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ESFT with Couples
Justin Corrocher, M.A., LPC, LMFT, January 12, 2018  9:00 am  to 4:30 pm  $150 6 CE Advanced Level  This workshop focuses on the use of the Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy model to help couples withstand the complex emotional, developmental and ecological pressures that influence contemporary relational life. Through lecture, discussion and video clips, a variety of techniques will be presented to guide clinicians both in assessing couples and in collaborating with them on the use of interventions that reduce conflict and promote healthy communication. Educational Objectives: 1) identify two positive and two negative factors which influence the developing couple; 2) identify two important relationship dimensions during the assessment process; 3) describe a balanced therapeutic system; 4) describe how to collaborate with relational partners to cultivate relational themes and goals; 5) recognize the use of enactment both as an assessment tool and as an intervention to create relational change.

ESFT with Young Children
Justin Corrocher, M.A., LPC, LMFT, February 2, 2018  9:00 am  to 12:15 pm  $90 3 CE Advanced Level  This workshop provides an integrative family-developmental model based on Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy and Dr. Stanley Greenspan’s work. This model focuses on understanding and treating problems of infants, toddlers, and preschoolers. Primary focus is given to assessment and intervention with problems involving excessive anxiety or issues of behavioral control. Educational Objectives: 1) describe a framework for assessing and treating common problems in children; 2) identify two social and emotional developmental milestones in young children; 3) identify two interventions used in family treatment of young children.

ESFT with Adolescents
Ann Itzkowitz, M.A., LMFT, February 2, 2018  1:15 pm  to 4:30 pm  $90 3 CE Advanced Level  This workshop begins with an overview of “normal” adolescence with major developmental issues, typical behaviors and problem indicators in early adolescence (ages 11-13), middle adolescence (ages 14-16), and late adolescence (ages 17-19). The application of the Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy 4-stage treatment model to adolescents evidencing depression and suicidality is then demonstrated through videotaped case materials. Educational Objectives: 1) identify at least three symptoms of depression in early, middle or late adolescence; 2) identify at least three indicators of suicidality in adolescents; 3) recognize the steps to be used when the adolescent is in danger of harming him/herself.

ESFT with Adult Children
Marion Lindblad-Goldberg, Ph.D., LMFT, April 20, 2018  9:00 am  to 12:15 pm  $90 3 CE Advanced Level  This workshop demonstrates the use of an ESFT marathon model to treat families with adult children. Focus is given to the impact of sibling relationships during this stage of family development. The use of time as an intervention that compresses the therapist’s movement through the 4-stages of ESFT is highlighted through videotaped case material. Educational Objectives: 1) demonstrate an ESFT adult family therapy marathon; 2) recognize how to effect change using affect; 3) list two common interventions used in ESFT with adult children.
ESFT with Divorcing Families
Marion Lindblad-Goldberg, Ph.D., LMFT, April 20, 2018 1:15 pm to 4:30 pm $90 3CE Advanced Level
Chronically warring couples, children used as pawns, and spouses who prolong the moment of separation are components of the difficult divorce. This workshop examines the developmental tasks and clinical issues presented by divorcing families using videotape case material. Clinical assessment and intervention strategies are highlighted in the divorce process of pre-separation, separation, and post-divorce. Educational Objectives: 1) describe the dynamics in families navigating the divorce process; 2) explain at least two post-divorce parenting styles and their impact on the child; 3) identify at least two therapeutic interventions used in divorce therapy.

ESFT with Single Parent Families
Marion Lindblad-Goldberg, Ph.D., LMFT, May 4, 2018 9:00 am to 12:15 pm $90 3CE Advanced Level
Most clinicians do not appreciate what an adaptive single parent family looks like or how it functions. This workshop describes an empirically-derived model of adaptive single parent functioning. The phases and tasks necessary for healthy single parent family development are discussed. Clinical interventions for correcting common non-adaptive family patterns are demonstrated through videotaped case material. Educational Objectives: 1) summarize a model of adaptive functioning with single parent families; 2) identify at least two assessment and intervention areas with single parent families; 3) identify at least two interventions that will aid adaptive family functioning.

ESFT with Remarried or Co-habitating Families
Marion Lindblad-Goldberg, Ph.D., LMFT, May 4, 2018 1:15 pm to 4:30 pm $90 3CE Advanced Level
This workshop covers the core clinical issues of men, women and children living in remarried families. Descriptions of common pitfalls found in remarried life are presented. Videotaped case material will illustrate effective assessment and treatment interventions. Educational Objectives: 1) summarize issues of children, men, and women in remarriage; 2) describe effective assessment strategies for remarried families; 3) describe effective treatment strategies for remarried families.

ESFT Conceptual Foundations, Historical Context, and Stages of the Model
Marion Lindblad-Goldberg, Ph.D., LMFT, September 11, 2018 9:00 am to 12:15 pm $90 3CE Advanced Level
An overview of the Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy (ESFT) model is provided which gives focus to 1) conceptual foundations, 2) model stages, and 3) change foci. The ESFT model is then contrasted with other family therapy models. Brief videotaped case segments illustrate the ESFT model. Empirical research describes the clinical effectiveness of ESFT with children and adolescents having severe emotional and behavioral disturbances. Educational Objectives: 1) describe the theoretical foundations of the ESFT model; 2) describe how ESFT differs from other family therapy models; 3) describe the ESFT clinical effectiveness research.
ESFT Socio-Cultural Power and Privilege
Lisa Christian, M.S.W., LSW, September 11, 2018  1:15 pm to 4:30 pm $90 3CE Advanced Level
Conceptualizations of power and privilege have deepened over the last two decades. Therapists today understand power and privilege operate within more complex contexts. Not only is gender a context in which these forces are abused, but these forces also operate within the contexts of race, ethnicity, class, sexual orientation and religion. This workshop explores expressions of power and privilege within these contexts. Dialogue is essential as participants are encouraged to share their own experiences. **Educational Objectives:** 1) identify at least two major contributions to theories of power and privilege in the last two decades; 2) discuss one new idea relative to issues of power and privilege; 3) describe how power issues shape individual psychology as well as relational structure and dynamics.

ESFT Socio-Cultural Influences African-American Families
Joyce Dukes, M.S., M.Phil., LMFT, David Edmonds, M.S.W., September 12, 2018  9:00 am to 12:15 pm $90 3CE Advanced Level
While race is a key organizing principle in therapy, most therapists do not acquire the skills and sensitivities necessary to deal with racial subtleties. It is important that therapists discover ways to enhance their racial awareness. A “looking within” process requires therapists to explore their racial identities and beliefs and to challenge the ways in which their roles as therapists are impacted. This workshop encourages participant discussion of a) personal experiences with African-American families; b) how therapist and client cognitive and emotional conceptualization of race contributes to the overall therapeutic alliance; c) the special challenges faced by young African-American men and women; and d) how to value the strengths of the extended African-American family. **Educational Objectives:** 1) describe the variability of African-American families; 2) identify stereotypes of African-American families; 3) recognize participants’ own racial beliefs.

ESFT Stage I: Constructing a Therapeutic System
Marion Lindblad-Goldberg, Ph.D., LMFT, September 12, 2018  1:15 pm to 4:30 pm $90 3CE Advanced Level
The most important element in the ESFT model is therapeutic alliance-building or “joining.” Without a strong therapeutic relationship, there is no meaningful treatment. In this workshop, focus is given to the discussion and demonstration of joining strategies with caregivers and children. These strategies are demonstrated using videotaped case clips. Several scaling devices are described for use by the clinician to assess the strength of the therapeutic alliance with caregivers and youth. **Educational Objectives:** 1) describe the characteristics of an ESFT therapeutic alliance; 2) recognize five joining strategies for strengthening the therapeutic alliance with parents and children; 3) identify how to use therapeutic alliance scales to assess the strength of a clinician’s engagement skills.

ESFT Stage II: Creating a Meaningful Focus: From Assessment to Reframing
Marion Lindblad-Goldberg, Ph.D., LMFT, September 13, 2018  9:00 am to 12:15 pm $90 3CE Advanced Level
ESFT assessment methods invite family members to participate in new conversations that humanize, contextualize and identify potential directions for change in non-adaptive family patterns. The use of family assessment tools such as genograms, critical event time-lines, eco-maps, structural maps, and core negative interaction patterns (CNIP) will be demonstrated. Focus is given to how the clinician develops a relational and contextual reframe of the problem(s). **Educational Objectives:** 1) describe at least two of the ESFT assessment tools; 2) recognize a relational reframe of the identified patient’s symptomatic behavior; 3) describe how to use assessment methods to strengthen the therapeutic alliance.
ESFT Individual Diagnosis in Clinical Case Formulation
C. Pace Duckett, M.D., September 13, 2018 1:15 pm to 4:30 pm $90 3CE Advanced Level
This workshop is designed to help the family systems oriented practitioner understand the importance of individual-level assessment or diagnosis and to learn strategies for integrating this information into a comprehensive systemic case formulation. An overview of the DSM-5 will be given. The major changes from DSM-IV TR to DSM-5 are reviewed for child and adolescent diagnostic categories. In addition, attention is given to several of the more established rating scales which are used to facilitate the diagnostic process.

Educational Objectives: 1) recognize individual level data when designing family systems oriented treatment; 2) identify the major DSM-5 child and adolescent disorders; 3) strengthen skills in obtaining meaningful individual data and in making diagnoses.

Ethical/Legal Issues in Family Treatment
Ann Itzkowitz, M.A., LMFT, September 14, 2018 9:00 am to 12:15 pm $90 3CE Advanced Level
This workshop addresses ethical and legal issues in clinical work with children, adolescents and families. Specific areas for discussion come from frequently-stated practice concerns voiced by professionals in the fields of psychology, social work, marriage and family therapy, and professional counseling. These concerns include ethical decision-making, patient diagnosis and confidentiality in a family context, child abuse and mandatory reporting, and custody problems.

Educational Objectives: 1) summarize an ethical decision-making process within a family treatment context; 2) apply ethical considerations to issues of patient diagnosis and confidentiality in family treatment; 3) apply ethical considerations to issues of child maltreatment and mandatory reporting, and custody problems.

ESFT Stage III: Creating Key Growth Promoting Experiences: Content and Process Interventions
Marion Lindblad-Goldberg, Ph.D., LMFT, September 28, 2018 9:00 am to 12:15 pm $90 3CE Advanced Level
Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy is an empirically-based treatment model. Within this stage of treatment there are specific interventions that produce incremental change in four important areas of family functioning: co-caregiver-alliance; attachment; executive functioning and self-regulation. This workshop describes and demonstrates structural interventions such as: boundary making, punctuating behavioral complementarity; eliciting strengths, unbalancing power alignments, and raising intensity. Special emphasis is given to the use of enactment as an intervention. Enactments are demonstrated that: 1) test hypotheses about current family structure and strength of attachment and, 2) promote growth in these family interactions.

Educational Objectives: 1) describe at least two ESFT interventions; 2) describe the four phases of an enactment; 3) recognize enactments that promote executive functioning or attachment.
ESFT Stage III: Promoting Secure Caregiver-Child Attachments to Increase Emotion Regulation and Distress Tolerance

Justin Corrocher, M.A., LPC, LMFT, October 19, 2018 9:00 am to 12:15 pm $90 3CE Advanced Level

Current research strongly supports that children with secure attachments to caregivers develop effective and lasting strategies for emotion regulation and distress tolerance. Therefore, clinicians need to help parents overcome emotional and behavioral obstacles that block attachment security. This workshop helps clinicians to attune themselves to patterns of attachment and distress tolerance in families. Focus is also given to designing family session interventions that help caregivers validate the emotional experiences of children and also coach them in achieving age-appropriate emotion regulation skills. This process promotes secure attachment between parent and child. 

Educational Objectives: 1) identify relational interactions that characterize secure, anxious and avoidant patterns of attachment; 2) identify relational patterns that characterize dismissive, validating and coaching philosophies of emotion in families; 3) describe effective clinical interventions that promotes secure attachment and increase distress tolerance.

ESFT Stage III: Promoting Co-Caregiver Alliance

Justin Corrocher, M.A., LPC, LMFT, October 19, 2018 1:15 pm to 4:30 pm $90 3CE Advanced Level

“Caregiver” refers to those family members who are responsible for the nuturance, socialization, and leadership of the children, including the symptom bearer. In some families, caregivers have a strong alliance with each other as they nurture and lead the family. In others, the caregiver alliance is vague, chaotic or laden with problems. This workshop focuses on how to identify existing caregivers, recruit missing or distant caregivers and promote a caregiver alliance. Two clinical skills are emphasized: 1) the use of a controlled “encounter” with conflicted caregivers, and 2) how to connect the caregiver to the “parent-self.” Additionally, focus is given to helping caregivers resolve barriers and establish a workable co-caregiver plan. 

Educational Objectives: 1) clarify the importance of a positive caregiving alliance; 2) identify a family’s caregiving structure; 3) describe at least two methods to strengthen a caregiving alliance.

ESFT Stage III: Strengthening Parental Executive Skills with Teenagers

Justin Corrocher, M.A., LPC, LMFT, November 9, 2018 9:00 am to 12:15 pm $90 3CE Advanced Level

Dealing with challenging adolescents is difficult for both parents and seasoned clinicians. Using a systemic perspective, this workshop addressed the quality of the relationship between parents and the adolescent as an essential component of treatment. In a relational context of isolation and alienation, symptoms tend to escalate. After guidelines are presented for assessing the severity of adolescent problem behavior, focus is given to effective teen disciplinary methods for mild, moderate, and severe teen problems. 

Educational Objectives: 1) describe the typical symptomatic cycle found in families with adolescents; 2) recognize “connection-based” discipline vs. “control-based” discipline; 3) demonstrate effective parenting skills with adolescents.

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ESFT Stage III: Strengthening Parental Executive Skills with Children
Justin Corrocher, M.A., LPC, LMFT, November 9, 2018  1:15 pm to 4:30 pm $90 3CE Advanced Level
There are three requirements for effective parenting executive skills: 1) parents must be able to hold onto themselves emotionally when a child reacts to discipline; 2) parents must be thoughtful (rather than emotional) when implementing consequences for misbehavior; 3) parents must evolve discipline structures based on the child’s developmental needs. This workshop provides therapists with an understanding of parenting styles and a summary of techniques for creating effective consequences for three age groups: children ages 2 to 5, ages 6 to 8, and ages 9-11. Ross Greene’s Collaborative Problem-Solving Approach is presented as a way to strengthen parental executive skills. Educational Objectives: 1) describe four parenting styles; 2) identify two developmentally-based discipline practices; 3) describe the Collaborative Problem-Solving Approach.

ESFT Stage III: Working with Trauma
Justin Corrocher, M.A., LPC, LMFT, November 30, 2018  9:00 am to 12:15 pm $90 3CE Advanced Level
Clinicians are often confronted with the effects of unresolved trauma on family interaction. The traditional definition of trauma is expanded to include “relational trauma” wherein the exposure to an event engenders disruption in familial trustworthiness, security and openness. This working highlights the signs of trauma in both children and their caregivers. Clinical tasks are then identified that promote healing from trauma with emphasis on helping families create an open, reflective dialogue. Educational Objectives: 1) recognize key behavioral, emotional, biological and relational markers of trauma in both children and their caregivers; 2) identify core clinical tasks involved in helping families create a safe relational environment that supports healing from trauma; 3) describe the open and reflective family dialogue that promotes trauma healing and strengthens current family relationships.

ESFT Stage III: Sexual Abuse in a Family Context
Justin Corrocher, M.A., LPC, LMFT, November 30, 2018  1:15 pm to 4:30 pm $90 3CE Advanced Level
This workshop first provides a comprehensive overview of sexual abuse including: the definition, prevalence and demographics of both child victims and offenders. A model of assessment is then described covering abuse level, family context, depth of the trauma, and warning signs in children, adolescents and families. Focus is then given to how the Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy model treats sexual abuse in the family. Interventions are specified within each of ESFT’s four stages. Educational Objectives: 1) identify at least two symptoms of sexual abuse; 2) clarify how family transactions either help or hinder coping; 3) describe at least two interventions used with both incest survivors and adolescent offenders.

ESFT Stage IV: Solidifying Change, Termination and Discharge Planning
Marion Lindblad-Goldberg, Ph.D., LMFT, December 14, 2018  9:00 am to 12:15 pm $90 3CE Advanced Level
Therapists need to be as clinically thorough in ending treatment as they are in beginning treatment. This workshop begins with an exploration of cultural/emotional relational endings for both families and therapists. Emphasis is placed on how clinicians need to prepare for discharge from the beginning of treatment and the suggested language to be used during each of the first three stages of Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy. Five steps of termination are then clarified: therapist review, family therapy review, ending of the therapeutic relationship, discharge planning and treatment overlap and trouble shooting. Educational Objectives: 1) identify stages and tasks of discharge planning; 2) clarify the role of preparation in effective discharge; 3) recognize the distinction between treatment change and the therapeutic relationship issues.
These courses are post-master’s/post-doctoral advanced courses and have been developed to be in compliance with the Continuing Education Credits are only offered.

Theoretical and Historical Development of Family Therapy:
Parts I & II (Mandatory for Intensive Trainees) (Classroom or self-study) These two 45-hour (6 semester credits) integrated courses survey all the major schools and theories of family therapy from the field’s early roots to the present. Using a learning-centered educational approach, Part I introduces trainees to the classic models (e.g. Bowenian, Experiential, Contextual, and Structural), and Part II describes Post-Modern family models (e.g. Solution-Focused, Brief Therapy, Narrative, Cognitive Behavioral [CBT]). Within each of these models, leading figures will be identified, their theoretical formulations and associated change techniques will be discussed, related research will be reviewed, and the impact of the models on clinical practice with diverse populations will be analyzed. $1,800. Educational Objectives: 1) describe the theoretical and historical context of family therapy; 2) comparative analysis of at least two MFT therapy models; 3) critique the use of at least two MFT models with diverse populations; 4) recognize at least two family therapy models. Classroom: October 2018

Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy (Mandatory for Extern & Intensive Trainees) (Classroom or self-study) This 45-hour (3 semester credits) course will introduce trainees to the Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy model using a learning-centered educational approach in the classroom. Trainees will be introduced to the model’s, historical, empirical and conceptual foundations. The course will also focus on the description and implementation of the four stages of the model while considering issues of cultural diversity and competence. Meets 3-1/2 days in September, 1 day in October and November, and 1-1/2 days in December. $900-correspondence; $900-classroom. Educational Objectives: 1) demonstrate an understanding of the historical, empirical and conceptual foundations of the Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy clinical model; 2) demonstrate an awareness of socio-cultural influences with specific emphasis on race as experienced by African-American families; 3) recognize how to construct a therapeutic system by using specific skills to join families and individual family members; 4) demonstrate how to implement the ESFT family assessment tools; 5) demonstrate the ability to describe the ESFT clinical interventions and how they would be used to promote co-caregiver alliance, parental executive functioning, caregiver-child attachment, and emotion regulation with families.

Developmental and Clinical Issues (Mandatory for Extern & Intensive Trainees) (Classroom or self-study) Using a learning-centered educational approach, this (3 semester credits) course, will introduce students to how a developmental perspective influences assessment and treatment in the Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy model (ESFT). Using a developmental lens the course will focus on how to assess and intervene with couples and with families having young children, adolescents, and adult children. Further, the course examines how to assess and intervene in structural re-arrangements that occur in marriage, divorce, single parenthood, remarriage and co-habitation while considering issues of cultural diversity. Meets 1 day in January, February, April, and May. $900. Educational Objectives: 1) describe at least two ways that a developmental perspective and socio-cultural factors influence assessment and treatment in ESFT; 2) recognize two engagement methods with children, adolescents and adults in ESFT; 3) recognize how to apply developmentally-appropriate content and process interventions with couples and families having young children, adolescents and adults in ESFT; 4) recognize at least two interventions used when treating non-adaptive structural arrangements that occur in marriage, divorce, single parenthood, co-habitation, and remarriage in ESFT.
Assessment and Treatment of Trauma  (**Self-study only**) This 45-hour (3 semester credits) self-study course reviews state-of-the-art theory and research regarding the neurobiological, cognitive, emotional and behavioral impacts of trauma on children. A range of traditional and non-traditional treatment strategies are reviewed, such as play and art therapy, resiliency training, uses of visual imagery, cognitive behavioral interventions and EMDR. All of these treatment strategies are reviewed within the context of family systems treatment. $900. **Educational Objectives:** 1) increase understanding of the multiple impacts of trauma in children, such as brain functioning and social-emotional development; 2) increase ability to identify symptoms of trauma in children at different ages; 3) recognize current treatment strategies for reducing symptoms and helping children to integrate traumatic memories.

Couples and Couple Therapy  (**Self-study only**) This 45-hour (3 semester credits) self-study course is designed to provide the marriage and family therapy clinician with an appreciation of the current research, theory and practice literature regarding couple development, couple interaction, and couple intervention. The course will provide an expansive view of issues presented by couples when seeking couple therapy, specific assessment approaches and interventions strongly supported by empirical data. Particular emphasis is given to the interplay between the intra-psychic and systemic processes found in the couple’s individual context. Guidelines for assessment and intervention options for various couple experiences is given. The course will also assist students to gain further awareness of the use of self, his/her values and biases, and implications for the provision of couples therapy. It will also assist the student in determining a theory of practice that drives his/her own approach to counseling couples. $900. **Educational Objectives:** 1) identify the influence of socio-cultural factors and gender-based roles on the developing couple; 2) recognize reciprocal influences between individual adult development, stages of the family life cycle and couple functioning; 3) identify important relationship dimensions for couples assessment.

The Treatment of Substance Abuse in Families and Couples  (**Self-study only**) This 45-hour (3 semester credits) self-study course focuses on the treatment of substance abuse for couples and individuals within the context of the family. It includes an overview of substance abuse treatment research and evidence-based methods for effectively intervening with individuals, couples, and families who are impacted by substance misuse and abuse, including motivational interviewing, behavioral couples therapy, and brief strategic family therapy. The course employs a developmental perspective and includes treatment methodologies for both adult and adolescent substance abusers. $900. **Educational Objectives:** 1) recognize when referral for specialized substance abuse care is necessary; 2) describe the epidemiology, etiology, phenomenology, effective treatments, course, and prognosis for substance use disorders; 3) clarify the clinical needs and implications for persons with substance and mental health problems.

Psychopathology  (**Self-study only**) This 45-hour (3 semester credits) self-study course is designed to teach practitioners how to transition from the DSM-IV TR to the DSM-5. Developed for practicing clinicians, this course provides an overview of the specific changes in differential diagnosis that impact practicing clinicians. $900. **Educational Objectives:** 1) learn the application of DSM-5 diagnostic criteria in clinical evaluations; 2) learn the differences between the DSM-IV and the DSM-5.
Courses Are Offered in a Distance Education/Self-Study or Classroom Format

These courses are post-master’s/post-doctoral advanced courses and have been developed to be in compliance with the policies of the American Psychological Association and the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy.

Continuing Education Credits are only offered for courses taken in the classroom format.

Family-Centered Treatment of Problems in Early Childhood (Self-study only) This 45-hour (3 semester credits) self-study course provides practitioners with a survey of recent developmental theory and research on young children, ranging from infancy through the early elementary school years. Stanley Greenspan’s model of how social/emotional competence normally unfolds is given particular focus, along with how individual differences in child temperament, sensory processing and learning styles impact developmental trajectories. In keeping with an applied developmental emphasis, parent-child interactional patterns which constrain or promote emerging developmental capacities at each stage of development is examined. $900. Educational Objectives: 1) identify normal social/emotional milestones; 2) identify the primary features of “off-course” or “at-risk” social/emotional development; 3) describe how developmental variations or constitutional challenges in the child can shape family interactional patterns; 4) discuss the clinical applications of a bio-developmental-systems model.

Ethical, Legal and Professional Issues in MFT (Classroom or self-study) This 45-hour (3 semester credits) course is designed to provide the marriage and family therapist with an appreciation of ethical, legal, and professional issues in individual, marriage and family therapy. Focus is given to the AAMFT code of ethics, local licensure rules and regulations, and practice issues based by MFTs. $900; classroom $900. Educational Objectives: 1) recognize significant legal issues in marriage and family therapy; 2) identify professional issues in the practice of marriage and family therapy; 3) describe ethical practice in marriage and family therapy; 4) recognize policies and procedures that protect client confidentiality. Classroom: May 2018 16 CE

Research Methods in Marriage and Family Therapy (Self-study only) This 45-hour (3 semester credits) self-study course is designed to provide the marriage and family therapist who is not actively engaged in research an appreciation for the scientific process and the empirical foundation for the field. The course includes an introduction to the scientific method (e.g., reviewing literature, hypothesizing, sampling, research design, reliability, validity, data analysis), an appreciation for the extant literature in the MFT field, a review of the current methods used to study MFT, and an examination of the ethical and legal issues by which researchers are bound. $900. Educational Objectives: 1) describe the extant MFT literature, research, and evidence-based practice; 2) describe research and program evaluation methodologies, both quantitative and qualitative, relevant to MFT and mental health services; 3) clarify the legal, ethical, and contextual issues involved in the conduct of clinical research and program evaluation.
In-Service Training and Consultation Services

In-service training programs on numerous topics can be offered to mental health, health and other human service agencies throughout the United States, Canada and abroad. Contracts are tailored to the needs of the client agency and may include a variety of formats from generic or specialized workshops to clinical training programs with one-way mirror supervision, such as the Extern Program and COAMFTE-Accredited, Part-Time Intensive Program.

We also provide consultation services on program and curriculum development for family-oriented early childhood programs, inpatient, day treatment and outpatient services; training in supervision for administrative supervisors or clinical supervisors; and technical assistance and evaluation for in-home family services, intensive case management, family support and wrap-around services.

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COAMFTE-Accredited, Part-Time Intensive Program

Intensive training for clinicians in the theory and practice of Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy. Clinical cases provided. Leading to MFT state licensure requirements for knowledge base and supervision, and possibly, AAMFT clinical membership.

Trainees who meet specific designated criteria described in this brochure are eligible for an intensive program accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Marriage and Family Therapy Education (COAMFTE) of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (AAMFT).

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The program’s mission is to intensively mentor and graduate competent, culturally sensitive, ethical clinicians who recognize their strengths and limitations in the practice of Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy (ESFT). The learning outcomes for trainees include the ability to: 1) demonstrate proficiency of required knowledge in the MFT field; 2) demonstrate competence in the delivery of Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy (ESFT); 3) practice within legal and ethical guidelines; 4) demonstrate cultural competence within clinical practice, which includes a sensitivity to issues of age, gender, sexual orientation, religion, spirituality, health/ability, culture, ethnicity, race, nationality and socioeconomic status; 5) complete the mandatory requirements to be eligible for a state MFT license.

Three components comprise the Intensive Program:

I. Classroom/Self-study Courses (4 required; up to 8 if needed to remediate knowledge deficiencies)
   - Theoretical and Historical Development of Family Therapy, Part I & Part II
   - Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy
   - Developmental and Clinical Issues

II. Training group (3-5 participants) with outpatient cases provided; individual and group supervision using one-way mirror/DVD/role play and case discussion for eighteen Mondays over an eight month period from October to March from 2 to 7 pm.

III. 45 individual supervision hours on a minimum of 500 (250 relational) client contact hours that must be completed.

On average, program completion is a minimum of three years and a maximum of six years. A certificate is awarded upon successful completion of the program.

A master’s, doctoral, or medical degree in a field appropriate to clinical work with families and/or couples is required. The degree must be awarded by a regionally-recognized institution. Applicants must have completed at least four of the required AAMFT standard curriculum courses during their graduate programs. Exceptions to this requirement may be made based on the application interview and faculty review. If such an exception is made, the trainee will be required to complete a minimum of four AAMFT standard curriculum self-studies within the program before graduation.
Extern Program

To improve skills in Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy, increase knowledge base, and receive supervision that can be applied to state licensure requirements - for beginning, intermediate or advanced clinicians.

This program is designed for clinicians who desire ongoing supervision in a comprehensive eighteen days format. Goals include achieving competency in assessing and changing the family system using the Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy model, treatment planning, and expanding the therapist’s style. Two applied clinical courses are offered (see page 8).

Two components comprise this program which may be taken over a year or two year period. The first component is coursework. Two courses are given that demonstrate how to enact the Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy model: “Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy” and “Developmental and Clinical Issues” (see page 8). These courses are scheduled from September to May for 11 classroom days (3-1/2 days in September; 1 day per month on Fridays in October and November, 1-1/2 days in December, 1 day in January, February, April, and May).

The second component is a training group providing 1-way mirror/DVD case discussion/role-play/supervision with outpatient cases provided by the Center or clinicians may bring in their own cases and retain client fees. Externs are organized in groups of 3-5 trainees with one supervisor during a five-hour day which meets once a week on Mondays for eighteen days scheduled from October to April. A certificate is awarded upon successful completion of the program.

A bachelor, master’s, doctoral, or medical degree in a field appropriate to clinical work with families and/or couples is required.

A full-day one year Extern program may be conducted at any agency site willing to sponsor the program. Cases are provided by the sponsoring agency; courses are offered at our training site in Philadelphia.

Summer Practicum

Intensive one-week Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy clinical experience June 11-15, 2018

This program is a highly concentrated 1 week program which is offered each summer for 1 week aimed at learning the Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy (ESFT) model. The summer practicum includes approximately 40 hours.

A 4 to 6-person group meets with an AAMFT-Approved/LMFT supervisor. Hands-on skills are learned through one-way mirror and DVD supervision, role play, case presentation, and observation of family sessions. Those with minimal clinical experience may apply for two available positions as participant observers in which family sessions of the practicum trainees are observed through a one-way mirror. For therapists, a certificate is awarded upon successful completion. Information on housing is available.
Clinical Supervision Program

*Individual, group, and/or paired supervision of family and couple therapy to develop skills and meet state licensure requirements*

This program, offering paired, individual or group supervision by AAMFT-Approved supervisors, licensed marriage and family therapists, licensed psychologists, licensed professional counselors and licensed clinical social workers, is open to those professionals wanting family or couple therapy supervision for clinical growth and licensure. Supervision can be conducted in person or through the use of Skype. Supervision methods include use of DVD treatment sessions, one-way mirror case consultation, and/or case discussion. Times for supervision are arranged at trainees’ convenience. Trainees discuss their cases or review their DVDs to highlight assessment/treatment issues and therapists’ use of self.

Distance Education

*For those unable to travel to the Philadelphia area for training*

We have trained mental-health and health-care professionals throughout the United States, Canada, Central America, South America, Europe, Southeast Asia, Australia and Israel. Some of our training services can be individualized and offered in a distance education format (composed either of correspondence courses or clinical case consultation) using education materials via various telecommunication methods, including, but not limited to, telephone and skype. On-site workshops are also available by our traveling faculty. Refer to pages 8 to 10 for a list of correspondence courses.
Admission, Clinical Programs Submit a $35 non-refundable application fee, registration form, letter of interest, current vita, one letter of professional reference and graduate school transcript (copy acceptable). Candidate will be interviewed by telephone or in person.

Attendance Documentation Upon completion of training, participants receive a letter of attendance detailing title, presenter, location, date, CE hours, and applicable continuing education statements.

Certification We provide certificates for trainees completing program requirements for clinical programs. The Extern, Intensive, Summer Practicum and Clinical Supervision Programs provide individual and group supervision by AAMFT-Approved Supervisors who are licensed in marriage and family therapy, psychology, clinical social work or counseling. The supervision hours can be applied toward state licensure requirements.

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- **Registration, Courses** Applicants are required to pay the non-refundable course fees in full prior to enrollment. A trainee course delinquency fee may apply.

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Publications


Presentations Some of the faculty’s presentations include the following:

Lindblad-Goldberg, M.
University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine: Department of Psychiatry, Child and Adolescent Division, “Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy (ESFT)” Fall 2017-Spring 2018
Drexel University, Adult Psychiatry, “Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy”, Fall 2017

Simms, S.
Georgia Department of Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities, “Introduction to Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy (ESFT)”, August 2016
Venango County Mental Health and Developmental Services, “Ecosystemic Structural Family Therapy (ESFT)”, January to December 2017

Northey, William
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Justin Corrocher, MA (Contemplative Psychotherapy), LPC, LMFT, AAMFT-Approved Supervisor 15 years of clinical practice, 8 years of ESFT Supervision. Current Position: Private Practice.
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Scott Lambert, MA, Licensed Psychologist (PA), LMFT, AAMFT-Approved Supervisor 32 years of experience includes 15 years as an ESFT Supervisor Current Position: Director, Blair Family Solutions.

William Mayer, MS (Clinical Psychology) LMFT, AAMFT-Approved Supervisor MFT in Clinical Practice for 17 years, ESFT Supervisor for 10 years. Current Position: Program Director, Family Based Mental Health Services, Philadelphia, PA.

Pinky Mehta, MA (Marriage and Family Therapy) LMFT, AAMFT-Approved Supervisor Candidate 8 years of clinical experience, ESFT supervisor for 5 years. Current Position: Assistant Program Director, Family Based Mental Health Services (Montgomery, Berks, and Chester Counties, PA).

Vicky Primer, MS (Counseling), Ph.D., (Marriage and Family Therapy), LMFT 30+ years of clinical experience in the areas of research, publications, teaching, creating healing space and training. Current Position: Private practice Healing Goddess Enterprises at Lifestream Behavioral Health.

Consultant
William F. Northey, Jr., Ph.D. (Marriage and Family Therapy), LMFT, PCFTTC Research Consultant.
### FEES & DATES

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Intensive Program:  ☐ Courses ☐ Group ☐ Supervision

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