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An Ecosystemic Understanding of Child Sexual Abuse

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Friday, May 4th, 2012 9:00am-4:00pm
University Center | Webb Room
CSA Core 2 | 6 CE Credits
To Register: www.widenerconferences.com



Workshop Description

Child sexual abuse treatment is a specialized therapeutic approach to the traumatic symptoms that are caused by the experience of being molested. To fully understand the nature of child sexual abuse and its treatment, it is necessary to clearly define what it is (and isn't), the legal aspects of child sexual abuse, and how prevalent the problem is in our society. A broader look will include a review of the psychology of offenders, the interaction between offenders and victims, and how that interaction informs approaches to treatment of children and adults who are survivors of sexual abuse. Defining treatment goals, along with methods to reach those goals, will be discussed. Finally, the impact on the therapist of engaging in child sexual abuse treatment will be examined.

This is the Core Knowledge Part 2 for the Child Sexual Abuse Treatment Certificate.



Objectives

Participation in this workshop will enable you to:

- Give definitions of child sexual abuse from three standpoints: legal, psychological, societal.
- Understand the dynamics of child sexual abuse as the interaction between abused and offender .
- Describe how the offender's thinking and action impact the abused and thereby makes recovery difficult.
- Define the goals of treatment of an abused person and some treatment methods that are effective.
- Have greater awareness of the impact of working with CSA on ourselves as therapists.
- Identify ways to be more involved in treating CSA successfully in your own practice.

6 CE credits will be offered to participants completing post-workshop forms. Widener University, The Institute for Graduate Clinical Psychology, is approved by the American Psychological Association to offer continuing education for psychologists. Widener University Maintains responsibility for the program. Widener University, The Center for Social Work Education, is approved by the Pennsylvania State Board of Social Work Examiners to offer continuing education for social workers.

CSA = Applies to Child Sexual Abuse Treatment Certificate Program
ECMH = Applies to the Early Childhood Mental Health Certificate Program

Individuals do not need to be enrolled in a certificate program to attend this workshop

*Note: Mandatory/Core Knowledge workshops for one certificate program cannot be applied to another certificate program.

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