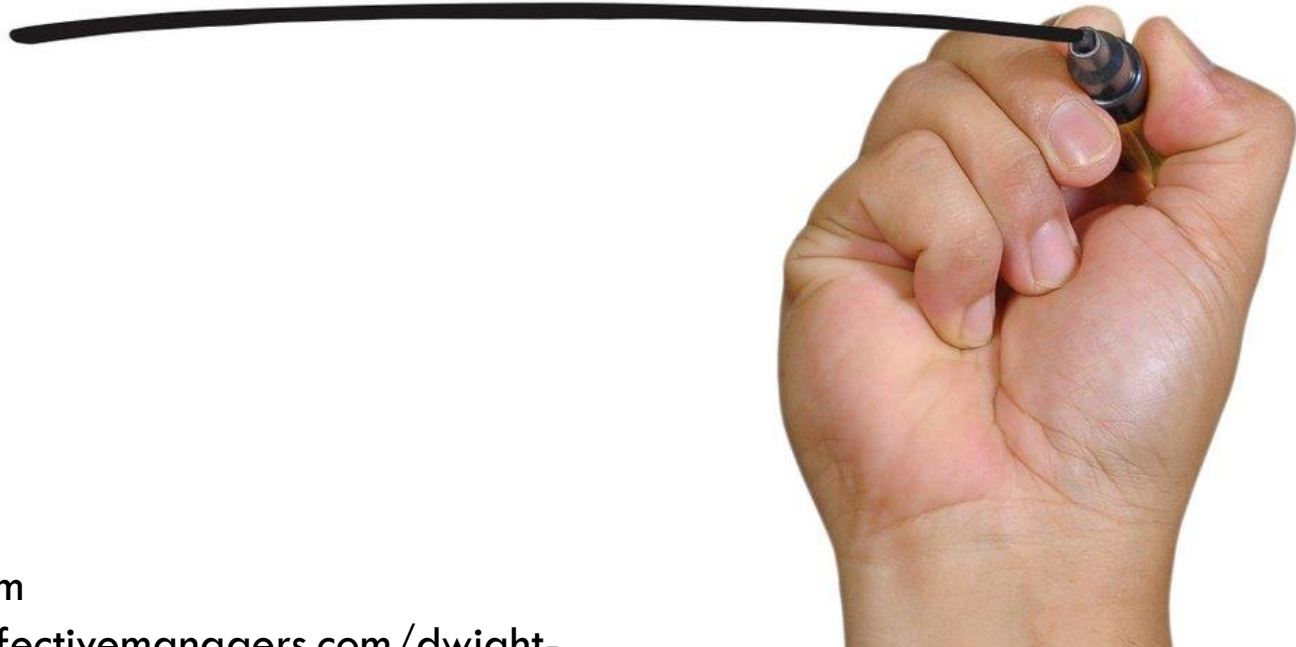


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<https://effectivemanagers.com/dwight-mihalicz/the-secret-formula-for-successful-empowerment/>

PARTICIPATORY RESEARCH

- Collaboration between professional and the public
- Democracy: participants can be subjects and partners in research
- Exercising safe space
- Defining collaboration partners
- Degrees of participation
- (Bergold and Thomas, 2012)

Participatory

Research

as

empowerment

strategy



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有誰共鳴

受濕疹影響人士的賦權計劃

研究詳情

對象：18歲或以上、操流利廣東話，現在受濕疹影響的人士

PHOTOVOICE

- A form of participatory research
- as ‘a process by which people can identify, represent, and enhance their community’ (Wang and Burris 1997)
- to empower people to capture and reflect on community assets and concerns through phototaking



ETHICAL DILEMMA AND WAY-OUT

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<https://pixabay.com/photos/blonde-girl-taking-photo-629726/>



CONCERN FROM RESEARCH ETHICS COMMITTEE

Informed consent?

What happened when non-research participants is being taken in by research participants?

Freedom to participate/
withdraw?

Data storage and retention?

CONCERN FROM RESEARCH PARTICIPANTS

- Feeling embarrassed
- Novel experience
- Hard to locate their preferred objects

Image from
https://www.reddit.com/r/trebuchetmemes/comments/870bo3/literally_just_a_guy_thinking_about_a_trebuchet/





REFLECTION

- Who are we?
- What is our purpose?



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