BOUNDARIES, HOME VISITS, AND OTHER OUT-OF-OFFICE EXPERIENCES IN PSYCHOTHERAPY: ETHICAL AND CLINICAL CONSIDERATIONS

DATE & TIME: April 1, 2013 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

All registration is completed on the Learning Net prior to the training. Sign-in begins 30 minutes prior to the training time. All participants must arrive during the sign-in period. Late arrivals will not be admitted.

PLACE: 695 S. Vermont Ave., 7th Floor Conference Room
Los Angeles, CA 90005

PARKING: Shatto Parking Structure or 685 New Hampshire Ave. (All Day Flat Rate: $5.00)

This is an intermediate-advanced course that addresses the complexities of boundary crossings in psychotherapy and counseling with particular focus on home visits and other "out-of-office" experiences. This unique training will incorporate clips from popular movies to highlight expanding contemporary research and literature, demonstrating the importance of context-based applications of therapeutic boundaries. Through discussion and lectures the training will explore different aspects of home visits, which include ethical, clinical, supervisory, cultural, boundaries, time management, unexpected occurrences, self-disclosure and safety considerations. It will then explore the importance and/or necessity of meeting clients, such as children or homeless, where they are rather than in our professional offices. Additional "out-of-office" experiences that will be discussed include clinical interventions not possible in the office (e.g., in vivo desensitization), celebrations of clients' accomplishments, rituals and life transitions, and incidental encounters. Ethical decision-making, codes of ethics, and the importance of context of therapy and its application to clinicians' work will be reviewed.

TARGET AUDIENCE: DMH licensed clinical staff

OBJECTIVES: As a result of attending this training, participants should:
1. Identify two sound, ethical decisions in regard to the implementation of non-sexual, non-exploitative boundary crossings.
2. Define and identify boundary crossing situations, boundary violations, dual relationships, and how to address them.
3. Examine the complexities of home visits and other "out-of-office" experiences.
4. Apply interventions based on clinical rationales and knowledge of the law and ethics relevant to the delivery of "out-office" mental health services.
5. Integrate current standards of practice, codes of ethics, and CA law in regard to boundaries in therapy.
6. Identify the importance of making home visits or "out-of-office" experiences when engaging ethnic minority clients.

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DEADLINE: When maximum capacity is reached

COST: None

CONTINUING EDUCATION: 6 hours for BBS, BRN, CAADAC

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