MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS OF TRAUMA-IMPACTED LESBIAN GAY BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER (LGBTQ) YOUTH: IMPLEMENTING TF-CBT FOR LGBTQ YOUTH & AND THEIR CAREGIVERS

SESSION I: 8:45 AM – 12:00 PM: LIVE WEBINAR
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A growing body of evidence shows that LGBTQ youth suffer from potentially traumatic events (PTEs) at significantly higher rates than their straight and cisgender peers. Among the most prevalent PTEs affecting LGBTQ youth, which are related to their sexual orientation or gender identity, are parental rejection, bullying, physical and sexual harassment, victimization, and hate crimes. Additionally, LGBTQ youth experience the same trauma types as other youth, e.g., child abuse and neglect, domestic and community violence, motor vehicle accidents, man-made disasters, etc. Nationally representative studies documented significantly higher rates of PTSD among LGBTQ youth compared with their straight and cisgender peers, 12-month prevalence of PTSD is 11.3% among LGBTQ youth ages compared to a national annual youth prevalence of 3.9% (Russell & Fish, 2016). Importantly, trauma symptoms go beyond the diagnosis of PTSD, and include a broader category of symptoms associated with depression, anxiety, behavior and substance use problems.

Mr. Zinny will provide an overview of the Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT) for Lesbian Gay Bisexual and Transgender (LGBTQ) Youth Implementation Manual, which includes strategies for implementing this evidence-based practice. TF-CBT is a components-based hybrid approach that integrates trauma-sensitive interventions, with cognitive-behavioral principles to address the needs of children and families impacted by traumatic experiences (Cohen et al., 2017). TF-CBT has a robust evidence with twenty-four randomized controlled trials (RCT) showing this model’s superiority over both control and comparison conditions for decreasing PTSD symptoms and diagnosis, depression, and behavior problems in children (Cohen et al., 2017).

The manual was developed through a National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN, www.nctsn.org) Learning Community, led by Judith Cohen (TF-CBT co-developer). The Learning Community consisted of 32 members from 12 organizations across the United States. It also had significant contributions from the Family Acceptance Project® (FAP). The presenter will use the clinical and empirical literature as well as knowledge in this area to inform guidelines for best practice.

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES
Based on the presentation, the participants will be able to:
- Discuss the significant mental health disparities affecting LGBTQ youth in the USA.
• Identify and describe 2-3 evidence-based, culturally sensitive strategies for implementing trauma-focused therapy with LGBTQ youth.
• Identify and discuss 2-3 evidence-based, culturally sensitive strategies for engaging caregivers in trauma-focused therapy with LGBTQ youth.

SUGGESTED READINGS


ADDITIONAL READINGS


ABOUT THE PRESENTER
Arturo Zinny, LPC, MA is the Program Director of Healing Hurt People (HHP) at the Center for Nonviolence and Social Justice, Drexel University. HHP is a hospital and community-based violence intervention program (VIP) serving victims of violent injury (gunshot, stabbing, and assault) ages 8 to 35. HHP provides trauma-informed case management, peer support and trauma-focused treatment to its participants and their families.

In 2004, Mr. Zinny obtained his Psychologist degree in Argentina. Since then he has provided mental health and drug and alcohol services to underserved children, adults, and families impacted by chronic adversity, intergenerational trauma, and poverty. He has also provided supervision and technical assistance on implementing trauma-services for children and families in community behavioral health settings both in the USA and Argentina. Currently, Mr. Zinny is responsible for guiding the program implementation of HHP.

Before his current role, Mr. Zinny served as Project Director for the Philadelphia Alliance for Child Trauma Services (PACTS) at Community Behavioral Health (CBH). In this role, he oversaw the implementation of trauma-specific services by PACTS’ citywide network of 20 community behavioral health agencies; lead efforts to increase awareness of childhood trauma in Philadelphia and coordinated PACTS’ Youth Advisory Board. Mr. Zinny has also served as Director of Behavioral Health Services at Congreso de Latinos Unidos in Philadelphia.

Mr. Zinny is a former chair of the National Child Traumatic Stress Network’s (NCTSN) Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender and Questioning (LGBTQ) Youth Sub-Committee. Mr. Zinny is also a co-author of the Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT) with LGBTQ Implementation Manual. He is a nationally certified TF-CBT Therapist. Mr. Zinny is also a student at Drexel University’s Ph.D. in Public Health, Community Health and Prevention concentration.

Target Audience: Doctoral Level Psychologists and Other Mental Health Professionals
Level of Instruction: Intermediate
Number of CE Credits Offered: 3 Credits
Cost: Free
IMPROVING WOMEN’S HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH: PSYCHOLOGY COMPETENCIES AND STRATEGIES IN INTEGRATED PRIMARY CARE

SESSION I: 1:00 – 4:30 PM: LIVE WEBINAR

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This applied, interactive workshop will focus on improving the health and well-being of women across the life span in primary care settings. The presentation will focus on: 1. essential clinical, multicultural, interprofessional and ethical competencies for psychologists caring for women with range of complex physical conditions; 2. common psychosocial challenges among women from diverse and marginalized communities in primary care; 3. strategies to improve women’s physical and psychological well-being and 4. essential interprofessional communication strategies in women’s primary care settings. Case examples will be presented to highlight a range of biopsychosocial, behavioral and multicultural issues among women across the life span in primary care settings. National service and leadership training opportunities for psychology graduate students interested in health psychology, women’s health and integrated care will also be discussed. The presenter will use the clinical and empirical literature as well as knowledge in this area to inform guidelines for best practice.

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES

Based on the presentation, the participants will be able to:

- Summarize clinical, multicultural, interprofessional and ethical competencies for psychologists in women’s primary care.
- List five common psychosocial issues among diverse women across the life span with complex physical conditions in primary care.
- Describe three evidenced-based strategies to improve women’s physical and psychological well-being in primary care.
- List interprofessional communication strategies to improve women’s health care.
- Summarize national service and leadership training opportunities for psychology doctoral students interested in health psychology, women’s health and integrated care.

SUGGESTED READINGS


ABOUT THE PRESENTER

Helen L. Coons, Ph.D., ABPP is an Associate Professor and Clinical Director, Women’s Behavioral
Health Service Line, Department of Psychiatry, University of Colorado School of Medicine. She is a board-certified clinical health psychologist who specializes in women’s health and mental health, psychosocial oncology and integrated care in women’s health settings. Dr. Coons received her Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from Temple University, Philadelphia, in 1990 after completing her pre-doctoral internship in Medical Psychology at the Duke University School of Medicine, Durham, NC. She was also a DHHS Primary Health Care Policy Fellow in 2005. Dr. Coons has been a consultant on women’s issues for Federal agencies, non-profit organizations as well as corporations. She has served on APA’s Committee on Women in Psychology (2006-2008), Committee for the Advancement of Professional Practice (2009-2010), Board of Professional Affairs (2013-2015), Council of Representatives for Division 38 (2010-2015), Board of Directors (2016-2018), the APA Finance Committee (2019-2021), and is president, Society for Health Psychology (APA Division 38). Dr. Coons has also promoted leadership development training as the founding chair of the Leadership Institute for Women in Psychology (2007-2014), through presentations at the APAGS Retreat on Leadership Development (2014), the APAGS Leadership Institute Inaugural Class (2016), for ECP’s attending APA’s Practice Leadership Conference, and during the APA convention. She is also the co-founder and co-facilitator of the new APA Leadership Academy for Early Career Psychologists (2019-present). Dr. Coons is known as a dynamic speaker for professional, community and corporate audiences on a range of health, behavioral health and leadership topics and enjoys serving as an expert source for media writers. She is the recipient of several distinguished awards from APA and APA Divisions for her contributions to clinical health psychology, women’s health, practice innovations and leadership development in psychology.

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