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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*.



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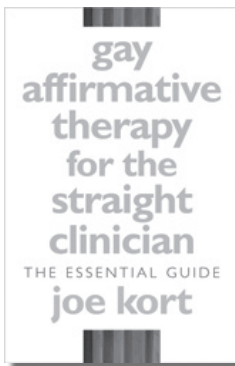
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By Joe Kort, Ph.D., LMSW

Your presenter!

All the answers straight clinicians need to work effectively with gay and lesbian clients. It has been over three decades since the American Psychiatric Association removed homosexuality as a category of deviant behavior from the DSM. Same-sex marriage is recognized in certain states, gay-straight alliances are springing up in high schools across the country, and major religious denominations are embracing gay clergy. Yet despite the sea change of attitudes toward homosexuality, many well-meaning straight therapists are still at a loss as to how to effectively counsel their gay and lesbian clients. This book will offer straight therapists the tools they need to counsel gay and lesbian clients effectively.

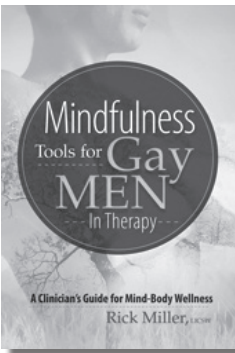


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Clinical Strategies for Sexual Issues in Therapy

By Barry McCarthy, Ph.D., ABPP

A comprehensive guide to healing sexual issues and dysfunction, with dozens of strategies, techniques and methods to promote healthy sexuality for couples and individuals. Including - tools for couples to maintain strong, resilient sexual desire, strategies to move past affairs, sexual trauma, variant arousal, and psychobiosocial model for assessment, treatment, and relapse prevention.

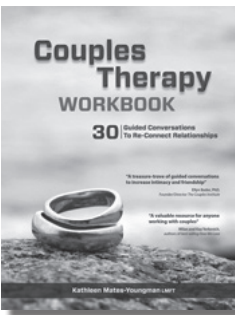


Mindfulness Tools for Gay Men In Therapy:

A Clinician's Guide for Mind-Body Wellness

By Rick Miller, LICSW

Mindfulness Tools for Gay Men in Therapy is designed to free your clients from shame, find safety, peace, and be truly himself. International trainer, author and gay male psychotherapist, Rick Miller, LICSW, utilizes over 30 years of personal and clinical experience to deliver an interactive book that successfully integrates mindfulness, meditation and self-exploration to accelerate the power of therapy.



Couples Therapy Workbook:

30 Guided Conversations to Re-Connect Relationships

By Kathleen Mates-Youngman, MA, LMFT

A series of scripted questions to promote meaningful couple conversations and build ongoing, connect communication. 30 guided conversations of the most critical relationship struggles. For each of the 30 topics, there is an introduction, goal-setting strategies and 10 scripted questions to ask each other - all presented in an easy-to-use mindful style.

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Are you making the biggest mistake treating your LGBTQ clients? Are you pushing them to “come out”? And if you are...you could be traumatizing your clients.

Like you, I made the same mistake early in my career of forcing my clients to name and claim their sexual identity.

Like you, I didn’t know how to ask them about their sexual practices. And when I tried, I offended them.

Come to my workshop and I will equip you with the right tools and up-to-date information you need in this **rapidly changing population** to more effectively counsel your lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning clients, and couples.

You will learn specific strategies to better 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.

Don’t be the straight therapist that is losing LGBTQ clients because of poor intake, assessment and treatment planning. Learn how to offer your clients a safe place for therapy.

I look forward to meeting you at my workshop!

Joe Kort, Ph.D., LMSW

Don't miss this valuable opportunity to learn from a leading expert in the field!

“Brilliant presenter, could have kept listening for days!”

Tamara – Counselor

“Joe was an excellent presenter! He knew his subject, used humor well, and was available to answer any questions – thanks!”

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“I feel that I gained a lot of good info for my clients”

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“Best program I have been to!”

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Outline

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

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

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

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

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Objectives

1. Assess psychological trauma of growing up gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and questioning.
2. Determine the specific and most common stages of coming out to accurately assist your client.
3. Verify common misdiagnosed mental health disorders and assessments.
4. Use specific interventions and assessment tools for LGBTQ clients and gay affirmative therapy.
5. Devise which interventions will work when working with different generations.
6. Determine contemporary perspectives of Lesbian and Gay couples.
7. Formulate strategies for LGB couples on compatibility, incompatibility, frequency and satisfaction.



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

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

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

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