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Treatment of Complex Trauma

Christine A. Courtois 2012-01-01

This insightful guide provides a pragmatic roadmap for treating adult survivors of complex psychological trauma. Christine-Courtois and Julian Ford present their effective, research-based approach for helping clients move through three clearly defined phases of posttraumatic recovery. Two detailed case examples run throughout the book, illustrating how to plan and implement strengths-based interventions that use a secure therapeutic alliance as a catalyst for change. Essential topics include managing crises, treating severe affect dysregulation and dissociation, and dealing with the emotional impact of this type of work. The companion Web page offers downloadable reflection questions for clinicians and extensive listings of professional and self-help resources. See also Drs. Courtois and Ford’s edited volumes, Treating Complex Traumatic Stress Disorders (Adults) and Treating Complex Traumatic Stress Disorders in Children and Adolescents, which present research on the nature of complex trauma and review evidence-based treatment models.

The Unobtrusive Relational Analyst

Robert Grossmark 2018-04-17

Psychoanalysts increasingly find themselves working with patients and states that are not amenable to verbal and dialogic engagement. Such patients are challenging for a psychoanalytic approach that assumes that the patient is in the verbal realm and is capable of reflective function. Both the classical stance of neutrality and aloofness and a contemporary relational approach that works with mutuality and interactivity, can often ask too much of patients. The Unobtrusive Relational Analyst introduces a new psychoanalytic register for working with such patients and states, involving a present and engaged analyst who is unobtrusive to the unfolding of the patient’s inner world and the flow of mutual enactments. For the unobtrusive relational analyst, the world and idiom of the patient becomes the defining signature of the clinical interaction and process. Rather than seeking to bring patients into greater dialogic relatedness, the analyst companion the patient in the flow of enactive engagement and into the damaged and constrained landscapes of their inner worlds. Being known and compartmentalized in these areas of deep shame, shame and fragmentation is the foundation on which psychoanalytic transformation and healing rests. In a series of in-depth case examples, Dr. Grossmark illustrates the work of the unobtrusive relational analyst. He reconfigures the role of action and enactment in psychoanalysis and group-analysis, and expands the understanding of the analyst's subjectivity to embrace receptivity, surrender and companioning. Offering fresh concepts regarding therapeutic action and psychoanalytic engagement, The Unobtrusive Relational Analyst will be of great interest to all psychoanalysts and psychoanalytic psychotherapists.

Embodied Social Justice

Bas Johnson 2017-08-09

Embodied Social Justice introduces a body-centered approach to working with oppression, designed for social workers, counselors, educators, and other human service professionals. Grounded in current research, this integrative approach to social justice works directly with the implicit knowledge of our bodies to address inequalities in social power. Consisting of a conceptual framework, case examples, and a re-examination of social justice, this monograph integrates key findings from education, psychology, traumatology, and somatic studies while addressing critical gaps in how these fields have understood and responded to everyday issues of social justice.

Expressive Arts Therapy for Traumatized Children and Adolescents

Carmen Richenkovs 2015-08-11

Expressive Arts Therapy for Traumatized Children and Adolescents is the book so many expressive arts and trauma therapists have been waiting for. Not only does it lay out an organized, thorough framework for applying varied expressive arts modalities, it provides clear directions for the application of these modalities at different phases of treatment. Both beginning and experienced clinicians and students will appreciate the thoughtful analyses of ways for introducing expressive arts to clients, engaging clients with their art, being present to the art that is created, and working within a particular session structure that guides the treatment process. Readers will also receive more specific learning regarding the process of using body-focused and sensory-based language and skills in the process of trauma treatment over time. They’ll pick up more than 60 priceless expressive-arts assessment and treatment interventions that are sure to serve them well for years to come. The appendices features these interventions as photocopyable handouts that will guide the therapist working with youth through each phase of treatment.

Attachment-Focused EMDR: Healing Relational Trauma

Laurel Parnell 2013-10-07

This book presents a therapy that focuses on precisely these areas. Laurel Parnell, leader and innovator in the field of eye-movement desensitization and reprocessing (EMDR), offers us a way to embrace two often separate worlds of knowing: the science of early attachment relationships and the practice of healing within an EMDR framework. This beautifully written and superbly practical book provides therapists with a map of the territory and a detailed how-to manual of the skills and tools needed to embark on this journey. It offers a robust and comprehensive set of strategies to use with clients who are struggling with the effects of attachment issues. The book is divided into four parts. Part I lays the groundwork and outlines the five basic principles that guide and define the work. Part II provides information about attachment-repair resources available to clinicians. This section can be used by therapists who are not trained in EMDR. Part III teaches therapists how to use EMDR specifically with an attachment-repair orientation, including client preparation, target development, modifications of the standard EMDR protocol, desensitization, and using interweaves. Case material is used throughout. Part IV includes the presentation of three cases from different EMDR therapists who used attachment-focused EMDR with their clients. These cases illustrate what was discussed in the previous chapters and allow the reader to observe the theoretical concepts put into clinical practice—giving the history and background of the clients, actual EMDR sessions, attachment-repair interventions within these sessions and the rationale for them, and information about the effects of the interventions and the course of treatment.

Trauma and Expressive Arts Therapy

Cathy A. Malchiodi 2020-03-27

"Psychological trauma can be a life-changing experience that affects multiple facets of health and well-being. The nature of trauma is to impact the mind and body in unpredictable and multidimensional ways. It can be a highly subjective that is difficult or even impossible to explain with words. It also can impact the body in highly individualized ways and result in complex symptoms such as affect memory, cognitive impairment, and a variety of somatic symptoms. For many people, trauma is characterized by symptoms that are resilient and without long term effects, many do not. Trauma’s impact often requires approaches that address the sensory-based memories many survivors report. The expressive arts therapies—the therapeutic application of art, dance/movement, drama, creative writing and imaginative play—are largely non-verbal ways of self-expression of feelings and perceptions. More importantly, they are action-oriented and tap implicit, embodied experiences of trauma that can be expressed through verbal therapy or logic. Based on current evidence-based and emerging brain-body therapies, there are eight key reasons for including expressive arts in trauma intervention, covered in this book: (1) letting the senses tell the story; (2) self-soothing mind and body; (3) engaging the body; (4) enhancing emotional communication; (5) prioritizing the therapist; (6) enhancing personal control; (7) making meaning and; (8) restoring aliveness—"".

Touching the Relational Edge

Asaf Ben-Shahar 2018-05-11

The psychotherapeutic encounter is a meeting between embodied psyches, bodies present in the room, speaking with each other, impacting and impacted by one another; bodies who are waiting for us to listen to them and dialogue with them - and speak on their behalf. The field of body psychotherapy has been exploring this embodied dialogue since the 1950s. The book "Touching the Relational Edge" delves into the history of body-psychotherapy, offering theoretical and clinical conceptualizations and insights and in rich with clinical vignettes and applicable exercises, all aimed to provide the reader with a theoretical and experiential understanding of the place of the body in psychotherapy allowing the reader a dynamic, curious and affective engagement. The book opens a window into the cutting-edge world of relational body-psychotherapy, offering the reader a personal and professional journey into the depth of therapeutic relationship as seen through anatomical and relational eyes.