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Dr. Kort, a therapist, coach and author, has been practicing psychotherapy for over 25 years and has spoken internationally on the subject of gay counseling. He specializes in sex therapy, gay affirmative psychotherapy, sexually compulsive behaviors, and IMAGO relationship therapy designed for couples to enhance their relationship through improved communication. Dr. Kort is a blogger for the Huffington Post and Psychology Today on issues of sexuality. He

has been a guest on the various television programs on mixed orientation marriages and "sexual addiction". Dr. Kort is the author of several books, including, Gay Affirmative Therapy for the Straight Clinician, 10 Smart Things Gay Men Can Do To Improve Their Lives, 10 Smart Things Gay Men Can Do To Find Real Love, and Is My Husband Gay, Straight or Bisexual. Speaker Disclosure:

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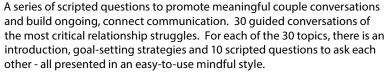
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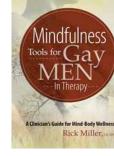


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You will learn transformational strategies to treat the unique challenges your client may be facing such as:

- self-acceptance and internalized homophobia
- non hetero-normative sexual behaviors and practices
- trauma and abuse from growing up LGBTQ
- the difficult process of coming out

Also, let me help you avoid the common mistake of believing, "a couple is a couple" and treating LGBTQ couples the same as their heterosexual counterparts.

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Outline Day 1

Do No Harm: Make Your LGBTQ **Client Feel Safe & Respected** in Therapy

- Red-flag words: Offensive words you might use (without you knowing!)
- Intake session: questions about developing identity
- Strategies to establish rapport and comfort
- Tips for discussing sex and sexuality

Coming Out

- Stigma and its impact on mental health from childhood to adulthood
- 6 distinct stages with interventions
- Navigate the 3 phases of coming out to avoid isolation and alienation
- Fear, shame and rejection unique to this population
- Relationship concerns: family, friends, school or workplace
- Finding a sense of belonging in LGBTQ community
- Harmful and dangerous effects of conversion therapy

LGBTQ Adolescence

Coming out issues

- It gets better but not before coming out Bullying and other safety issues contributing to PTSD Harm reduction adult dating apps such as Grindr, Scruff, etc. Risk assessment for substance abuse Assess for suicidality Finding support
- 1. Assess psychological trauma of growing up gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and questioning.
- 2. Recognize the specific and most common stages of coming out to accurately assist your client.
- 3. Differentiate common misdiagnosed mental health disorders and assessments.

Gay Male

- Develop a treatment plan and goals for unique challenges growing up gay male
- Accurate assessment of alcohol use with this high risk population
- HIV & STI prevention strategies and risk and harm reduction
- Generational differences informing
- different treatment plans
- Internalized homophobia
- Learn specific sexual terminology to avoid
- alienating your client

Lesbian

- Develop a treatment plan and goals for unique challenges growing up lesbian Specific terminology that is helpful and damaging in this population Sex and sexuality: what to know, what to ask
- Strategies to manage gender dynamics Internalized homophobia manifests
- in development

Bisexuality

Learn strategies to help the anxiety of bisexuals in dating and relationships Internalized biphobia and bisexual development from childhood into adulthood Compare and contrast male and female bisexuality

- 4. Use specific interventions and assessment tools for LGBTQ clients and gay affirmative therapy.
- 5. Distinguish using interventions that work and don't work for different generations.
- 6. Discuss contemporary perspectives of Lesbian and Gay couples.

Target Audience: Counselors • Social Workers • Psychologists • Psychotherapists • Case Managers • Marriage & Family Therapists • Nurses • Addiction Counselors • Other Mental Health Professionals



Transgender

- Overcome the knowledge barrier
- Avoid using outdated treatment plans
- Learn and differentiate correct terms such as gender queer, gender fluid and cisgender
- Strategies to help your client tell their partner, families, friends and employers
- Tips to discuss hormone treatments and surgical procedures
- Crucial points for transgender teens medically and psychologically and how to create best treatment plan

Talk About Sex!

- Don't miss out on key info by ignoring the sex talk
- Top or bottom? And other important questions to ask: flexible, changing sexual preferences and attractions
- Varieties of sexuality
- Protect the client from your own biases and assumptions

Questioning

- Avoid mislabeling a client and leading them down the wrong sexual identity path
- Differentiate between sexual fluidity from bisexuality, gay and lesbian identities
- Differentiate between sexual identity, sexual behavior and sexual fantasies

Working with LGB Couples

- Dynamics of a same gendered couple including vulnerabilities and strengths
- Coming out discrepancy causing turbulence for couples
- Recognize and identify how internalized homophobia creates conflicts
- Open relationships in gay male couples
- Sexual issues and strategies on compatibility, incompatibility, frequency and satisfaction

Working with Mixed Orientation Couples and Relationships

- Specific stages of coming out as a mixed orientation couple
- Specialized treatment programs for the straight spouses
- Helping LGBTQ spouse integrate their identity into their mixed orientation relationships
- Learn how to identify which couples will succeed and which won't

LGBTO Families

- Closeted family—family has own coming out process
- Typical negative family reactions
- Questions to help clients come out to family Helping family accept their LGBTQ child Therapeutic interventions

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- 7. Formulate strategies for LGB couples on compatibility, incompatibility, frequency and satisfaction.
- 8. Specify tips to discuss hormone treatments and surgical procedures.
- 9. Demonstrate specialized treatment programs for the straight spouses.

Objectives

- 10. Develop different ways the LGBTQ spouse can integrate their identity into their mixed orientation relationships.
- 11. Identify when a client has internalized homophobia and/or gay shame.
- 12. Recognize developmental insults and wounding from growing up LGBT.

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