



Department of Human Services
Human Services Institute
Professional Development Seminars

“Beyond Antisocial – An Introduction to Psychopathy”

Date: Thursday, May 16, 2019

Course times: 9:30 am – 12:30 pm
3 CE Hours

Location: One Bergen County Plaza, Room 460, Hackensack, NJ 07601

About the Course:

This workshop introduces the difference between antisocial behavior and psychopathy. Attendees will learn to identify psychopathic traits in their clients and will thus develop a more advanced approach to treatment planning, limit setting, and self-evaluation when treating psychopathic clients.

About the Instructor:

Jonathon J. Marsh has worked at the Women’s Rights Information Center since July 2016, which is a community based nonprofit 501 (c) (3) established in 1973 in response to the needs of women caught up in a changing society. In addition, Mr. Marsh serves as a Consultant to A Partnership for Change, a non-profit organization dedicated to ending family abuse and intimate partner violence. He is also an Adjunct Professor of Psychology and Criminal Justice at Saint Thomas Aquinas College. Previously, Mr. Marsh worked for the Bergen County Division of Alternatives to Domestic Violence overseeing the largest domestic violence clinical intake unit in northern New Jersey.

Who Should Attend:

This intermediate workshop is designed for social workers at all levels of experience and licensure (LCSW, LMSW, LISW-BSW, AAW) who are interested in learning about psychopathy versus other personality disorder

Course Objectives:

1. Define the difference between antisocial behavior and psychopathy.
2. Describe the prevalence of psychopathy and its nontraditional features that do not pertain to violence or criminality.
3. Compare psychopathy to DSM 5 personality disorders such as antisocial personality disorder, narcissistic personality disorder and borderline personality disorder.

Course Outline:

9:30-10:00 – Introduction; discussion about well-known psychopathic individuals versus those whom one might not immediately identify as psychopathic; discussion about how is addressed in the legal and criminal justice system and the consequence of being labeled a psychopath.

10:00-10:30 – Psychopathy represents more than antisocial personality traits; discussion about the major theories behind current understanding of the syndrome.

10:30-11:00 – Comparison of biological/environmental underpinnings of psychopathic vs. antisocial qualities; psychopathy and antisocial personality disorder in the prison population; psychopathy extends to the general population.

11:00- 11:30 – Discussion about the relationship between psychopathy and personality disorders; introduce the items in the Psychopathy Checklist- Revised (Hare, 2003) and discuss how such traits are exhibited in people.

11:30-12:30 – Clinical interviews with psychopathic child sex offenders; discussion on what, if any, treatment modalities are promising for psychopathic clients – discussion on “Is treatment possible”? Discussion about the different approaches. The importance of peer supervision when counseling clients with psychopathy

The cost is \$40.00 per person. No refunds are available.

Make check payable to: “County of Bergen”

Send registration to:

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NJ Social Workers: An application has been made for consideration of 3 Clinical CE credits for this course.

To receive a certificate (for CEs):

Participant must pay the fee, attend entire workshop, sign in, sign out, *and* complete an evaluation. Certificates will be distributed at the conclusion of the workshop.

If you have any questions or concerns, or need special accommodations, please call (201) 336-7455.