Special Institute:
Monday, March 2
Two-Day Institute:
Tuesday & Wednesday, March 3 & 4
Three-Day Conference:
Thursday, Friday, Saturday, March 5-7

GROUP: GROWTH AND RENEWAL

Sheraton New York Times Square Hotel
We are excited to welcome you to AGPA Connect 2020, “Group: Growth and Renewal.” This year’s meeting is being held in New York City and is full of extraordinary educational offerings as well as opportunities for personal growth and connection! We have a large and vibrant Affiliate in the Eastern Group Psychotherapy Society (EGPS) whose members have worked hard to assure that we will be able to enjoy the great variety that the Big Apple has to offer. Be sure to see their Hospitality Guide for food and activity suggestions.

You will see a wealth and breadth of educational and experiential Institutes, Workshops, Open Sessions and Plenaries as you peruse the program. Whether you are seeking to expand your knowledge base with a particular population, such as adolescents, or a particular therapeutic approach to group, you will find plenty of options from which to choose. We have also continued to maintain a strong focus on topics of social justice and diversity, which uphold our values within AGPA. We trust that you will be both personally and professionally nourished through your experience at the meeting. If you need help figuring out how to navigate the many options, check out the FAQ section of the AGPA website.

We call our meeting AGPA Connect because being a part of AGPA is also about the connections we experience, and we hope that you will take advantage of the many opportunities to meet people and form connections. If you are a First-Time Attendee, New Member or New CGP, we encourage you to attend the No Host Tuesday night dinner and the Thursday morning breakfast. Both are great places to start the process of connection. (The dinner is self-pay but AGPA provides the breakfast on Thursday.) Special Interest Groups (SIGs) are also 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 making and deepening connections—and just plain fun! Many of us have been sustained for years through the connections we have made at AGPA Connect.

We look forward to greeting you personally in New York as we share this extraordinary week of learning and growth!

Eleanor Counselman, EdD, CGP, DLFAGPA
AGPA President

Alexis Abernethy, PhD, CGP, FAGPA
AGPA Connect Co-Chairs

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

Two Special Institute Presentations on Monday, March 2:

◆ Robert Grossmark, PhD, ABPP will present “The Untelling: A New Look at Working with the Unconscious in Group.”

◆ Stan Tatkin, PhD will present “A Psychobiological Approach to Couple and Group Therapy.”

Institute and Conference Plenaries:

◆ Jerome Gans, MD, CGP, DLFAGPA will present the Institute Opening Plenary Address entitled, “Getting the Most Out of Your Institute Experience: Some Personal Reflections.”

◆ The documentary “Far from the Tree” will be highlighted during the Mitchell Hochberg Memorial Public Education Event and will include Andrew Solomon, PhD, author of the book, “Far From the Tree,” who is also featured in the film.

◆ Jonathan David Haidt, PhD will be the Conference Opening Plenary Speaker; his presentation will be “How Social Media Is Changing Social Networks, Group Dynamics, Democracies, and Gen Z.”

◆ Melyn Leshcz, MD, FRCCP, CGP, DFLAGPA will deliver the Anne and Ramon Alonso Presidential Plenary Address entitled, “All I Really Need to Know in Life, I Learned in Group.”

◆ The Louis R. Ormont Lecture will be presented by Morris Nitsun, PhD. It is entitled, “Reflections on Art and Life through Dolls: The Power of Visual Images to Evoke Personal and Social Themes.”

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 on page 15 of this program. We hope you will join us as a member.

◆ Students, Early Career Professionals, Retirees, and Clinicians and Chaplains working with Active Duty Military and Veterans Discount. These populations are offered a 35% discount.

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. 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.)

AGPA Connect 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 this program.
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Two Special Institute Presentations

Monday, March 2, 9:00 AM–5:00 PM

SI-1. The Untelling: A New Look at Working with the Unconscious in Group
Instructor: Robert Grossmark, PhD, ABPP

T raua and neglect are not encoded in the symbolic and representational register. They exist in a dimension that is neither past nor present, an “unpast” that shadows experience and interaction. These pre-experiences become manifest in the enacted dimension of individual and group treatment. The group analyst unobtrusively companions the group into the enactments that are an unconscious “untelling” of the “unpast” and to let these enactments speak in their own register. Being known by the group and companioned in these areas of pain, shame and fragmentation creates a lived representation of the “unpast” and is the foundation on which group and individual transformation and healing rests.

Dr. Robert Grossmark is a psychoanalyst in private practice in New York City. He works with individuals, groups, and couples and conducts psychoanalytic reading and supervision groups. He teaches and supervises at the New York University Postdoctoral Program in Psychoanalysis, The National Institute for the Psychotherapies Program in Adult Psychoanalysis, National Training Program in Psychoanalysis, The Eastern Group Psychotherapy Society and other psychoanalytic institutes and clinical psychology doctoral programs. He has authored numerous papers on psychoanalytic process and group treatment and the recently published book, The Unobtrusive Relational Analyst: Explorations in Psychoanalytic伴名ing. He co-edited the books, The One & The Many: Relational Approaches to Group Psychotherapy and Heterosexual Masculinities: Contemporary Perspectives from Psychoanalytic Gender Theory, all published by Routledge.

SI-2. A Psychobiological Approach to Couple and Group Therapy
Instructor: Stan Tatkin, PsyD, MFT

His Special Institute will cover a Psychobiological Approach to Couple Therapy (PACT) theory and methodology for working with couples. PACT is a poly-theoretical, non-linear approach that combines fusion of attachment theory, developmental neuroscience, and arousal regulation. PACT focuses on early attachment and its effect on the brain and nervous system development, as well as on specific neuroendocrine issues related to interpersonal stress. The PACT methodology emphasizes enactment of experience over cognition or psychological interpretation. Interventions often entail therapeutically staged moments intended to trigger arousal and implicit somatoaffective experience and memory. PACT training enables clinicians to discover and analyze psychobiological cues, or “tells,” and other bottom-up (implicit) processes that reveal what top-down (explicit) approaches cannot.

Dr. Stan Tatkin is a clinician, researcher, teacher, and developer of the Psychobiological Approach to Couple Therapy® (PACT). He has a clinical practice in Calabasas, CA, and developed the PACT Institute for the purpose of training other psychotherapists to use this method in their clinical practice. In addition, Dr. Tatkin teaches and supervises family medicine residents at Kaiser Permanente, Woodland Hills, CA, and is an Assistant Clinical Professor at the UCLA David Geffen School of Medicine, Department of Family Medicine. Dr. Tatkin is on the Board of Directors of Lifespan Learning Institute and serves as a member on Relationships First, a nonprofit organization founded by Harville Hendrix and Helen LaKelly Hunt.

Two-Day Institute Sections

Tuesday & Wednesday, March 3-4

Institute Opening Plenary Session
Tuesday, March 3, 8:30-9:15 AM

Getting the Most Out of Your Institute Experience: Some Personal Reflections

Featured Speaker: Jerome Gans, MD, CGP, DLFAFAPA

A GPA Institutes provide unique, experiential learning opportunities—both cognitive and emotional. To help optimize these opportunities, Dr. Gans will draw from his extensive experience running Institutes, training groups, and demonstration groups, inviting the audience to think about a number of questions that Institute participation raises to optimize their experiences. He will also offer five suggestions that will help you get the most out of your Institute experience. Dr. Gans’s remarks remind us that it is only through our interactions with other people that we have opportunity to more fully understand ourselves.

Dr. Jerome Gans is a Distinguished Life Fellow of the American Group Psychotherapy Association and the American Psychiatric Association. Now retired, he was for many years an Associate Clinical Professor of Psychiatry, Part Time, at Harvard Medical School and maintained a private practice for 48 years. He served AGPA in several capacities and was a yearly presenter at AGPA Connect from 1986-2017. He has authored or co-authored 22 publications in the Journal for over 28 years on a variety of topics. In 2018, the Northeastern Society for Group Psychotherapy honored him with its Lifetime Achievement Award. In addition to group therapy, he has published on psychological aspects of physical rehabilitation, individual psychotherapy, and psychotherapeutic and literature.

The Two-Day Institute is 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. However, 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, March 3, 9:30 AM–5:45 PM and Wednesday, March 4, 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 through participation in training groups in those models. 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 Experiences (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. *Please note: It is NOT recommended that participants who know each other register for the same group.

### Process Group Experience (PGE) Sections

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**Intermediate Level**

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**Advanced Level**

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<td>19. Elaine Jean Cooper, MSW, PhD, CGP, DFAGPA</td>
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<td>20. Judith Schear, LCSW, CGP, FAGPA</td>
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#### I-B. Process Group Experience Section with Mixed Levels of Experience

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#### I-D. Two-Year Continuous Section

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#### I-E. Two-Year Continuous Section with Intermittent Conference Call Meetings

Registration for this section assumes attendance at two consecutive AGPA Connect Meetings. There will be five video 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.)

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### Specific Interest Sections

#### II. Bringing Life to Group: The Leader’s Use of Self

**Elliot Zeisel, PhD, LCSW, CGP, DFAGPA**

#### III. Building a Systems-Centered Group

**Dorothy Gibbons, MSS, LCSW, CGP; Robert Hartford, LICSW, CGP**

#### IV. Cultivating the Internal Secure Base: Aligning Psychodynamic Technique with Attachment Theory in Group Therapy

**Aaron Black, PhD, CGP, FAGPA**

#### V. Developing Resilient Group Leadership

**Gail Brown, MA, CGP**

#### VI. Doing it Differently: Cultivating Transference, Working through Repetition, and Rewiring Neurobiological Patterns

**Elizabeth Olson, PsyD, LCSW, CGP**

#### VII. Early Longing, Sexual Desire and Everything In Between

**Joseph Acosta, MA, LPC, CGP, FAGPA; Katie Griffin, MA, LPC, CGP, FAGPA**

#### VIII. Encounter: Clarifying Boundaries of Self, Making Intimate Contact with Other

**Bruce Aaron, MSW, CGP**

#### IX. Expanding the Emotional Range in Group: The Leader’s Emotional Receptivity

**Jeffrey Hudson, MED, LPC, CGP, FAGPA**

#### X. Finding Our Center of Health: Coupling Modern Analysis with Relational Life

**Ginger Sullivan, MA, LPC, CGP, FAGPA**

#### XI. Forging Relationships in Turbulent Times

**Jeanne Bunker, LCSW, CGP, FAGPA**

#### XII. Group Process as a Method of Change from Compliance to Authenticity

**Shoshana Ben-Noam, PsyD, CGP, DFAGPA**

#### XIII. Group Psychotherapy Supervision and Clinical Consultation

**J. Scott Rutan, PhD, CGP-R, DSAFAGPA**

#### XIV. If Not Now, When: Access the Power of Immediacy to Renew Vital Engagement

**Mary Sussillo, LCSW, BCD, CGP, FAGPA**

#### XV. Individuation in Groups: A Jungian Approach to Group Psychotherapy

**Justin Hecht, PhD, CGP, FAGPA**

#### XVI. Living Out Loud: Attuning the Leader’s Voice

**Marie Sergeant, PhD, CGP**

#### XVII. Longing for Home: Past Attachments and Reparative Re-Attachments in the Therapy Group

**Myra Frank, PhD, CGP**

#### XVIII. Managing Love and Hate in the Group Setting

**Ronnie Levine, PhD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA**

#### XIX. Racism’s Cost of Disconnection: Can We Reconnect?

**Phillip Horner, LCSW, CGP; Marcée Turner, PhD, CGP**

#### XX. Reconnecting Masculinity: Reworking the Terms of Manhood

**David Dumais, LCSW, CGP; Craig Haen, PhD, LCAT, CGP, FAGPA**

#### XXI. Relationships as Addictions: Untangling and Healing Self in Group

**Suzanne Phillips, PsyD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA**

#### XXII. Social Identities, Power and Privilege: How Difference is Essential for Group Cohesion

**Paul Gitterman, LICSW, MSC, CGP**

#### XXIII. Stepping Up, Stepping In: Challenges and Rewards of Leadership (AGPA Leadership Track)

**Sara Emerson, LICSW, MSW, CGP, FAGPA**

#### XXIV. Racialized Trauma in Black, Indigenous, or People of Color Therapists

**Kavita Avula, PsyD, CGP; Marcus Hummings, PsyD, CGP**

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Participants’ Network

Purpose

The purpose of the Participants’ Network is to provide a forum for sharing and learning about the latest developments and best practices in the field of group psychotherapy.

Program

The Program for the Participants’ Network includes a keynote address, panel discussions, and roundtable sessions.

Format

The format of the conference includes a keynote address, panel discussions, and roundtable sessions. The keynote address will be delivered by a leading expert in the field of group psychotherapy. Panel discussions and roundtable sessions will provide a platform for sharing and learning about the latest developments and best practices in the field.

Objectives

The objectives of the Participants’ Network are to:

1. Foster knowledge exchange and collaboration among professionals in the field of group psychotherapy.
2. Provide a platform for sharing and learning about the latest developments and best practices in the field.
3. Promote the use of evidence-based practices in group psychotherapy.

Evaluation

The evaluation process will include a pre- and post-conference survey to assess the impact of the program on participants’ knowledge and practice. The results of the evaluation will be used to inform future programming and to improve the quality of the conference.

Participants’ Network

The Participants’ Network will be open to all professionals in the field of group psychotherapy. Registration will be limited to a maximum of 50 participants to ensure a culture of learning and discussion.

Location

The conference will be held in a conference center in a city with a large population of group psychotherapy professionals.

Date

The conference will be held on a date when the majority of participants are likely to be available.

Contact Information

For more information, please contact the conference organizers at participantsnetwork@grouppsychotherapy.org.
**77th Annual Conference**

The Conference is held on Thursday, Friday, Saturday, March 5, March 6 and 7; and includes courses, open sessions, limited registration workshops, and special presentations on a variety of topics.

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**Wednesday, March 4**

6:30-8:00 PM  
**Mitchell Hochberg Memorial Public Education Event**  
Supported by the Group Foundation for Advancing Mental Health

**Far from the Tree**

**Featured Speaker:** Andrew Solomon, PhD

Far from the Tree is a documentary based on the highly acclaimed award-winning book by Andrew Solomon. Dr. Solomon’s startling proposition is that diversity is what unites us all. He writes about families coping with deafness, dwarfism, Down syndrome, autism, schizophrenia, multiple severe disabilities, as well as families whose children are prodigies, transgender, conceived in rape, or are criminals.

Elegantly reported by a spectacularly original thinker, Far from the Tree explores themes of generosity, acceptance, and tolerance—all rooted in the insight that love can transcend every prejudice. This crucial and revelatory work expands our definition of what it is to be human. It is inspirational to recognize the healing power of group affiliation in the lives of these individuals and families.

Excerpts from the film will be shown, tying together Dr. Solomon’s own life and story with the experiences highlighted in the families he interviews. Following the showing, Dr. Solomon will be interviewed and respond to questions from the audience.

Dr. Andrew Solomon is a writer and lecturer on psychology, politics, and the arts; winner of the National Book Award; and an activist in LGBTQ rights, mental health, and the arts. He is Professor of Clinical Medical Psychology (in Psychiatry) at Columbia University Medical Center. He received a Bachelor of Arts degree in English from Yale University in 1985. Later he earned a Master’s degree in English and a doctoral degree in Psychology at Jesus College, Cambridge. From 1993 to 2001, Dr. Solomon was a contributing writer for the New York Times Magazine.

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**Thursday, March 5**

8:30-9:45 AM  
**Conference Opening Plenary Session**  
How Social Media Is Changing Social Networks, Group Dynamics, Democracies, and Gen Z

**Featured Speaker:** Jonathan David Haidt, PhD

Social media has changed many parameters of social life, in ways that are damaging teen mental health. Heavy users of social media have twice the rate of depression and anxiety, and five published experiments indicate that the effect is at least partly causal: people who stop or reduce social media experience gains in mental health. This talk addresses what social media has done to Gen Z, the generation born beginning in 1996. Because social media changes networks, it has effects on most groups and organizations. The big challenge is to find ways to help groups and communities use social media in more healthy ways.

Dr. Jonathan Haidt (pronounced “height”) is a social psychologist at New York University’s Stern School of Business. He received his PhD from the University of Pennsylvania in 1992, and taught for 16 years in the department of psychology at the University of Virginia. Dr. Haidt’s research examines the intuitive foundations of morality, and how morality varies across cultures—including the cultures of progressives, conservatives, and libertarians. Dr. Haidt is the author of The Happiness Hypothesis: Finding Modern Truth in Ancient Wisdom and of The New York Times bestsellers The Righteous Mind: Why Good People Are Divided by Politics and Religion, and The Coddling of the American Mind: How Good Intentions and Bad Ideas are Setting Up a Generation for Failure (co-authored with Greg Lukianoff). In 2019 he was inducted into the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and was chosen by Prospect magazine as one of the world’s “Top 50 Thinkers.”

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**Friday, March 6**

8:30-9:45 AM  
**Anne and Ramon Alonso Presidential Plenary Address**  
All I Really Need to Know in Life, I Learned in Group

**Featured Speaker:** Mlyn Leszcz, MD, FRCP, CGP, DFAGPA

This presentation will focus on the essential contributions our understanding of group therapy, group process and group principles make in every aspect of our professional lives. Beyond the powerful role of group therapy in the delivery of meaningful and effective mental health care, thinking like a group therapist can shape how we work organizationally in AGPA, and what we can bring to the healing of the fractures in our society. I believe our expertise and understanding has never been more needed in the world.

Dr. Mlyn Leszcz is a Professor in the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Toronto where he served as Clinical Vice Chair (2010-2017) and as Psychiatrist-in-Chief at Sinai Health System (2006-2017). In addition to more than 100 peer-reviewed papers and chapters, he co-authored with Irvin Yalom, the Theory and Practice of Group Psychotherapy, 5th ed. (2005). The 6th edition will be published in 2020. A co-authored book, Achieving Psychotherapy Effectiveness was published in 2015. Dr. Leszcz was awarded the Alonso Award for Outstanding Contributions to Psychodynamic Group Therapy and is a Distinguished Fellow of AGPA. Dr. Leszcz has been the recipient of a number of postgraduate education awards at the University of Toronto.
EVENT FORMATS:

COURSES: These courses are designed to cover a variety of topics in-depth. 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: 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. Check designations for beginning and master levels (for senior clinicians). 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

LEADERSHIP TRACK:

The Leadership Track is open to all AGPA Connect attendees interested in learning how to apply group therapy leadership skills to organizational leadership. Assembled by the Affiliates Societies Assembly (ASA) Leadership Task Force, the Leadership Track promotes the development of local Affiliate and national leaders in order to seed, promote, and sustain robust and meaningful leadership in AGPA.

Even if you are not planning to take a leadership role, these programs can help you understand leadership struggles, dynamics and strategies and promote stronger organizations.

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7:15-8:15 AM

Early Morning Open Sessions

201. Contemporary Group Psychotherapy Research
Cheri Marmarosh, PhD, Chair
- Validation of the Assault Response Scale: An Update for Nurses in a Group
  — Marilyn Lanza, DNSc, ARNP, FAAN
- Continuous Documentation of Group Therapy Process Session Process and Content: Results of a Practice Based Study—Bernhard Strauss, PhD

202. Addressing Medical Resident Wellbeing: Renewal Through Groups at Work
Brenda Boatswain, PhD, CGP; Mark Mason, PhD

203. Group Therapy for Orthodox Jewish Men: The Correlation of Loneliness and Faith
Mendel Horowitz, MS

204. Divorce: Now What? Helping Children and Parents with Adjustment to Family Transitions: An Integrative Model of Intervention
Barbara Flye, PhD; Kimberly Vale, LCSW

205. The Ultimate Container: Groups in Space
Nick Kanas, MD, CGP-R, FAGPA

Early Morning Colloquies

COL1. The Ability of the Group to Induce Growth Through Renewal of Members’ Emotions and Self-Esteem
Mohamed Taha Siddik Mohamed, MD, PhD, CGP; Hoda Refaat Mahfouz, MSC, CGP, Rofida Wessam

COL2. Bion, Hallucinosis, and the Holocaust
Bennett Roth, PhD

COL3. Supporting Pregnant and Parenting Students on a College Campus: A Multifaceted Approach Including Group Therapy
Abby Bradecich, PsyD

COL4. E-Group Psychotherapy (EGP) — "Far away, but still very close" — Online Group Therapy: Research, Best Practice, and Demonstration
Bram van der Boom, MD; Pepijn Steures, MD, CGP

8:30-9:45 AM

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See page 7 for event details

10:00 AM-12:30 PM & 2:30-5:00 PM

All-Day Courses

C1. Principles of Group Psychotherapy (Part 2)
Directors: Mikhail Bogomaz, PsyD, ABPP, CGP; Jennifer Martin, PhD, CGP
Faculty: Karen Cone-Uemura, PhD, CGP; Annie Weiss, LICSW, CGP, FAGPA; Teyva Zukor, PhD, CGP

Part 1 is offered by webinar; see AGPA website for schedule.

C2. Integrative Cognitive Behavioral Group
Director: Greg Crosby, MA, LPC, CGP, FAGPA

C3. Enriching Psychoeducational Groups: Process, Activities, and Ethics
Director: Nina Brown, EdD, LPC, NCC, DFAGPA

All-Day Workshops

1a. (N/L) Sexuality, Hate, Shame, and Abandonment: The Family We Wish We Had and the Group We Can Have
Jordan Price, LCSW, MSW, CGP

2a. (N/L) The Tree of Life — A Journey Towards Self-Discovery, Renewal and Growth
Marcia Honig, PsyD; Morris Nitsun, PhD

3a. (N/L) Enhancing Empathy and Attachment Using Mindfulness and Psychodramatic Techniques in Process Group
Sue Barnum, MA, TEP, CGP; Jana Rosenbaum, LCSW, CGP, FAGPA

4a. (N/L) Groups as Cultures of Resilience: A Psychodynamically Oriented Treatment Approach for Addiction and Trauma
Marcia Nickow, PsyD, CADC, CGP; Deborah Schwartz, MD, CGP, FAGPA

10:00 am-12:30 PM

Morning Open Sessions

301. Changing Our Minds: The Leader’s Evolving Psychology and its Impact on the Group
Tzachi Sionim, PhD, ABPP, CGP, Chair; Richard Bilow, PhD, ABPP, CGP; Bonnie Buchele, PhD, ABPP, CGP, DFAGPA; Gila Ofer, PhD

302. Women and Aggression: History, Healing, and Power
Jeanne Bunker, LCSW, CGP, FAGPA; Jan Morris, PhD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA; Co-Chairs: Rita Drapkin, PhD, CGP; Elizabeth Driscoll, LCSW; Chera Finnis, PsyD, CGP, FAGPA

303. Rehumanization of Military Veterans Through Shakespeare: A Performance and Discussion
Craig Haen, PhD, LCAT, CGP, FAGPA, Chair; Alisha Ali, PhD; Nina Thomas, PhD, ABPP, CGP; Stephan Wolfert, MFA

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Morning Workshops

5. (N/L) Working Effectively with Transference in Group: Love, Anger, Idealization, and Eroticism Jennifer Joseph, PsyD, CGP; David Kaplowitz, LMFT, CGP

6. (N/L) Decisions, Decisions: How they Become Invisible When we Work Dominick Grundy, PhD, CGP, FAGPA

7. (N/L) The Nuts and Bolts of Creating and Maintaining Groups that Thrive Ann Steiner, PhD, MFT, CGP, FAGPA

8. (N/L) Racism: “...And No One Dared Disrupt the Sound of Silence...” April Harvin, LCSW; Christine Schmidt, LCSW, CGP

9. (N/L) Out of the Chair: Integrating Team-Building Activities with Group Therapy Barney Straus, MSW, MA, CGP

10. (N/L) Close Reading and Reflective Writing: How Storytelling Facilitates Group Process Ann Burack-Weiss, PhD, LCSW; Lynn Lawrence, MS, MSW; Lynne Mijangos, MS, MFA, MSW


12. (N/L) Expressive Movement to Explore Life Transitions: Group Process and the Rhythm of Change Suzanne Cohen, EdD, CGP, FAGPA

13. (N/L) Psychodrama: The Magic of Growth and Change Shelley Firestone, MD, CGP, FAGPA

14. (4+) A Journey into the Mind: Bringing Mentalizing Alive in Group Valorie George, LCSW, CGP; Jennifer Markey, PhD, CGP

15. (N/L) Decoding Body Language in Group Psychotherapy: Accessing the Core Blueprints for Immediacy Chap Atwell, MPH; Liz Stewart, BCS

16. (N/L) The Secret Agent Society” - A Multi-Media, Evidence-Based Group Social Skills Program for Children Renée Beaumont, PhD; Jo Hariton, PhD, LCSW, CGP; Meghan McKenzie, PhD

17. (N/L) Expanding Diversity Dialogues: Treating Clients with Health Conditions and Disabilities Wendy Freedman, PhD, CGP; Leslie Klein, PhD; Katheryne Kopp Miller, PsyD, HSPP

18. (N/L) Queering Clinical Practice with Awareness and Responsiveness Sorin Thomas, MA, LPC, LAC

19. (N/L) Why is This Happening NOW in My Groups? Applying a Transgenerational Perspective to Current and Past Collective Trauma Lorraine Wodiska, PhD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA; Barbara Wood, PhD

1:00-2:15 PM

Lunch-Time Open Session

LG-1. The Large Group from a Systems-Centered Framework Susan Gantt, PhD, ABPP, CGP, DFAGPA; Claudia Byram, PhD, CGP; Frances Carter, MSS, LSW; Ray Haddock, MBChB, MMEdSc, FRCPsych, Facilitators; Robi Friedman, PhD, Consultant

2:30-5:00 PM

Afternoon Open Sessions

304. Forming and Maintaining the Modern Analytic Practitioner Elliot Zeisel, PhD, LCSW, CGP, DFAGPA; Chair; Dennis Foley, PsyD; Anna Graybeal, PhD, CGP; Brit Raphling, LCPC, CGP

305. Working with Trans and Gender Nonconforming Youth and Young Adults: Clinical, Medical, and Life Support Needs Thomas Hurster, MSS, LCSW, CGP, Chair; Mark Beauregard, LCAT; Sheilagh Fox, MS; Melissa Goates-Jones, PhD; Elizabeth McAdam, MA, RDT, LCAT; Caroline Salas-Humara, MA

306. Stories We Carry: An Exploration of the Impact of Trauma Stories on the Clinician and the Group Mary Krueger, MSED, LCPC, CGP, FAGPA, Chair; Catherine Brennan, MD; Paige LaCava, MA, LCPC, CGP; Shira Marin, PhD

Afternoon Workshops

20. (N/L) How Not to Do Individual Psychotherapy in a Circle Kenneth Pollock, PhD, CGP

21. (N/L) Am I My Brother’s Keeper? Exploring the Influence of Sibling Dynamics Brett Kociol, PsyD; Yair Kramer, PsyD; Benjamin Mueller, PsyD

22. (N/L) Battling the Epidemic of Loneliness in Ourselves and in Our Groups Jeffrey Kleingold, PhD, MPH, CGP, DFAGPA, Zoe Voyatzaki, MA, MIGA

23. (N/L) Humanizing the Oppressor (Humanizing Ourselves) Susan Mah, BA, MSW, MFA; Marc Schramm, PsyD, CGP, FAGPA

24. (N/L) Indecent Exposure?: The Pitfalls and Potential of Group Therapist Self-Disclosure Jonathan Stillerman, PhD, CGP

26. (N/L) Greeting Google: Navigating Groups in a Digital World Lindsey Randol, PsychD; David Songco, MA, PsyD, CGP

27. (<4) What Will the Neighbors Think? How to Develop Positive Relationships in Shared Spaces Leah Slivko, LCSW, PsyChA

28. (N/L) Group Therapy as an Inner Exploration Through Color, Words, and Motion (Towards a Process of Self-Growth) Daniella Bassis, MA; Orit Even Shoshan-Reshef, MA; Icita Tuvet-Cytryn, PsyD

29. (N/L) Seeing and Being Seen in Group Psychotherapy: A Polyvagal Theory Perspective Phillip Flores, PhD, ABPP, CGP, LFAGPA

30. (N/L) Integration Through Bodily and Verbal Movements Bojun Hu, PhD; Lizhu Zhao, MS

31. (N/L) Incorporating Spirituality, Religion, Seeking Meaning, and Growth into Group Therapy Rosalind Forti, LCSW, MSW; PhD; Lorraine Mangione, PhD

32. (N/L) Rethinking Sex Addiction—Sexual Health Group Psychotherapy for Men Douglas Braun-Harvey, MFT; Michael Vigorito, LMFT, CST, CGP

33. (10+) Coping with Aging in Ourselves and Our Clients: The Challenges to Continuing to be Effective, Resilient and Engaged Group Therapists George Saiger, MD, CGP, LFAGPA; Kenneth Schwartz, MD, FRCPc

34. (N/L) Queer and Transgender Clinicians on Therapist Self-Disclosure Sarah Tyerman, MA; Joseph Wise, MD, CGP

35. (N/L) LEGO® Group Therapy, for All Ages in Psychiatric Inpatient Settings Kasra Khorasani, MD

5:15-7:15 PM

Membership Community Meeting

Presiding: Eleanor Counselman, EdD, CGP, LFAGPA

AGPA President

The following award recipients will be honored during this meeting:

- Affiliate Societies Assembly Award
- Harold S. Bernard Training Award
- New Fellows of AGPA

The Presidential Transition occurs during this meeting.

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212-5. How Group Therapists Can Relate to Psychotherapy Research Without Fear or Intimidation
Sally Barlow, PhD, ABPP, ABGP, CGP, Chair; Les Greene, PhD, CGP, DLFAGPA; Francis Kaklakas, PsyD, FAGPA

213-5. Developing and Maintaining the Co-Leader Relationship
Ryan Spencer, LMFT, CGP, Chair; Keith Rand, MA, MFT, CGP, FAGPA, Moderator; Pierre Choucroun, PhD, LPC-S, CGP; Scott Phillips, LMFT, CGP; Donna Rich, LCSW; Deborah Sharp, LCSW, CGP; Alyson Stone, PhD, CGP

214-5. DBT and Modern Group Analysis: An Integrative Lens
Claudia Arlo, LCSW-R, CGP, FAGPA

215-5. Psychodynamic Group Psychotherapy in the Treatment of Patients with Psychosis
Ivan Uric, MD, PhD, Chair; Majda Grab; Branca Ristek-Petrovic, MD, PhD

Afternoon 1 ½ Hour Workshops

52-5. (N/L) A Deeper Look at Detours and Distancing Behaviors Within White Affinity Groups
Michele Ribeiro, EdD, CGP, FAGPA

53-5. (N/L) A Group Approach to Political Culture: How to be a Therapist in a Politically Diverse World
Adrian Lory, LPC

54-5. (N/L) Ethics is a Team Sport!!
James Abrams, MA, Madeline Stein, MA

55-5. (N/L) Considerations in Supervision of Clinicians of Color: A Peer Consultation Group Model
Brenda Boatswain, PhD, CGP

56-5. (N/L) Leading Group Leaders: Leadership Skills for Group Coordinators in UCCs and Other Settings
Carrie Brown, PhD; Niki Keating, PhD

57-5. (N/L) Assessing and Managing Suicide Risk in Group Therapy: Ethical and Clinical Considerations
Erica Lennon, PsyD

58-5. (N/L) Interpersonal Neurobiology, Courage and High-Performing Teams
Carolyn Waterfall, MS

59-5. (N/L) Clay Therapy Group – How Clay Therapy Promotes Emotional Expression Individually and/or Alone Together
Elizabeth (Liz) Rosenblatt, PsyD

60-5. (N/L) Talkin’ Bout My Generation: Existentialism and Issues of the Newly Aging (50+) in Group Therapy
Shayne Ann Vitemb, MA, LMFT, CGP

61-5. (N/L) The Use of Film, Memoirs, and Music in Groups with Patients with Psychosis
Natalie Haziza, MA

62-5. (N/L) “I Said NO”: Empowerment Self-Defense and Healing from Trauma
Anne Miller-Jueda, MSS, LCSW

Afternoon 1 ½ Hour Workshops

63-5. (N/L) Moving Towards More Equitable Practices: Challenging Hetero-White Western Norms in Group Therapy
Daniela Recabarren, PhD, MS; Renita Sengupta, PsyD

64-5 (N/L) The Mantle of Power: Working with Negative Authority Transfer (AGPA Leadership Track)
Marc Azoulay, MLA, LPC, LAC, CGP, Lauren Walther, LCSW, LCDC

65-5. (N/L) Sibling Issues in Groups and Organizations
Einar Gudmundsson, MD

66-5. (<4) Theories of Change for the Newly Evolving Group Therapist via Narcissistic Injury and the Use of Countertransference
Sydney Harvey, DO; Richard Jones, DO

67-5. (N/L) Somatic Interventions for Groups
Karin Bustamante, LPC, CGP

68-5. (<4) Training Group Therapists: Live Supervision, Using a Treatment Team Approach
Pat Alford-Keating, PhD, ABPP; Sunil Obiediah, PhD

69-5. (N/L) The Link Between Behaviorism and Psychodynamic Group Psychotherapy
Russell Hopfenberg, PhD, CGP, FAGPA

70-5. (N/L) Developing Post-Traumatic Growth and Resilience Through Experiential Groups
Renae Mendez, LCSW

71-5. (N/L) Connecting with the Unforgotten: Integrative Approach for Creative Reminiscence for the Elderly
Noha Sabry, MD, CGP

72-5. (N/L) Integrative Group Therapy for Patients with Psychosis: An Evidence-Based Approach
Nick Kanas, MD, CGP-R, FAGPA

73-5. (N/L) Mood, Food, and Groove©: Using Group to Promote Health and Wellness on Campus
Deborah Sharp, LCSW, CGP

74-5. (N/L) Working with the Military: Developing Cultural Competence
Helene Satz, PsyD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA

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 Dance Party
After several days of intensive learning, the Group Foundation for Advancing Mental Health invites you to join us for a spectacular dance party. This party provides you an opportunity to meet and mingle with your colleagues and have a fun time on or off the dance floor.

Complete event descriptions can be found on AGPA’s Website: agpa.org
Tuesday

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

All-Day Courses

C7. The Theory and Practice of Online Therapy: Group, Individual, Couple and Family
Director: Haim Weinberg, PhD, CGP, FAGPA
Faculty: Amon Rolnick, PhD, MA; Nilly Zohar, LLB

C8. Focused Brief Group Therapy: An Eight Session, Integrative Interpersonal Model
Martyn Whittingham, PhD, CGP, FAGPA

All-Day Workshops

75a. (N/L) Experientially Exploring Identity: The Importance of Self Awareness to Effective Group Leadership
Karen Cone-Uemura, PhD, CGP; Joshua Ziesel, PsyD
76a. (N/L) Introduction to Modern Group Process
Alice Brown, PsyO, CGP; Chris Dolin, LCSW
77a. (N/L) Leadership Development: Using Group Therapy Skills in Corporate Culture
Rick Tivers, LCSW, CGP

9:00-11:30 AM

Morning Open Sessions

310. LOUIS R. ORMONT LECTURE —
Reflections on Art and Life through Dolls: The Power of Visual Images to Evoke Personal and Social Themes
Morris Nitsun, PhD

311. The US Migration Crisis: Implications for Group Therapists
Robert Klein, PhD, ABPP, CGP, DLFGAPA; Suzanne Phillips, PsyD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA; Co-Chairs; Leonardo Leiderman, PsyD, ABPP, CGP, FAGPA; Annabel Raymond, LMFT, CGP; Victor Schermer, MA, LFAGPA; Hawthorne Smith, PhD; Jessica Young, Esq

312. Creating Safe Spaces in Groups: Working with Intersecting Identities in Child and Adolescent Groups
Tony Sheppard, PsyD, CGP, FAGPA; Chair; Robin Dean, PsyD; Lena McCain, MA; Madeline Stein, MA; Zachary Thieneeman, PsyD, CGP

Morning Workshops

78. (N/L) White Fragility, Transference and Countertransference
Ani Mirasol, LCSW; Kristin Shanahan, MA, LPC-S
79. (N/L) Overlapping Identities within Ourselves and our Groups: Privileged, Marginalized, Accepted, and Eccentric
Francis Kaklauskas, PsyD, FAGPA
80. (N/L) Don’t Push the River; It Flows By Itself...Exploring Existential Factors in Group
Maryetta Andrews-Sachs, MA, LCSW, CGP, FAGPA; Farooq Mohyuddin, MD, CGP, FAGPA
81. (N/L) Group Psychotherapy Supervision: Expanding Reach and Knowledge (AGPA Leadership Track)
Michelle Collins-Greene, PhD, ABPP, CGP; Noelle Lefforge, PhD, MHA, CGP; Stephanie McLaughlin, PhD, CGP
82. (N/L) A Creative Exploration of Co-Leadership in Groups
Robert Mineo, PhD; Mona Rakhawy, MD, CGP
83. (N/L) ESP or Induction: Cultivating Intuition in Group
Michelle Bohls, LMFT, IRT, CGP
84. (N/L) Group Dynamics and the New Heroism: Creating a Group Context that Supports Courageous Nonviolent Action
Bill Roller, MA, LFAGPA; Yong Xu, MD, FAGPA
85. (N/L) A Compassion Focused Approach to Group Therapy
Mark Beecher, PhD, ABPP, CGP; Gary Burlingame, PhD, CGP, DLFGAPA; Michael Buxton, PhD; Kara Cattani, PhD; Derek Griner, PhD, ABPP, CGP; Kristina Hansen, PhD, CGP; Clinton Hobbs, PhD
86. (N/L) Systems-Centered Consultation: Shifting from Them to Us
Susan Beren, PhD
87. (N/L) Explorando la Barrera Idiomática en Grupo: El Sonido de Emociones en Español (Exploring the Language Barrier in Group: The Sound of Emotions in Spanish)
Joan Coll, MD
88. (N/L) The Opposite of Addiction is Connection: The Group as an Agent Toward Sustainable Sobriety
Andrew Susskind, LCSW, SEP, CGP

11:45 AM-1:45 PM

Group Psychotherapy Foundation Luncheon and Performance

Chamber music is a form of classical music performed by a small group of players, without a conductor. Decisions about the music are made by consensus. Players must simultaneously be masters of their instrument while being highly empathetic to the other members and aware of the whole group in order to play with precision and artistic sensitivity. We are privileged to welcome three extraordinary musicians from the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center, Nicholas Canellakis, Paul Neubauer, and Arnaud Sussman, who will perform and also discuss some of the challenges they face as members of a leaderless group charged with such a demanding undertaking. AGPA Member Priscilla Kauff, PhD, DLFGAPA will lead the discussion.

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

313. The Large Group from a Systems-Centered Framework
Susan Gantt, PhD, ABPP, CGP, DFAGPA; Claudia Byram, PhD, CGP; Frances Carter, MSS, LSW; Ray Haddock, MBBChB, MMedSc, FRCPsyCh, Facilitators; Robi Friedman, PhD, Consultant

Afternoon Workshops

89. (N/L) Microaggressions from the Inside Out: Self, Pairs, and Group Impact  Sabrina Crawford, PsyD
90. (N/L) Breaking the "No Talk" Rule Around (Real) Money Issues  Michelle Davenport, LMFT, CGP; Richard Kahler, MSFP, ChFC, CFP
91. (N/L) Where the Wild Things Are: Finding our “Other” in Group  Simon Bresler, LMSW; Kerin Nadler, MS, BC-DMT, LCAT, CGP
92. (N/L) Memorializing Farewell  Jeffrey Mendell, MD, CGP; Marsha Vannicelli, PhD, LFAGPA

93. (N/L) Authenticity in Leadership: Uses of Self in Group Work  Elizabeth Dietrich, MSW; Kurt White, LICSW, LADC, CGP, FAGPA
94. (10+) The Aging Therapist  Rachel Ginzberg, PsyD; Elizabeth Shapiro, PhD, CGP
95. (N/L) Eliciting Compassion and Acceptance in Group: Experiential Interventions for Shame and Self-Criticism  Giovanna Rivano Gomez, PsyD; Scott Hamilton, MS, LMHC; Leslie Veach, MS, LPCS, NCC
96. (N/L) Aspects of Hope: Time, Limitations and Imagination in the Analytic Group  Ido Peleg, MD
97. (N/L) The Rules of Engagement: Using Couples Therapy Principles in Group  Lee Kassan, MA, CGP, LFAGPA
98. (N/L) Core Integrative CBT Skills for Adult ADHD Groups  Greg Crosby, MA, LPC, CGP, FAGPA
99. (N/L) Renewing Attention to the Here-and-Now: Present-Centered and Wellness Group Treatments for PTSD  Barbara Niles, PhD; Daniel Gross, MSW; DeAnna Mori, PhD; William Unger, PhD; Melissa Wattenberg, PhD

Join AGPA’s Continuous Online Group held in conjunction with the 2020 Meeting. The task of this group will be to provide experience with and learning about online large group dynamics. It will be available “24/7” from February 27-March 11 and its members will interact electronically. The co-leaders will be: Robert Hsiung, MD; Jeffrey Roth, MD, CGP, FAGPA; Vincenzo Sinisi, MA, CGP; Joe Wise, MD, CGP; with Anne Lindhardt, MD, as consultant. Register online or use the registration form on the back cover; more information is available on the AGPA website (agpa.org). AGPA Connect 2020 registrants can participate gratis.

12-Step Recovery Meetings. Members of AGPA who are members of 12-Step fellowships have organized a daily OPEN 12-STEP MEETING during the six-day Annual Institute and Conference. These meetings are open to members of any 12-Step fellowship (AA, NA, GA, Al-Anon and others). They are also open to any member of AGPA interested in exploring recovery for themselves, their family members, or those supporting their colleagues in recovery.

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SATISFACTORY COMPLETION
Learners must complete an evaluation form to receive a certificate of completion. Your chosen sessions must be attended in their entirety. Partial credit of individual sessions is not available. If you are seeking continuing education credit for a state or specialty not listed below, it is your responsibility to contact your licensing/certification board to determine course eligibility for your licensing/certification requirement.

CERTIFIED GROUP PSYCHOTHERAPISTS (CGP): Institute and Conference events may be counted towards recertification requirements for the International Board for Certification of Group Psychotherapists on a one hour per one continuing education credit basis. Please note that all continuing education credit events for CGP recertification must be in group psychotherapy.

PSYCHOLOGISTS: American Group Psychotherapy Association is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. AGPA maintains responsibility for this program and its content. Maximum of 42 hours.

SOCIAL WORKERS: AGPA, ASWB provider #1064, is approved as a provider for continuing education by the Association of Social Work Boards, 400 South Ridge Parkway, Suite B, Culpeper, VA 22701, www.aswb.org. ASWB Approval Period: 1-27-18 to 1-27-21. Social workers should contact their regulatory board to determine course approval. Social workers will receive up to 42 continuing education clock hours for participating in this course. ASWB approval is accepted in 48 states. ASWB is not accepted in NY and NJ.

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NURSES: In support of improving patient care, this activity has been planned and implemented by Amedco LLC and AGPA. Amedco LLC is jointly accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), to provide continuing education for the healthcare team.

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How to Register

Use our online registration system for quick and easy registration. The online registration will provide an immediate confirmation of choices. Online registration is available on the AGPA website, agpa.org. You may also register using the back cover of this program by e-mail, fax, or regular mail.

- Online at agpa.org;
- Email form to registration@agpa.org;
- Fax to AGPA at 212-979-6627;
- Mail to AGPA, c/o Chase Manhattan Bank, Church Street Station, PO Box 6359, New York, NY 10249-6359. (Non-U.S. residents are requested to have checks drawn on U.S. banks.)
- Phone 877-668-AGPA (2472)

AGPA staff is available to take your registration by phone Monday-Friday (9:00 AM - 6:00 PM Eastern) toll free at 877-668-AGPA (2472) or call 212-477-2677. Please have credit card information and event selections available.

If you require special accommodations to fully participate, please provide a written description of your needs and send to registration@agpa.org or fax to 212-979-6627.

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$259.00 single/double occupancy;
$299.00 Club Level

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Even further room discounts are available to early career professionals, full-time students and psychiatric residents ($80+ tax per person/double occupancy required). Student rooms are handled on a first-come, first-served basis while they are available. Room shares are required. All inquiries for student housing are to be addressed to the AGPA office only.

Travel Arrangements

Delta Air Lines is pleased to offer special discounts for AGPA Connect! For reservations, visit delta.com and enter NMTM5 in the Meeting Event Code box on the Search Flight page. You may also call Delta Meeting Network® at 1-800-328-1111 Monday–Friday, 7:00 a.m. – 7:30 p.m. (CT). Please note there is not a service fee for reservations booked and ticketed via our reservation network® at 1-800-328-1111 Monday–Friday, 7:00 a.m. – 7:30 p.m. (CT). The letter should also verify that the agency or institution is a non-profit. (Other discounts are not applicable when using an agency/institutional discount.)

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Cancellations must be submitted in writing by February 3, 2020 and will be subject to a $50 service charge. Refunds will not be granted after February 3. It is the responsibility of the registrant to cancel whether or not registration confirmation has been received.

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- Complimentary registration for year-round e-Learning events
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- Priority consideration for AGPA Connect Scholarships (see agpa.org for details)

WEBSITE: AGPA.ORG

- Brings therapists, students, and clients together
- Provides complete information on AGPA programs and products, gives clients help in locating qualified group therapists
- Access to Members-Only section
- Online E-Directory provides a national collegial referral network of over 2,000 group therapists

PUBLICATIONS

- Free subscription to the International Journal of Group Psychotherapy and four additional mental health journals
- The Group Circle newsletter providing members current professional information and the opportunity for national contacts and collegiality
- AGPA Group Connections, our monthly email newsletter, provides AGPA information updates
- The AGPA e-Learning monthly newsletter, keeping you abreast of the exciting online continuing education opportunities available
- Discount on AGPA Curricula and Taylor & Francis publications

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- Consultation on research and design development
- Access to grants and group research opportunities
- Publication opportunities

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- Special Interest Groups provide a forum for networking and peer support among individuals with similar interests
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- Obtain national visibility and recognition in your area of professional specialization

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- Our local societies across the country offer collegiality, referral networks, training, consultation and supervision
Applicant information:

First Name  M.I.                 Last Name   Degree(s)

(Please check the box for the address and email that you want to have listed in our online directory and receive AGPA mailings.)

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☐ Psychiatrist

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☐ Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselor

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☐ Certified Group Psychotherapist (CGP) – Complete the CGP application online at agpa.org/cgp-certification/ and with approval receive your first year of AGPA membership FREE.

☐ Professional – A minimum of a master's degree in a mental health field.

Please check one and provide:

☐ Clinician: license number, national membership or certification: __________________________________________________________________________________________________________

☐ Academic Faculty: institution _________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________

☐ Researcher: (2) studies published in peer-reviewed journal(s): ____________________________________________________________________________________________________________

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Please indicate date of graduation

(month/year) _____/_____ and institution_ _______________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________

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Please indicate institution: ______________________

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(Please note that your membership renews on a 12-month cycle, July through June. 15- and 18-month rates only apply to new member applicants.)

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Registration Form

(please print legibly. duplicate forms as needed.) this form will be used as the basis for registration information. use a separate form for each registrant.

Name ____________________________ Degree ____________________________

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Please indicate the best method of contact during AGPA Connect mobile □ e-mail □

Do you have any disabilities which require special accommodations? if so, please identify your specific needs in a separate letter.

Status □ AGPA Member □ AGPA Applicant □ Nonmember (membership application on page 15) □ Scholarship Applicant

Profession: □ Psychiatrist □ Psychologist □ Creative Arts Therapist □ Marriage & Family Therapist □ Social Worker □ Mental Health Counselor □ Nurse □ Alcoholism & Drug Abuse Counselor □ Pastoral Counselor □ Group Analyst □ Other ____________________________

Is this your 1st Meeting? □ Yes □ No How did you hear about us? ____________________________

Years of group psychotherapy practice? ____________________________

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SPECIAL INSTITUTE REGISTRATION: □ Dr. Grossmark "The Untelling: A New Look at Working with the Unconscious in Group"

□ Dr. Tatkin "A Psychobiological Approach to Couple and Group Therapy"

TWO-DAY INSTITUTE REGISTRATION: List preferences for Tuesday & Wednesday, March 3 & 4 refer to Process Group Experience Sections or Specific Interest Sections

1st Choice 2nd Choice 3rd Choice 4th Choice

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION: List preferences for Thursday, Friday & Saturday, March 5-7. Indicate courses, open sessions as well as workshops by event numbers.

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SPECIAL OFFER: Register for the Special Institute plus the Five-Day Package and deduct $50 from your total fees.

REGISTRATION TOTAL: $ ____________

MEMBERSHIP TOTAL: $ ____________

FOUNDATION TOTAL: $ ____________

How to Complete the Registration Form

SPECIAL INSTITUTE REGISTRATION: □ Dr. Grossmark □ Dr. Tatkin

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- To write all information legibly as it will be used to prepare all registration materials.
- Always include alternate event selections on the registration form; if you don’t select alternates you may not be assigned to an event. For immediate selection confirmation use the online registration form.
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