

ETHICS WITH SOUL

Wednesday, February 8, 2006

Royal Scandinavian Inn · 400 Alisal Road · Solvang 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

DESCRIPTION: In our litigious age of risk management, more and more clinical decisions in therapy are based on fear of civil lawsuits, dread of licensing boards or attorneys' advice columns rather than on clients' needs. This course intends to rekindle soulfulness and clinical integrity. The course will teach psychotherapists to think critically and make sound ethical decisions based on clinical principles, ethical guidelines and state and federal laws. More specifically, the course will cover areas such as the Standard of Care, therapeutic boundaries (i.e., touch, gifts, self-disclosure and dual relationships), record keeping, dealing with dangerousness, confidentiality, HIPAA basics and ethical risk management.

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

- 1) Teach therapists how to further develop their ability for critical thinking as it pertains to ethical decisions with a basis in ethics, law, clinical effectiveness and cultural sensitivity.
- 2) Give Psychotherapists guidelines for dealing with issues, such as confidentiality, informed consents, scope of practice and dangerous clients.
- 3) Explore the complexities involved with boundaries such as touch, gifts, self-disclosure, adventure therapy and dual relationships.
- 4) Learn to practice risk management without compromising clinical integrity.
- 5) Develop ethical decision-making strategies for dealing with difficult issues in psychotherapy.
- 6) Develop intervention strategies to regulate emotion.
- 7) Update therapists on recent changes in California law and code of ethics.

PRESENTER: Ofer Zur, Ph.D., a consultant, licensed psychologist, writer, forensic consultant and lecturer from Sonoma, CA. He is a pioneer in the development of the ethical and effective managed-care-free practice and is a prolific writer and researcher.

WHO MAY ATTEND: ADMHS staff who have received permission from their Program Managers, staff of community-based organizations and partner agencies, and other interested individuals.

PLEASE RSVP to Eric Baizer, <u>ebaizer@co.santa-barbara.ca.us</u>; 884-1647. Reservations will be made on a first-come, first-served basis.

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Course meets the

6 CEUs for MFT/LCSW/RN/LPT/LVN/AOD Providers

qualifications for: 6 CEUs for Psy.D./Ph.D. (pending approval)

Cost for attendance:

\$25.00 for ADMHS staff; \$75.00 for CBO staff and all others

Cost for CEUs:

\$25.00

Continental breakfast included; lunch not provided.

For further information about training schedules, topics, the presenter, logistics of the training sessions, location, physical accommodations, or CEUs, please contact **Claudia P. Henry**, chenry@co.santa-barbara.ca.us.

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