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November 4 & 5, 2011 (Friday/Saturday)

Faculty: Daniel J. Sonkin, Ph.D.; Curtis St. Denis, Portland State University; Robert Scholz, Pepperdine University

MEETS FULL REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVANCED TRAINING IN
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE EDUCATION FOR DV PROVIDERS!

FRIDAY – NOV. 4, 2011, 8am–5pm — Daniel J. Sonkin, Ph.D.

“Wider Than The Sky: Incorporating Neuroscience and Attachment Theory into Batterer Treatment”

In this workshop you will learn:

- The relationship between insecure attachment and anger
- How insecure attachment can lead to violence
- How to help clients more adaptively regulate emotions in a way that enhances relationships.
- How to incorporate the science of mirror neurons in psychotherapy.
- The differences between emotional and cognitive empathy, contagion and sympathy

SATURDAY – NOV. 5, 2011, 8am–12Noon — Curtis St. Denis

“Innovations In Treating the Untreatable: Psychopathic Domestic Violence Offenders”

This workshop, based on innovative treatment models for reaching this most difficult population, will teach essential skills in discriminating the treatable from the untreatable.

- How to identify the psychopathic offender
- What we know and do not know about this psychopathic offenders
- Arguments for targeting psychopathic offenders for specialized interventions
- Developing strategies that actually make sense with this population
- Recommendations for how to intervene, both at the coordinated community response level and in treatment settings

SATURDAY – NOV. 5, 2011, 1pm–5pm — Robert Scholz

“Welcoming Resistance Into the Room: Motivational Interviewing Strategies with Men in Treatment”

Motivational Interviewing (MI) is an innovative therapeutic strategy treatment providers being used to increase treatment motivation and reduce resistance within the treatment process.

- The most current methods for assessing client motivation and readiness to change
- A theoretical framework and strategies for using MI and the TTM with DV offenders
- Skills to help improve rapport with clients and enhance treatment adherence
- Opportunities to practice MI and TTM skills with common issues that DV offenders bring to treatment

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ABOUT THE SPEAKERS:

Daniel Jay Sonkin, Ph.D., LMFT, has specialized in childhood and adult trauma, interpersonal conflict and family violence for the past thirty years. He is an internationally-recognized expert in the field of family violence who has testified as an expert witness in death penalty, domestic violence and standard of care cases. Dr. Sonkin is the author of numerous books and articles on domestic violence, child abuse, and incorporating attachment theory and neurobiology into clinical practice.

Curtis St. Denis, MA, (Portland State University) is the Clinical Coordinator for the Special Supervision Team in Multnomah County, Oregon assessing for psychopathy and violence risk. He has worked in the field of forensic psychology since 1983, including work in three prisons and the Oregon State Hospital.

Robert Scholz, LMFT, (Pepperdine University) serves as Assistant Director and Coordinator of Alcohol and Other Drug Programs at Pepperdine University's Counseling Center. He is a frequent presenter/trainer at national conferences and co-author of the book, *Engaging Resistance: Creating Partnerships for Change in Sex Offender Treatment*.

DATE, TIME & LOCATION:

Nov. 4 & 5, 2011 (Friday/Saturday)

Registration: 7:30 AM

Workshops: 8:00 AM–5:00 PM

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