

Group Therapy: Keeping It Lively and Effective!

Friday, October 13, 2017 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Location:

Cumberland County Partnership for Children 351 Wagoner Drive Multi-Purpose Room Fayetteville NC 28303

Target Audience

Mental health, substance abuse, human service professionals and private practitioners.

Program Description

Most clinicians are working with clients in groups in some capacity. These groups may be insight-oriented, psychoeducational or support groups. How do we keep groups lively while effective and make the most of the power of the group format? How do we balance covering content and giving clients time to discuss and process the material? What are the best activities for groups and when should we use them? How do we help clients see that their interactions in group shed light on their tendencies in interpersonal relationships? How do we deal with challenging clients and situations in group settings?

Through didactic and experiential methods, this workshop will attempt to answer these questions. The workshop will help participants take a fresh look at group dynamics and therapeutic factors in order to best leverage the therapeutic power of the group format. The content will be relevant for all types of groups and all ages in various practice settings.

Objectives

Upon completion of this workshop, participants will be able to:

- Identify and understand the importance of Yalom's therapeutic factors in group therapy;
- Discuss factors to consider when screening and preparing clients for group;
- Describe the leaders' tasks in various stages of group development and differentiate between interventions appropriate for various types of group purposes;
- Understand the purpose of activities in groupwork and describe various types of activities, including expressive arts;
- Describe at least one strategy for dealing with problematic clients in group, such as involuntary clients, silent clients, monopolizers and scapegoats; and
- Describe how to utilize the "here and now" approach in group therapy.

Fee

\$109 if registration and payment are postmarked on or before October 6, 2017; \$119 thereafter.

Speaker

Marilyn Ghezzi, MSW, LCSW is a clinical social worker who worked as a therapist and therapy supervisor in the public mental health system for over 20 years. She is currently a Clinical Assistant Professor at UNC -Chapel Hill School of Social Work and teaches courses on mental health theory and practice, group work, brief treatment, trauma and violence and many other mental health topics. Marilyn continues to practice as a clinical social worker including providing clinical supervision to mental health professionals. Marilyn also presents AHEC workshops on working with severe and persistently mentally ill adults, treating borderline personality disorder, clinical supervision and DSM-5.

This presenter is being supported through the partnership between UNC-CH, School of Social Work and the NCAHEC Program.

Agenda

8:30 - 9 a.m.	Registration/Introduction
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9:00 - 9:30 a.m. Overview of group work and therapeutic factors in group

9:30 – 10 a.m. Planning and preparing clients for group 10 – 10:30 a.m. Group dynamics and group development

10:30 – 10:45 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. - 12 p.m. Group dynamics and group development (continued)

12 - 1 p.m. Lunch (On Your Own)

1 - 2:30 p.m. Overview of interventions, including use of activities

2:30 - 2:45 p.m. Break

2:45 – 4:00 p.m. Use of "here and now" approach in group

4 – 4:30 p.m. Dealing with challenging members and conflict in groups

4:30 p.m. Wrap-up

Credit

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Contact Hours: 6.0

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