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The Healing Power of Groups in a Fragmented World

Special Institute: Monday, February 26

Two-Day Institute: Tuesday & Wednesday, February 27-28

Three-Day Conference: Thursday, Friday, Saturday, March 1-3

Westin Galleria & Westin Oaks Houston Hotels

A GPA Connect provides participants from diverse clinical disciplines the opportunity to advance their knowledge, skills and training in group psychotherapy and related fields. The AGPA Connect experience promises to include the development of new clinical approaches, refinement of therapeutic methods, exchange of clinical and empirical knowledge with colleagues, exposure to current research and theory, and the opportunity to participate in a multidisciplinary peer support network.

AGPA Connect is divided into three sections: the one-day Special Institute taught by prominent clinicians, the two-day Institute devoted to small group teaching primarily in the experiential mode, and the three-day Conference which offers a variety of formats, including limited registration workshops as well as open session panels on special topics and original scientific paper sessions.

Who Should Attend?

Mental health professionals who have an interest in and/or currently work with groups who wish to be kept abreast of new developments and to expand the scope of their clinical practices.

Why Should You Attend?

- World-renowned faculty are available to instruct, challenge, and inspire you.
- Earn over 40 continuing education credits in your affiliated discipline.
- Learn valuable, proven strategies and clinical techniques that can be used immediately.
- Access a full menu of diversified offerings designed to sharpen your knowledge and skills.
- Take advantage of time away from the day-to-day pressures of work. You'll return refreshed, stimulated and rejuvenated – and ready for new challenges ahead.
- Explore the extraordinary city of Houston with colleagues, family, and friends.
- Create cherished memories while strengthening your professional expertise.

What You Will Learn!

After participating, attendees will be able to:

1. Identify, review, and integrate basic group dynamic concepts into their group practice;
2. Compare the theoretical underpinnings of various schools of group therapy;
3. Conduct groups in a variety of settings with a broad range of populations;
4. Apply evidenced-based practices as they relate to group therapy.

How to Register!

An online registration form is available on the AGPA website, www.agpa.org. You may also register by mail, fax, phone, and email. To mail: complete the registration form on the back cover, and mail it along with your payment to AGPA c/o Chase Manhattan Bank, Church Street Station, P.O. Box 6359, New York, NY 10249-6359. Fax your form including credit card information to 212-979-6627. Phone registration is available by calling toll-free 877-668-AGPA (2472) or 212-477-2677. You may also email us at registration@agpa.org.

Welcome to the 2018 AGPA Connect! This year's meeting, to be held in Houston, Texas, offers an extraordinary array of state-of-the-art educational offerings—plus a lot of fun! We are especially pleased that we will be in Houston to support the recovery from the devastating effects of Hurricane Harvey. Our conference theme is “The Healing Power of Groups in a Fragmented World” which is truly a timely topic as we are affected by fragmentation and threat at home and around the world.



Counselman



Abernethy



Gilmore

We are thrilled to be welcoming Peter Fonagy, from the UK, presenting on Mentalization-Based Therapy in Groups as well as our own Distinguished Fellow, Elliot Zeisel, presenting on the role of the training group in keeping our passion alive. Our plenary speakers demonstrate a diversity of approaches, from David Allen, on his community based group approach in the Bahamas, to Pat Ogden, on Sensorimotor Psychotherapy, as well Barry Helfmann's presidential address entitled “Why AGPA?”

As you look through this program, you will see the diversity of educational and experiential institutes, workshops, open sessions, and plenaries that characterize AGPA and many opportunities for self-exploration and personal growth. This year we are proud to offer several social justice sessions as well. We have no doubt that you will return to your practice recharged and full of new ideas. We hope that you will select events that meet the needs of your particular practice but also try something new.

AGPA is about connection as well, and we hope that you will take advantage of the many opportunities to meet people and form connections. If you are new to AGPA, we hope you'll attend the New Member no-host dinner and the New Member breakfast. Special Interest Groups (SIGs) are a good way to meet others with similar interests and they hold meetings throughout the week. The evening social hours, and the Group Foundation's Friday night dance party and Saturday luncheon are all opportunities for continued connection. Many of us have made deep lasting connections at these meetings that have sustained us over many years!

Those of you familiar with our meeting will notice the new name. We are an organization about people and relationships and the Board thought that our meeting should convey that more clearly in its title. AGPA Connect is a rebranding that reflects our educational mission and is more descriptive of what happens during our week together: in the educational sessions, in the meetings, receptions and meals, and in the relationships that develop.

As they say in Texas, we look forward to seeing y'all at AGPA Connect!

Eleanor Counselman, EdD, CGP, LFAGPA
AGPA President

Alexis Abernethy, PhD, CGP, FAGPA
Martha Gilmore, PhD, CGP, FAGPA
Annual Meeting Co-Chairs

What to look for inside...We have an exciting line-up of speaker presentations:

Two Special Institute Presentations on Monday, February 26:

- ◆ **Peter Fonagy, PhD** will present “The Technique of Mentalization-Based Treatment for Severe Personality Disorder.”
- ◆ **Elliot Zeisel, PhD, LCSW, CGP, DFAGPA** will present “Maintaining Passion in your Group Work: The Role of the Training Group.”

Institute and Conference Plenaries:

- ◆ **Elizabeth Knight, MSW, CGP, DFAGPA** will present the Opening Institute Plenary Address entitled, “I'm Having Trouble with My Small Group: Reflections on a Lifetime of Living, Leading, and Learning in Groups.”
- ◆ The Mitchell Hochberg Memorial Public Education Event entitled, “Group Process as an Intervention for Community Resocialization” will be presented by **David Allen, MD, MPH**.
- ◆ **Pat Ogden, PhD** will be the Conference Opening Plenary Speaker; her presentation is entitled, “The Role of the Body in Group Psychotherapy: A Sensorimotor Psychotherapy Approach.”
- ◆ **Barry Helfmann, PsyD, ABPP, CGP, DFAGPA** will deliver the Anne and Ramon Alonso Presidential Plenary Address entitled, “Why AGPA?”
- ◆ The Louis R. Ormont Lecture will be presented by **Richard Billow, PhD, ABPP, CGP**. It is entitled, “Witnessing: The Third Axis of Group Process.”

Just for fun, at the end of each day there is a time to get to know each other personally at our evening social hours. You also won't want to miss two of the meeting's highlights hosted by the Group Foundation for Advancing Mental Health: the Friday night dance party and the Saturday luncheon.

Attendance is Affordable...

New Member Discount. If you are not currently an AGPA member and join at the time of registration, you will save more than the difference between the member and non-member registration fee. A membership application is online as well as available on page 15 of the program. We hope you will join us as a member.

A 35% discount is offered to Students, New Professionals, Retirees, and Clinicians and Chaplains working with Active Duty Military and Veterans.

Agency/Institutional Multi-Person Registration

Discount. A special discount is available to individuals from the same agency/institution. The first registration is at the full rate with additional registrations from the same agency at a 35% discount. Agency/Institution registrations may be shared among personnel. Registration forms must be forwarded together and accompanied by a listing of the names of registrants on agency letterhead stating personnel are full-time or part-time employees whose sole source of income is from the agency. The letter should also verify the agency or institution as a non-profit. (Other discounts are not applicable when using an agency/institutional discount.)

Annual Meeting Scholarships are also being offered by the Group Foundation for Advancing Mental Health. Details on Awards and Scholarships for attendees as well as application information can be found on our website.

Please consider a donation to the Scholarship Fund to support the scholarship program; you can include a gift on the website or on the registration form found on the last page of the program.

Program Overview

	Monday February 26	Tuesday February 27	Wednesday February 28	Thursday March 1	Friday March 2	Saturday March 3
Early Morning	Special Institute Registration 7:30 – 9:00 AM	Institute Registration 7:30 – 9:00 AM Institute Opening Plenary “I’m Having Trouble with My Small Group: Reflections on a Lifetime of Living, Leading, and Learning in Groups” Elizabeth Knight 8:30 – 9:15 AM		Exhibits, Conference Registration 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM Early Morning Sessions 7:15 – 8:15 AM Breakfasts for: New Members & CGPs; First-Time Attendees & Prospective Members; Spouses & International Guests 7:15 – 8:15 AM Conference Opening Plenary Address “The Role of the Body in Group Psychotherapy: A Sensorimotor Psychotherapy Approach” Pat Ogden 8:30 – 9:45 AM	Exhibits, Conference Registration 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM Early Morning Sessions 7:15 – 8:15 AM Breakfast for AGPA Fellows 7:15 – 8:15 AM Anne & Ramon Alonso Presidential Plenary Address “Why AGPA?” Barry Helfmann 8:30 – 9:45 AM	Exhibits, Conference Registration 7:00 AM – 2:00 PM Early Morning Sessions 7:45 – 8:45 AM
Morning	9:00 AM – 12:15 PM Special Institute Presentations: “The Technique of Mentalization-Based Treatment for Severe Personality Disorder” Peter Fonagy OR “Maintaining Passion in your Group Work: The Role of the Training Group” Elliot Zeisel	9:30 AM – 12:15 PM Process Group Experience Sections & Specific Interest Sections	8:30 AM – 12:00 Noon Process Group Experience Sections & Specific Interest Sections Continue	10:00 AM – 12:30 PM Morning Workshops & Open Sessions	10:00 AM – 12:30 PM Morning Workshops & Open Sessions	9:00 – 11:30 AM Morning Workshops & Open Sessions Louis Ormont Lecture “Witnessing: The Third Axis of Group Process” Richard Billow
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Two Special Institute Presentations

Monday, February 26,
9:00 AM–5:00 PM

SI-1. The Technique of Mentalization-Based Treatment for Severe Personality Disorder

Instructor:

Peter Fonagy, PhD

This presentation will provide a basic but thorough introduction to mentalization-based treatment, including the therapist's stance, recognizing and addressing inadequate mentalizing, and enhancing mentalizing in the context of psychosocial treatment. The intention is to keep the Special Institute almost entirely practical: although much has been written about mentalizing as a theoretical framework, the focus will be on technique. Through methods such as asking participants to role-play experiences with difficult patients, the intention is to demonstrate how mentalization can provide a framework for therapeutic response and intervention in a group context.

Dr. Peter Fonagy is the Chief Executive of the Anna Freud National Centre for Children and Families. He is one of the developers of mentalization-based treatment, which has been developed in collaboration with a number of clinical sites in the UK and US. He has written numerous books on the subject. He has written over 480 peer-reviewed papers, 250 chapters, and has authored or co-authored 18 books. Dr. Fonagy is a Fellow of the British Academy, the British Academy of Medical Sciences, the Academy of Social Sciences and the American Association for Psychological Science, and was elected to Honorary Fellowship by the American College of Psychiatrists. He has received Lifetime Achievement Awards from several national and international professional associations including the British Psychological Society, the International Society for the Study of Personality Disorder, the International Psychoanalytic Association, the World Association for Infant Mental Health, and the Sigourney Award and was in 2015 the first UK recipient of the prestigious Wiley Prize of the British Academy for Outstanding Achievements in Psychology by an international scholar.



Fonagy



Zeisel

SI-2. Maintaining Passion in your Group Work: The Role of the Training Group

Instructor:

Elliot Zeisel, PhD, LCSW, CGP, DFIGPA

This Special Institute will explore the role of the Training Group in the education and maintenance of group clinicians.

The Training Group, like other psychodynamic groups, invites exploration of intra-psychic and interpersonal process. Additionally, it encourages examination of case material and encourages the integration of verbal techniques and group leadership skills.

As a member recounts a challenging moment in practice, the group is invited to associate to the material. Inevitably, someone in the circle understands the conscious and unconscious experience of the clinician and his patient(s) and new understanding emerges. Frequently, a parallel process unfolds in the group and additional meaning becomes available. All of this contributes to the formulation of an intervention that until that moment eluded the clinician. Often she will be invited to engage in a role play that consolidates the new learning. Understanding leads to a sense of competence and the clinician emerges with an effective verbal tool. The Training Group also inoculates against fatigue and reduces the isolation of clinical practice. It refreshes and restores the clinician's psychic apparatus and extends practice life.

Throughout the day, concise theoretical talks will be followed by a series of demonstration groups. The audience will then be invited into a question and answer exchange in which theory will be tied to the events in the demonstration group. This blend of didactic and experiential learning will contribute to the consolidation of theoretical concepts that support psychodynamic group treatment and the clinical skills that expand the group leader's effectiveness.

Dr. Elliot Zeisel is a graduate of the Philadelphia School of Psychoanalysis and is a licensed psychoanalyst. He is a founder of the Center for Group Studies and a Distinguished Fellow of AGPA.

Two-Day Institute Sections

Tuesday & Wednesday,
February 27 & February 28

Institute Opening Plenary Session

Tuesday, February 27, 8:30–9:15 AM

I'm Having Trouble with My Small Group: Reflections on a Lifetime of Living, Leading, and Learning in Groups

Featured Speaker: **Elizabeth Knight, MSW, CGP, DFIGPA**



Knight

This session will focus on the ubiquity and vital importance of groups in our lives—family, work, sports, school, and of course, therapy groups. The emphasis will be on how understanding how we interact with others leads us to “The Healing Power of Groups in a Fragmented World” - this year's AGPA Connect theme. Personal experiences will be shared and references made to both the Tavistock and Psychodynamic models of group.

Ms. Elizabeth Knight has worked in the field of group psychotherapy for over forty years. She is a Past President of AGPA, with numerous volunteer roles locally and nationally. Ms. Knight is an unparalleled supporter of women in group psychotherapy, encouraging and mentoring women therapists to leadership roles at the local and national level.

The Two-Day Institute is primarily designed for clinical professionals who meet the requirements of at least a Master's degree in a mental health profession and who have clinical psychotherapy experience. Many sections of the Institute welcome psychiatric residents and graduate students in mental health degree programs as well as mental health workers who work in a range of human service settings. Please register for a section consistent with your experience.

The Institute is scheduled over two full days: Tuesday, February 27, 9:30 AM – 5:45 PM and Wednesday, February 28, 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM. Registration will only be accepted for the full two-days and registrants will be expected to attend both days, including the Institute Opening Plenary Session. Continuing Education credit will not be awarded for partial attendance. Devoted to small group experiential teaching, these two-day groups are led by carefully selected experienced instructors. The secure environment of these small groups allows for rich cognitive and emotional learning about group processes and oneself as well as an opportunity for personal and professional renewal. The Institute consists of two sections:

- ◆ **Process Group Experience (PGE) Sections:** These small groups provide participants an environment in which to obtain, expand, and retain their skills in conducting group therapy. The group psychotherapy skills gained are important in conducting any group, regardless of its theoretical orientation, time parameter or patient population. PGE sections are essential training and benefit the participants, both personally and professionally. A portion of each PGE will be didactic.
A maximum of 12 registrants will be accepted per group.
- ◆ **Specific Interest Sections:** These groups offer intensive learning about specific theories and approaches in group treatment. Registrants can pursue current interests in greater depth or learn ways of integrating new approaches and methods into their private practice, clinic, or agency work. Most of the Specific Interest Sections have extensive experiential components.
Registration maximum (14-20 registrants) has been set by each instructor.

Observation and Evaluation: Institute sections will be observed by Institute Committee members. Registrants will be asked to complete evaluation questionnaires, designed to aid us in continuing to provide high quality meetings, upon conclusion of their attendance at events.

Continuing Education for Two-Day Institute Sections: 13.0 credits/1.3 units

Below are the listings of the two types of Institutes: Process Group Experience (PGE) and Specific Interest Sections. The PGE participants acquire general therapy skills relevant to leading groups by participating in a process-oriented group. Specific Interest Sections offer participants a chance to explore a particular theme in greater depth or to learn a new theoretical approach. For Specific Interest Sections, previous

participation in a PGE is recommended but not required. Members agree to attend the entire group, to participate actively, and to respect the privacy of the other members. After attending an Institute, participants will be able to identify various aspects of group process and dynamics. These groups provide an important opportunity for experiential learning and growth.

Process Group Experience (PGE) Sections

I-A. General Process Group Experience

Entry Level Less than 4 years of group therapy leadership experience	Instructors:	1. Claudia Arlo, MSW, LCSW-R, ICADC, CGP 2. Jeanne Bunker, MSSW, LCSW, CGP 3. Patricia Kyle Dennis, PhD, LCSW, CGP 4. Jay Erwin-Grotsky, LCSW, CGP, FAGPA 5. Andrea Pully, MEd, LPC, CGP, FAGPA 6. Kathy Rider, LCSW, BCD, CGP, FAGPA 7. Sharan Schwartzberg, EdD, OT, FAOTA, CGP, FAGPA 8. Ginger Sullivan, MA, LPC, CGP, FAGPA
Intermediate Level 4-9 years of group therapy leadership experience	Instructors:	9. Helen Chong, LCSW, CGP 10. Karis Klassen, MA, MBT, CGP 11. Charlene Pratt, MA, LCPC, CGP 12. Alyson Stone, PhD, CGP 13. Kurt White, MSW, CGP, FAGPA
Advanced Level 10+ years of group therapy leadership experience	Instructors:	14. Robert Berley, PhD, CGP, LFAGPA 15. Suzanne Cohen, EdD, CGP, FAGPA 16. Molly Donovan, PhD, CGP, FAGPA 17. Keith Rand, LMFT, CGP, FAGPA 18. Barry Wepman, PhD, CGP, LFAGPA

I-B. Process Group Experience Section with Mixed Levels of Experience

Instructors:	1. John Caffaro, PhD, CGP, FAGPA 2. Sara Emerson, LICSW, CGP, FAGPA 3. Michael Frank, MA, LMFT, CGP, LFAGPA 4. Robin Good, PhD, CGP, FAGPA 5. Francis Kaklauskas, PsyD, CGP, FAGPA
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I-C. Process Group Experience Section for Senior Therapists

Limited to prior AGPA Institute instructors or registrants who have participated in four or more AGPA Institutes.

Instructors:	1. Darryl Pure, PhD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA 2. Carol Vaughan, LCSW, CGP, LFAGPA
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I-D. Two-Year Continuous Section

Registration for this section assumes attendance at two consecutive meetings. (This is the 1st year of this two-year group; new participants will be accepted.)

Instructor:	Chera Finnis, PsyD, CGP, FAGPA
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I-E. Two-Year Continuous Section with Intermittent Conference Calls

Registration for this section assumes attendance at two consecutive meetings. There will be five telephone conference call sessions between the two meetings onsite at the Institute. (This is the 2nd year of this two-year group; new participants will not be accepted.)

Instructors:	Gil Spielberg, PhD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA and Robert Unger, MSW, PhD, CGP, FAGPA
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I-F. National Instructor Designate Section

Registration for this section is available only to approved 2017 NID applicants. (The next application will be available in 2019.)

Instructor:	Elaine Jean Cooper, PhD, MSW, CGP, DFAGPA
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or

Specific Interest Sections

- II. Acknowledging the Diamond Years: The Trials and Rewards of the Senior Group Therapist**
Patricia Barth, PhD, CGP, DLFAGPA
Robert White, MD, CGP, LFAGPA
- III. Addiction and Recovery: Groups as Cultures of Resilience**
Marcia Nickow, PsyD, CADC, CGP
Deborah Schwartz, MD, CGP, FAGPA
- IV. Beyond Binaries: Gender, Sexual Identity and Sexuality in Group**
Joseph Acosta, MA, LPC, CGP, FAGPA
Katie Griffin, MA, LPC, CGP, FAGPA
- V. Cultivating the Internal Secure Base: Aligning Psychodynamic Technique with Attachment Theory in Group Therapy**
Aaron Black, PhD, CGP
- VI. Developing Resilient Group Leadership**
Gail Brown, MA, CGP
- VII. Excitement and Shame in Group Psychotherapy**
Stewart Aledort, MD, CGP, FAGPA
- VIII. Expanding the Emotional Range in Group: The Leader's Emotional Receptivity**
Jeffrey Hudson, MEd, LPC, CGP, FAGPA
- IX. Humiliation, Shame and Guilt: Healing Assaults to Self in the Context of Group**
Suzanne Phillips, PsyD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA
- X. If Not Now, When? Deepen Emotional Communication through Group Process**
Mary Sussillo, LCSW, BCD, CGP, FAGPA
- XI. Individuation in Groups: A Jungian Approach to Group Psychotherapy**
Justin Hecht, PhD, CGP, FAGPA
- XII. Less Lonely at the Top: Strengthening Ties and Group Leadership Skills (AGPA Leadership Track)**
TRACK Lise Motherwell, PhD, PsyD, CGP-R, FAGPA
- XIII. Listening Deeply in a Multicultural World: Interpersonal Neurobiology with a Humanistic Perspective**
Marti Kranzberg, PhD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA
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Daisy Reese, LCSW, CGP
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David Dumais, LCSW, CGP
Craig Haen, PhD, LCAT, CGP, FAGPA
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Paul Gitterman, LICSW, MSc, CGP
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Susan Gantt, PhD, ABPP, CGP, DFAGPA
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Sharon Sagi Berg, MA, CGP
Haim Weinberg, PhD, CGP, FAGPA
- XX. Working with Love and Hate: Bringing Passion to Group Therapy**
Ronnie Levine, PhD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA

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75TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Conference is held on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, March 1, 2 and 3; it is composed of several formats, including courses, open sessions, limited registration workshops and special presentations on a variety of topics.

Wednesday, February 28,
6:30 – 7:45 PM

Mitchell Hochberg Memorial Public Education Event

Supported by the Group Foundation for Advancing Mental Health

Group Process as an Intervention for Community Resocialization

Featured Speaker:
David Allen, MD, MPH

This presentation will describe how social fragmentation creates victims of shame, who become destructive to themselves, others, and their community. In the resocialization process through the group process, persons are liberated from being victims of shame to being open to positive emotions, forgiveness, gratitude, and constructive community.



*Dr. David Allen was trained in medicine at Saint Andrew's University in Scotland and in Psychiatry and Public Health at Harvard University in Boston. He is certified by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, with added qualification in addiction. Dr. Allen has taught at Harvard, Yale and most recently held a clinical professorship in Psychiatry at Georgetown Medical School in Washington, DC. In May 2008, Dr. Allen was made a Distinguished Life Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association for his innovative scientific research. In July 2015, Dr. Allen was awarded the Bahamian Icon Award for Humanitarianism. He is the author of numerous books; most recently, **Shame: The Human Nemesis**. Additionally, he has published numerous scientific papers on his research field, addictions and psychological development. Dr. Allen is the Director of the Renaissance Institute in Nassau, and his team of psychotherapists and psychoanalysts specialize in marital therapy, depression, grief and loss, addictions, and crisis management.*

Thursday, March 1,
8:30 – 9:45 AM

Conference Opening Plenary Address

The Role of the Body in Group Psychotherapy: A Sensorimotor Psychotherapy Approach

Featured Speaker:
Pat Ogden, PhD



This keynote will introduce Sensorimotor Psychotherapy for Groups to bring to life ways that the body itself, along with emotional and cognitive work, can become a viable and beneficial target for therapeutic intervention among group members. Working “beneath the words,” Sensorimotor Psychotherapy for Groups elucidates ways the body contributes to the challenges of the individual and to the group. The group milieu is an ideal forum in which to uncover, explore, and work with sensorimotor, body-based experience to help members develop awareness of self and other and examine their present moment experience. Working with movement, posture, and gesture in a group setting will be illustrated through video excerpts.

(Dr. Ogden's keynote lays the foundation for Workshop 12 by Dr. Bonnie Goldstein, which expands upon the foundational principles of Sensorimotor Psychotherapy for Groups.)

*Dr. Pat Ogden is a pioneer in somatic psychology and the Founder of the Sensorimotor Psychotherapy Institute (SPI), an internationally recognized school specializing in somatic–cognitive approaches for the treatment of posttraumatic stress disorder and attachment disturbances. Dr. Ogden is the first author of two groundbreaking books: **Trauma and the Body: A Sensorimotor Approach to Psychotherapy** and **Sensorimotor Psychotherapy: Interventions for Trauma and Attachment (2015)** both published in the *Interpersonal Neurobiology Series of W.W. Norton*. Her current interests include writing and developing trainings in Sensorimotor Psychotherapy, Embedded Relational Mindfulness, culture and diversity, couples therapy, challenging clients, and the relational nature of shame.*

Friday, March 2,
8:30 – 9:45 AM

Anne and Ramon Alonso Presidential Plenary Address

Supported by contributions to the Group Foundation for Advancing Mental Health

Why AGPA?

Featured Speaker:
Barry Helfmann,
PsyD, ABPP, CGP, DFIGPA

This presidential address will cover three main reasons we connect to AGPA: 1) the benefits to us as practitioners, 2) its importance in healthcare, and 3) its importance to our patients. This presentation will highlight how group therapy is essential to the national healthcare scene including the economic benefits of prevention rather than reaction. It will explore in depth how our connections to one another through AGPA tremendously benefit our practice and our patients.



Dr. Barry Helfmann is currently Managing Partner of Short Hills Associates in Clinical Psychology, a group practice. He is formerly Director of Professional Affairs of the New Jersey Psychological Association, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, and Consultant to Private Practices. He has been awarded Psychologist of the Year and Lifetime Achievement Award from the New Jersey Psychological Association (NJPA). He is past president of NJPA and the New Jersey Group Psychotherapy Society. He teaches and writes about professional practice and healthcare trends.

EVENT FORMATS:

COURSES: These courses are designed to cover a variety of topics in-depth. Two-Day Courses meet in four sections on two consecutive days and One-Day Courses meet in two sections for one full day. Participants must attend all sessions in order to receive continuing education credits. Course manuals are available for purchase in advance or onsite at the meeting.
Continuing Education: Two-Day: 10 credits/1.0 units; One-Day: 5.0 credits/.5 units

HALF-DAY OPEN SESSIONS (300 series): These meetings will be presented in a variety of formats, including panels, papers and demonstrations. Audience participation and exchange with the presenters is

encouraged.

Continuing Education: 2.5 credits/.25 units

ONE-HOUR EARLY MORNING OPEN SESSIONS (200 Series): These presentations and discussions will be presented on specialized areas of interest for the group therapist. **Continuing Education: 1.0 credit/.1 unit**

ONE-HOUR EARLY MORNING COLLOQUIES (COL Series): These facilitated roundtable discussion groups will be focused on unique areas of interest for the group therapist. **Continuing Education: 1.0 credit/.1 unit**

The Large Group Open Sessions will be held Thursday and Friday, Lunch-time (1:00-2:15 PM); Saturday, Afternoon (2:00-4:30 PM). Attendance at all sessions is encouraged.

WORKSHOPS (1-100 Series): All-day and half-day meetings provide a context in which participants exchange information among themselves and with the chairperson. These meetings are designed for varying levels of experience including master workshops for senior clinicians and usually include both didactic and experiential learning.

Continuing Education: All-day: 5.0 credits/.5 units; Half-day: 2.5 credits/.25 units

90-Minute Events: These sessions will be presented as open sessions and workshops on Friday afternoon.
Continuing Education: 1.5 credits/.15 units

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7:15-8:15 AM

Early Morning Open Sessions

201. Contemporary Group Psychotherapy Research

Cheri Marmarosh, PhD; Rainer Weber, PhD, Co-Chairs
Group Leader Self-Assessment-Reliability and Validity—Mary Alicia Barnes, MS, OTD
Group Therapy with Low Back Pain (LBP): Can it be Effective?
—Zippora Shechtman, PhD, DFAGPA

202. Mindfully in Connection: Applying Mindfulness for Ourselves and our Clients

Julie Garson, PsyD; Mark Mason, PhD

203. Strengthening Resilience in At-Risk Minority Youth in the School Setting

Brendan Rich, PhD, Chair; Mary Alvord, PhD; Colleen Cummings, PhD; Nina Shiffin, PhD

204. Promote Addiction Recovery by Teaching the Language of Affect

Geoffrey Kane, MD, MPH

205. Weaving Connection from the Threads of Isolation: Utilizing Online Discussion Groups across Counseling Centers

Jennifer Walsh, MA, LMHC, Chair; Laura Dixon, PhD; Melissa King, PhD; Joshua Ziesel, PsyD

Early Morning Colloquies

COL 1. When Culture Becomes a Tragedy. Immigrants, Refugees and Ego-Identity: An International Action Research with Social Dreaming Matrix

Domenico Agresta, MA; Dr. Alessio Sangiuliano; Dr. Arturo Tenaglia

COL 2. A Beginning Amidst Endings: A Private Practice Group for Men and Women Going through Divorce

Christina Chestna, PsyD

8:30-9:45 AM

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Directors: Phillip Horner, LCSW, CGP
Rudy Lucas, LCSW, CASAC, SAP
Christine Schmidt, LCSW, CGP
Marcée Turner, PhD

All-Day Course

C2. Integrated CBT Group Therapy

Director: Greg Crosby, MA, LPC, CGP, FAGPA

All-Day Workshops

1a. (10+) Yearning for Connection: Hesitations on the Edge of Intimacy

Allan Sheps, MSW, RSW; Joan-Dianne Smith, MSW, RSW

2a. (N/L) Decoding Body Language in Group Psychotherapy: Accessing the Core Blueprints for Immediacy

Chap Attwell, MD, MPH; Elizabeth Stewart, CP, APSI

3a. (N/L) Introduction to Modern Group Process

Alice Brown, PsyD, CGP; Sally Henry, LCSW, CGP

4a. (>4) Dissociative Reenactments and Other Trauma Reactions in Members and Leader—Psychodynamic Theory and Group Interventions

Leo Leiderman, PsyD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA

10:00 AM-12:30 PM

Morning Open Sessions

301. Integrating Research and Theory: What Every Group Clinician Should Know

Sally Barlow, MSW, CGP, Chair; Les Greene, PhD, CGP, FAGPA; Francis Kaklauskas, PsyD, CGP, FAGPA

302. Today's Bridge between Psychoanalysis and the Group World

Bonnie Buchele, PhD, ABPP, CGP, DLFAGPA, Chair; Shoshana Ben-Noam, PsyD, CGP, L FAGPA; Susan Gantt, PhD, ABPP, CGP, DFAGPA; Molyn Leszcz, MD, FRCPC, CGP, DFAGPA; Andrew Smolar, MD

303. Trauma, Torture and Displacement: Finding Connection and Self in Group

Andrew Eig, PhD, ABPP, Chair; Adeyinka Akinsulure-Smith, PhD; Hawthorne Smith, PhD; Suzanne Phillips, PsyD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA, Discussant

Morning Workshops

5. (N/L) "Nothing Human is Alien to Me": Intolerance and the Other

Marc Schramm, PsyD, CGP, FAGPA

6. (N/L) Narcissism in Group: We Leaders Are Not Immune!

Dave Kaplowitz, LMFT, CGP; Britt Raphling, LCPC, CGP

7. (N/L) Group Process and the Cinema: Evidence-Based Strategies for Generating Clinical Momentum and Facilitating Change

Elisabeth LaMotte, MSW

8. (N/L) It's a Process Group Experience, Not Therapy: What's the Difference? (AGPA Leadership Track)

Karen Eberwein, PsyD, CGP; Victoria Lee, PhD; Farooq Mohyuddin, MD, CGP; Lorraine Wodiska, PhD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA

TRACK

9. (N/L) **Addressing the Last Taboo—Morality in Group Psychotherapy**
Mary Nicholas, PhD, LCSW, CGP, FAGPA
10. (N/L) **Marketing Your Group Practice: From Resistance to Action to Thriving in a Fragmented World**
Carol Dallinga, LCSW, EMDR, CGP
11. (N/L) **Bibliotherapy—Make Something Out of Nothing through Words and Writing**
Orit Even Shoshan-Reshef, MA
12. (N/L) **Working beneath the Words: Group Therapy through the Lens of Sensorimotor Psychotherapy**
Bonnie Goldstein, PhD
13. (<4) **Motivational Interviewing Groups: Moving Together Toward Change**
Christopher Wagner, PhD
14. (N/L) **Rediscovering Wholeness: Yoga and the Emotional Body**
Bojun Hu, PhD
15. (N/L) **Affirming Group Experiences for Clients and Therapists with Disabilities and Chronic Health Conditions**
Wendy Freedman, PhD; Katherine Kopp Miller, PsyD, HSPP
16. (N/L) **Working with Eating Disorders: Experientially Based Group Psychotherapy**
Corinne Hannan, PhD; Anna Packard, PhD, CGP
17. (N/L) **Group Therapy for Schizophrenic Patients**
Nick Kanas, MD, CGP-R, FAGPA
18. (N/L) **Rethinking Sex Addiction—Sexual Health Group Psychotherapy for Men**
Douglas Braun-Harvey, MFT; Michael Vigorito, MA, CGP
19. (N/L) **Harnessing Group Processes for Traumatized and Bereaved Youth** William Saltzman, PhD; Christopher Layne, PhD; Julie Kaplow, PhD
20. (N/L) **On the Frontlines of Trauma: Two Innovative Group Treatment Models in Response to Mass Violence**
Jorge Burmeister, MD; Isaac Etoku, BA; Gaea Logan, LPC-S, CGP, FAGPA

1:00-2:15 PM

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2:30-5:00 PM

Afternoon Open Sessions

304. **Puzzling Dimensions of Leadership: How Styles and Roles of the Leader Impact Group Function (AGPA Leadership Track)**
TRACK Mary Krueger, MEd, CGP, FAGPA, Chair; Paige LaCava, MA, LCPC, CGP; Dayne Narretta, MSW, LCSW, BCD, CGP
305. **Women and Aggression: History, Healing, and Power**
Jeanne Bunker, CSW, CGP, Chair; Janice Moore Morris, PhD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA; Stacy Nakell, LCSW, CGP; Alyson Stone, PhD, CGP
306. **Moving Forward: Opportunities for Group in the New Health Care Environment** Kathleen Ulman, PhD, CGP, DFAGPA, Chair; Ann Koplou, LICSW; Yara Moustafa, MD, PhD; Martyn Whittingham, PhD, CGP, FAGPA; Alan Witkower, EdD, CGP

Afternoon Workshops

21. (N/L) **The Nuts and Bolts of Starting and Maintaining Groups that Thrive**
Ann Steiner, PhD, MFT, CGP, FAGPA
22. (N/L) **Then and Now: When is the Past Over?**
Dominick Grundy, PhD, CGP, FAGPA
23. (N/L) **Listening to the Group Process—An Integrative/Developmental Model**
Paul Kaye, PhD, CGP, FAGPA
24. (N/L) **Desire and Inhibition: Taking the Leap from Isolation to Connection**
Yoon Kane, LCSW; Tom Thorsheim, PhD, CGP
25. (N/L) **Uses of Self in Group Leadership**
Liz Dietrich, MSW; Geoffrey Kane, MD, MPH; Kurt White, LICSW, LADC, CGP, FAGPA
26. (N/L) **Experientially Exploring Identity: The Importance of Self Awareness to Effective Group Leadership**
Karen Cone-Uemura, PhD, CGP
27. (>4) **99 Unconventional Interventions in Group Psychotherapy**
Robert Pepper, LCSW, PhD, CGP, FAGPA
28. (N/L) **Modern Attachment Theory—Using the "Spectrum of Attachment" to Improve Clinical Practice**
Sue Marriott, LCSW, CGP
29. (N/L) **Group Psychotherapy as a Neuro-Exercise: A Polyvagal Theory Perspective**
Philip Flores, PhD, ABPP, CGP, LFAGPA
30. (N/L) **Group Psychotherapy Focused on Spiritual Development**
John Hiatt, MD
31. (N/L) **The "Mother" Group: Using Interpersonal Neurobiology to Heal Early Attachment Wounds and Affect Dysregulation in Couples**
Darryl Feldman, PhD, CGP; Gloria Batkin Kahn, EdD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA
32. (N/L) **Psychoeducational Groups: Potential for Healing and Growth** Nina Brown, EdD, LPC, NCC, FAGPA
33. (N/L) **Louis C.K. and the Hole in the Middle of the Room: Working with Masculinities in Group Psychotherapy**
Jonathan Stillerman, PhD, CGP
34. (N/L) **Loving and Hating the Adolescent in Group Psychotherapy: The Therapeutic Use of Countertransference**
Andrew Pojman, EdD, CGP, FAGPA
35. (>4) **Coping with Aging in Ourselves and our Clients: The Challenges of Continuing to be Effective and Engaged Group Therapists**
Kenneth Martin Schwartz, MD, FRCPC; William Shapiro, PsyD, CGP
36. (N/L) **Addressing CONTROL & WILLINGNESS in an ACT Focused Sexual Trauma Group in a University Counseling Center**
Jennie Bingham, PhD; Melissa Goates Jones, PhD

5:15-7:15 PM

Membership Community Meeting

Presiding: Eleanor Counselman, PhD, CGP, LFAGPA
AGPA President

New Fellows of the Association will be honored during this meeting.

7:15-8:15 AM

Early Morning Open Sessions

206. **Contemporary Group Psychotherapy Research**

Cheri Marmarosh, PhD; Rainer Weber, PhD, Co-Chairs

Compassion-Focused Group Therapy: A Feasibility Trial—
Cameron Aldredge, BS; Jennifer Jensen, MS; Hal Svien, BS*Development of a Group Leader Instrument Based upon Formal Change Theories and the*
*Situational Leadership Model—First Result —Bernhard Strauss, PhD*207. **The Ethical and Clinical Dangers of Multiple Relationships at**
Group Training Institutes Robert Pepper, LCSW, PhD, CGP, FAGPA208. **Marketing for the Group Therapist: Building Your Social Media**
Empire (AGPA Leadership Track) Marc Azoulay, MA, LPC, LAC, CGP209. **DBT and Modern Group Analysis: An Integrative Lens**
Claudia Arlo, MSW, LCSW-R, ICADC, CGP210. **ADHD Treatment and the Role of Parent Groups** Ruth Geller, MD, MEd211. **Navigating the Risky Business of Assessing Suicide in Therapy**
Groups Joeleen Cooper-Bhatia, PhD; Erica Smith, MA

Early Morning Colloquies

COL 3. **Developing the Whole Performer: A Group Therapy Model for**
Cultivating Expressiveness, Vulnerability, and Connection

Matthew Tomatz, MA, LPC, LAC, CGP

COL 4. **Neural Impacts of Group Psychotherapy: Improving**
Interpersonal Trust and Guiding Therapists about the Mechanisms
of Treatment Mary Newsome, PhD; Wright Williams, PhD, ABPP, CGP

8:30–9:45 am

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All-Day Course

C3. **Principles of Group Psychotherapy (Part 2)**Directors: *Joshua Gross, PhD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA**Misha Bogomaz, PsyD, CGP*Faculty: *Jennifer Alonso, PhD; Tevya Zukor, PhD, CGP**Part 1 is offered by teleconference; See AGPA website for schedule.*

All-Day Workshops

37a. (N/L) **Integrating CBT and Experiential Interventions: A New**
Short Term Group Model Thomas Treadwell, EdD, TEP, CGP; Deborah
Dartnell, MSOD, MA; Ainsley Stenroos, BA38a. (N/L) **Enhancing Empathy and Attachment in Process Groups**
Using Mindfulness and Psychodramatic Techniques
Sue Barnum, MA, TEP, CGP; Jana Rosenbaum, LCSW, CGP39a. (10+) **Aging In: Is this the Beginning of the End or the End of the**
Beginning? Jeffrey Kleinberg, PhD, MPH, CGP, DFAGPA40a. (N/L) **Leadership Development: Transferring Group Therapy**
Skills to Corporate Culture Rick Tivers, LCSW, CGP

10:00 AM-12:30 PM

Morning Open Sessions

307. **Stumbling into Leadership: The Perils and Privileges... (AGPA**
Leadership Track) Farooq Mohyuddin, MD, CGP, Chair; Maryetta
Andrews-Sachs, MA, LICSW, CGP, FAGPA; Cheryl Kalter, PhD, CGP308. **Forming and Maintaining the Modern Analytic Practitioner**
Elliot Zeisel, PhD, LCSW, CGP, DFAGPA, Chair; Laura Ebady, PsyD, CGP;
Drew Lee, MSW, LCSW, CGP; Phyllis Rifkin-Russell, LCSW, MS, LMHC, CGP309. **Treating Fragmented Relationships through Group Therapy**
with Individuals and CouplesJudith Cochè, PhD, ABPP, CGP, L FAGPA, Chair; Yvonne Champion, LCSW,
CGP; Juliette Galbraith, MD, CGP; Albert Neeleman, PsyD310. **Millennials, Gen Xers, and Boomers in Group: Who Gets Voted**
Off the Island? Christine Henry, PhD, Chair; Jason Boothe, PhD; Charles
Crocker, MEd; Daniel Soltis, MA

Morning Workshops

41. (<4) **Theories of Change for the Newly Evolving Group Therapist**
via Narcissistic Injury and the Use of Countertransference
Cindy Aron, MSW, CGP, FAGPA; Sydney Harvey, DO42. (N/L) **Unmasking Race and Culture in Group: Knocking at the**
Boundaries M. Sophia Aguirre, PhD, CGP; Michele Ribeiro, EdD, CGP;
Emi Sumida, PhD43. (N/L) **Using Group to Heal Cognitions, Emotions, and Behaviors**
about (Real!) Money Issues

Michelle Marie Davenport, MA, LMFT; Richard Kahler, MSFP, ChFC

44. (N/L) **Visible and Invisible Identities in Group**

Eri Suzuki Bentley, PhD, CGP; Leann Terry Diederich, PhD

45. (N/L) **Therapists Courageously Confronting their Own Mortality**
with their Patients Debora Carmichael, PhD, CGP, FAGPA46. (N/L) **Using Rough and Tumble Play in the Adult Group**

Andrew Eig, PhD, ABPP

47. (10+) **From Psychodynamic Understanding to Existential**
Understanding Christen Cummins, LCSW, MSW; David Hayes, PhD48. (N/L) **Us versus Them: Group Exploration through Creative Arts**
Anni Cree, MA; Mona Rakhawy, MD49. (N/L) **DBT Skills Training Groups: Blending the Methodology with**
Storytelling, Spontaneity, and Group Process Elizabeth Olson, PsyD, LCSW50. (N/L) **Psychodrama: The Magic of Growth and Change**

Shelley Korshak, MD, CGP, FAGPA

51. (N/L) **Together Through Song: The Power of Communal Singing to**
Create Connection and Elevate Mood Geraldine Alpert, PhD, CGP, FAGPA52. (N/L) **Group Treatment of the Spectrum of Trauma: Disasters to**
Daily Events Bonnie Buchele, PhD, ABPP, CGP, DFAGPA53. (N/L) **Filial Therapy Treatment of Children through their Parents**
in Groups Michael Andronico, PhD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA54. (N/L) **Riding the Third Wave: Practical Utilization of Acceptance**
and Commitment Therapy Metaphors and Mindfulness in Group
Therapy with Compulsive Clients Michael Buxton, PhD; Kristina

Hansen, PhD, CGP; Derek Griner, PhD, ABPP, CGP

55. (N/L) **How the Group Coordinator Can Foster Group Culture and**
Innovation in College Counseling Centers and Other Staff Model Clinic
Settings James Bleiberg, PsyD, CGP; Joeleen Cooper-Bhatia, PhD; Niki

Keating, PhD; Noelle Lefforge, PhD, MHA, CGP; Leslie Veach, MS, NCC, LPCS

Entrance Requirements: N/L= No Limitations; < 4= Less than four years of group leadership experience; > 4= More than four years of group leadership experience;

10+= More than ten years of group leadership experience (Masters Level)

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2:30-4:00 PM

Afternoon 1 ½ Hour Open Sessions

212-5. **Manifestation of Bias and Microaggressions in Group Psychotherapy** Stephanie McLaughlin, PhD, Chair; Melissa Goates Jones, PhD; Noelle Lefforge, PhD, MHA, CGP; Claudia Mejia, PsyD

213-5. **Training Residents in Affective Attunement and Emotional Process: Four Group Models** Pamela Menter, MA, ATR, Chair; Chap Attwell, MD, CGP; Darryl Pure, PhD, CGP, FAGPA; William Watson, PhD, CGP, FAPA

214-5. **Don't Miss the Moment: Putting Process into the Manualized Treatments of CBT, DBT and ACT with Eating Disorders** Jana Rosenbaum, LCSW, CGP, Chair; Susan Mengden, PhD; Delinda Spain, MSW, CGP

215-5. **Expanding the Child/Adolescent Group Leader's Toolbox (Session 1) — Current Group Approaches in Dealing with Issues of Sexuality and Loss in Groups with Youth**

Seth Aronson, PsyD, CGP, FAGPA; Craig Haen, PhD, LCAT, CGP, FAGPA, Co-Chairs; Allison Berwald, LCSW; Maureen Underwood, LCSW, CGP

Afternoon 1 ½ Hour Workshops

56-5. (N/L) **From the Heart of the Dream to the Heart of the Group: An Introduction to Natural Dreamwork** W. Keren Vishny, MD, MA

57-5. (N/L) **The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Group-as-a-Whole** Lawrence Malcus, PhD, ABPP, FAGPA

58-5. (N/L) **Assessing and Managing Suicide Risk in Group Therapy: Ethical and Clinical Considerations** Erica Lennon, PsyD; Rebecca MacNair-Semands, PhD, CGP, FAGPA

59-5. (N/L) **Group as Microclimate: The Psychodynamics of Climate Change and the Possibility of Group Process as Intervention** Benjamin White, LCSW, CGP

60-5. (N/L) **Relationships in Films and in our Groups** Sid Siahpush, MD, CGP

61-5. (N/L) **Harnessing the Conversation: Understanding Systems-Centered's Functional Subgrouping as a Communications Pattern** Michelle Lynskey, PhD; Alida Zweidler-McKay, MBA

62-5. (>4) **The Sound and Color of Silence: A Glance to Silence in Group as a Communication Tool and a Form of Self Exploration** Daniella Bassis, MA

63-5. (N/L) **Sex, Drugs, and Social Media: Ethically Informed Group Therapy Practice with Adolescents (Part 1)** Thomas Hurster, MSS, LCSW, CGP, FAGPA
Attendees must attend Workshop 73-5.

64-5. (N/L) **Transgender Identities and Clinical Practice: Updating and Experiencing Clinical Care Models** Li Brookens, LCSW
This is a pre-requisite for Workshop 74-5.

65-5. (N/L) **Queering Time and Space: Beyond the Binary of Gender and Sexual Orientation in Group Psychotherapy** Carole Clements, MFA, MA

4:30-6:00 PM

Afternoon 1 ½ Hour Open Sessions

216-5. **Marginalization: How the Group Experience Can Further Harm Non-Dominant Participants**

Penelope Asay, PhD, Chair; Mary Clarke, PhD; Torrey Wilson, PhD

217-5. **Core Integrated CBT Skills for Adult ADHD Groups**

Greg Crosby, MA, LPC, CGP, FAGPA

218-5. **Expanding the Child/Adolescent Group Leader's Toolbox (Session 2) — Contemporary Approaches to the Difficult to Reach Child: Autism and Anger Issues**

Seth Aronson, PsyD, CGP, FAGPA; Craig Haen, PhD, LCAT, CGP, FAGPA, Co-Chairs; Kevin Hull, PhD; Qshequilla Mitchell, PhD, MPH

Afternoon 1 ½ Hour Workshops

66-5. (N/L) **Induction or ESP?: Cultivating Intuitive Resources in Group** Michelle Bohls, MA, CGP; William Watson, PhD, CGP, FAPA

67-5. (N/L) **Putting the INTENSIVE Back in Intensive Outpatient Group Programs** Valorie George, MSW, LCSW; Elyssa Fink Gottheim, MSW, LCSW; Kacie Liput, MSW, LCSW; Jennifer Markey, PhD, MED

68-5. (N/L) **Mirror, Mirror on the Screen: The Image Reflected Back to Us Online (iSIG Meeting with Coffee)**

Jason Berman, PhD, CGP; Robert Hsiung, MD

69-5. (N/L) **The Use of Miniatures to Enhance the Group Psychotherapy Experience**

Andrea Grunblatt, PhD, RPT-S, CGP, FAGPA

70-5. (N/L) **Healing through Integration: Exploring How Functional Subgrouping Changes the Story**

Dayna Burnett, PhD; Susan Lange, PhD

71-5. (N/L) **To Use or Not to Use? Being Vulnerable with Substance Use: Running Integrative Harm-Reduction Psychotherapy Groups**

Adam Frankel, PhD, CGP

72-5. (N/L) **Child Group Therapy: What Can We Learn From Its Infancy?** Aaron Fink, MD, CGP

73-5. (N/L) **Sex, Drugs, and Social Media: Ethically Informed Group Therapy Practice with Adolescents (Part 2)**

Thomas Hurster, MSS, LCSW, CGP, FAGPA
Attendees must attend Workshop 63-5.

74-5. (N/L) **Queering Group Therapy: Beyond Homonormative Clinical Care Models** Grace Ballard, MA; Sorin Thomas, MA, LPC, LAC

Workshop 64-5 is a pre-requisite.

6:15-7:30 PM

Memorial Session

A time to commemorate members of the AGPA family we have lost this past year.

9:00 PM

Group Foundation Evening Dance Party

Join us for a night of music and entertainment with **The Grooves**. This spectacular Austin band is one of the best show and dance bands you will find.

The Grooves have an amazing combination of different genres of music and will cover the gamut of all hit favorites, old and new. This band always plays the right songs at the right time at the right volume and is known as a heavyweight in the dance band category in Austin and across Texas.

The Grooves will play from 9:00 PM–12:30 AM followed by an After Party with a DJ from 12:30–2:00 AM

This event is included with the five-day Institute and Conference package or the three-day Conference registration.

7:45-8:45 AM

Early Morning Open Sessions

219. **Contemporary Group Psychotherapy Research**

Cheri Marmarosh, PhD; Rainer Weber, PhD, Co-Chairs

Assault Support Group: A Beginning — Marilyn Lanza, PhD*Current Research Findings that Support Group Work and Help Leaders Foster the Growth of Group Members* — Cheri Marmarosh PhD220. **Getting off the Runway: Forming and Launching your New Psychotherapy Group** Amy Matias, MSW, CGP221. **Winnicott Goes to Group: Survival of the Authentic Self in the Dynamic Digital Age** Lindsey Randol, PsychD; David Songco, PsyD222. **Developing Group Counseling in University Counseling Centers: The Role of Group Therapy Assessment** Leia Charnin, PhD223. **A Two-Tiered Group Consultation and Supervision Model for Community and Mental Health Agencies** Delores Hendrix-Giles, LCSW, CGP, Chair; Catherine Flores, LCSW; Lonique Pritchett, PhD, LCSW; Kirstin Raney, LCSW, CGP

Early Morning Colloquies

COL 5. **Using Group Therapy with Homeless Mothers and Children in Street Situations (CSS)** Noha Sabry, MDCOL 6. **Silence Speaks in Group Therapy: Working with Traumatized People Living in Constant Traumatic Events** Nihaya Aburayyan, MA

9:00-11:30 AM & 2:00-4:30 PM

All-Day Courses

C4. **Group Structure, Process and Content: Key Constructs in Therapeutic Applications of Group Analysis**

Director: John Schlapobersky, BA, MSc, CGP

C5. **Process Addictions for the Group Psychotherapist: From Isolation to Connection**

Directors: Shelley Korshak, MD, CGP, FAGPA

Marcia Nickow, PsyD, CADC, CGP

Barney Straus, MSW, MA, CGP, FAGPA

All-Day Workshops

75a. (N/L) **Invisible Knapsacks: How White People Can Unpack Whiteness and Work toward Racial Justice** Mark Drummond Davis, MSW, CSWA; AJ Metthe, MSW, LCSW; Rachel Redd, MSW, LCSW76a. (N/L) **The Psychoanalytic Power of Social Dreaming: An Opportunity for Communal Integration and Healing of Fragmentation** George Bermudez, PhD77a. (N/L) **Focused Brief Group Therapy: A Brief Intervention with a Lasting Impact** Jordan Allison, PsyD; Martyn Whittingham, PhD, CGP, FAGPA

9:00-11:30 AM

Morning Open Sessions

311. **LOUIS R. ORMONT LECTURE— Witnessing: The Third Axis of Group Process** Richard Billow, PhD, ABPP, CGP312. **Using Practice-Based Evidence to Enhance Your Groups is Easy... and Very Helpful!** Kristina Hansen, PhD, CGP, Chair; Gary Burlingame, PhD, CGP, FAGPA; Jon Cox, PhD, CGP; Derek Griner, PhD, ABPP, CGP313. **The Frightened, the Angry, and the Mobilized: Group Practitioner Postures towards Trouble in Our Society** Siddharth Shah, MD, MPH, Chair; Klair Latino, LCSW; Dawn McCarty, PhD, MSW; Sorin Thomas, MA, LPC, LAC

Morning Workshops

78. (<4) **My First Group: Working with Internal and External Barriers** Heather Frank, PsyD; Jennifer Joseph, PsyD, CGP79. (N/L) **Microaggressions from the Inside Out: Individual, Dyadic, and Group Impacts**

Kavita Avula, PsyD; Sabrina Crawford, PsyD

80. (N/L) **Living Out Loud: Developing the Leader's Voice** Marie Sergeant, PhD81. (>4) **Using Groups to Facilitate Differentiation: Taking Risks to Defeat the Power of Shame**

Kenneth Pollock, PhD, CGP

82. (N/L) **Overcoming Challenges of Rapidly Changing Membership in Groups: A Single Session Design**

Travis Courville, MSW, CGP

83. (10+) **Effective and Efficient Supervision: Doing it in Group** Arthur Gray, PhD84. (N/L) **Exploring Erotic Transference and Countertransference: From Suppression to Healing in Group Process**

Marcia Honig, MA; Guy Segev, MA

85. (N/L) **Functional Subgrouping as an Alternative to Scapegoating Differences**

Robert Hartford, LICSW, LSCP

86. (N/L) **Making Group Visual: Applying Art Therapy to the Group Process and the Therapist's Use of Countertransference**

Sarah Frank, MA, LMFT, ATR

87. (N/L) **Qi Gong Focused Group: Utilizing the Body to Cope with Traumatic Events** Nurit Gafni, MA88. (N/L) **Integrating the Somatic Self with Eating Dysregulation and Developmental Trauma** Fran Weiss, LCSW-R, BCD, DCSW, CGP89. (N/L) **Dialogue versus Destruction: Transformation through the Median Group** Rose McIntyre, LCSW, CGP; Karen Stefano, MA, LPC90. (N/L) **Evidence-Based Group with Children: A Discussion and Demonstration**

Tony Sheppard, PsyD, CGP, FAGPA; Zachary Thieneman, PsyD

11:45 AM-1:45 PM

Group Foundation Luncheon and Performance
Houston Children's Chorus

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10+= More than ten years of group leadership experience (Masters Level)

2:00-4:30 PM

Afternoon Open Session

314. **The Large Group**

Consultants are faculty members of the National Group Psychotherapy Institute of the Washington School of Psychiatry—Active Consultants: Mary Dluhy, MSW, CGP, FAGPA; Ayana Watkins-Northern, PhD; Leon Paparella, MSW, CGP; Robert Schulte, MSW, CGP, FAGPA; Observer Consultants:

Kavita Avula, PsyD; Reginald Nettles, PhD, CGP

Also offered on Thursday and Friday (1:00-2:15 PM)

Attendance at all sessions is encouraged.

Afternoon Workshops

91. (N/L) **Harnessing the Power of Hope and Despair in Group Psychotherapy** Robert Hilliker, LCSW-S, LCDC92. (N/L) **From Preverbal to Verbal: A Modern Analytic Approach to Working with the Body in Group**

Janice Moore Morris, PhD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA

93. (N/L) **Saying Goodbye and Living with the Memories**

Jeffrey Mendell, MD, CGP; Marsha Vannicelli, PhD, CGP, LFAGPA

94. (N/L) **Group Leadership: Coloring Outside the Lines**

Cheryl Kalter, PhD, CGP

95. (N/L) **What Happens When a Co-Leader of a Group Takes a Temporary Leave of Absence**

John Campbell, LCSW, CGP; Hannah Mirmiran, MSW, CGP

96. (N/L) **Living Improv: Using Improvisation to Access the Group Here and Now**

Elizabeth Ehrenberg, MSW, LCSW; Ali Kimmell, MSW, LCSW

97. (N/L) **Couples Group Psychotherapy**

Jeffrey Roth, MD, CGP, FAGPA; Tamara Roth, MS

98. (N/L) **Trusting the Erotic Self: Exploring Sexual Countertransference through Embodied Awareness**

Angelo Ciliberti, MA, CGP; Jenna Noah, MA

99. (<4) **Using Group Techniques to Rebuild Emotional Resilience**

LaJae Coleman, BS; Darlyne Nemeth, MSCP, PhD, CGP; Kortney Wooten, BS

100. (N/L) **Group Cognitive Behavior Therapy (CBT) for Depression in Adults**

Ingrid Sochting, PhD, CGP

101. (N/L) **Repair and Reframe: Present-Centered Group Therapy for Veterans with PTSD** Daniel Gross, MSW; Melissa Wattenberg, PhD, CGP102. (N/L) **Choosing Hope: Addressing Existential Issues in a Buddhist Mental Health Group** Bethany Phoenix, PhD, RN, FAAN

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