# Speaker

John Lothes, M.A., LPA, LCAS-A, is a licensed psychological associate in Wilmington, North Carolina. As a clinician, John was hired by Delta Behavioral Health in 2008 to help start up and run their Dialectical Behavioral Therapy based partial hospital program and a DBT-based substance abuse intensive outpatient program (SAIOP). Since 2008, John has provided supervision to interns that have been trained in the partial hospital program and the SAIOP, teaching them how to apply DBT skills to their therapy. John also incorporates DBT into his individual practice working with a number of disorders. John was introduced to DBT during his internship at the New Hanover County Behavioral Health Hospital, an inpatient facility where he eventually led DBT groups in both their inpatient partial hospital program and substance abuse program. While on internship, in August of 2004, John spent a week training on DBT with Dr. Linehan at the New England Education Institute in Cape Cod, MA.

John is a part-time faculty member at University of North Carolina Wilmington in the Department of Psychology and the Department of Health and Applied Human Sciences. He has published research on mindfulness and the cultivation of mindfulness in individuals. He continues to research mindfulness and is conducting research on DBT and the reduction of perceived suffering in partial hospital patients. John is also an Ed.D. candidate at the University of North Carolina Wilmington.

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# **Course Highlights**

- Use DBT flexibly, creatively and effectively for a variety of clients
- Build a foundation of DBT competency
- Integrate DBT skills into individual and group therapy
- Use case examples as a guide for effective application of skills in clinical situations
- Learn DBT "inside-out" from theory to application
- Practice streamlined diary cards and chain analysis protocols

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8:00 Program begins

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4:00 Program ends

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Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) is an empirically validated approach for working with mental health, chemical dependency, and complex co-morbidity. Designed to empower clients to establish mindfulness, distress tolerance, emotional regulation, and interpersonal effectiveness, DBT assists clinicians in treating clients with emotional problems, suicidal, self-harm, and self-sabotaging urges and behaviors, and challenging interpersonal styles.

Attend this 2-day certificate course and receive a detailed understanding and foundation of the skills of Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) as

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Guided by the latest research and policy in evidence-based practices, this course teaches the clinical process and content of DBT from theory to practice. Going beyond prescriptive applications, this course shows you how to use essentials such as validation, dialectical strategies, communication styles, and the best ways of changing behaviors in order to effectively balance acceptance and change with your clients. Complete with education on user-friendly diary cards and chain analysis protocols, you will leave this conference with increased DBT competency as well as many new tools including client worksheets to bring to your clinical practice.

# **Objectives**

- 1. Integrate the theory and techniques of DBT into your clinical practice.
- 2. Teach DBT skills in the areas of Mindfulness, Distress Tolerance, Emotional Regulation and Interpersonal
- 3. Incorporate how to integrate DBT skills for individual and group therapy treatment.
- 4. Utilize DBT skills for treating mental health symptoms, chemical dependency and complex
- 5. Designate additional tools and resources for implementing DBT in a clinical setting.
- 6. Articulate a variety of strategies for teaching DBT skills to clients.
- 7. Recommend how to seamlessly integrate DBT skills into individual therapy.
- 8. Discriminate the DBT model from cognitive-behavioral, client-centered, and other treatment modalities.
- 9. Practice a multi-layered approach to validation of clients' thoughts and
- 10. Employ DBT diary cards and chain (change) analysis in clinical practice.
- 11. Propose how to operate with consultative groups and treatment teams.
- 12. Assess and manage self-injurious and suicidal behaviors with clear protocols and safety plans.

# **Outline**

# **History & Philosophy of DBT**

Dialectics explained Core philosophies in practice Skills training techniques

#### Mindfulness Skills

Grounded in the present while being connected to past & future Using core skills to achieve "Wise Mind" Learn classic and innovative mindfulness

Mindfulness exercises

#### **Distress Tolerance Skills**

Building frustration tolerance Utilizing crisis survival strategies and plans

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**Distress Tolerance exercises** 

# **Emotional Regulation Skills**

Understanding emotions and reducing vulnerability

Incorporating self-care, opposite action and building positive experience

Learn classic and innovative emotional

regulation skills **Emotional regulation exercises** 

# **Interpersonal Effectiveness**

Balance in relationships

Skills

Objective, relationship and self-respect effectiveness

Learn classic and innovative interpersonal effectiveness skills

Interpersonal effectiveness exercises

#### **DBT in Practice**

Understanding how therapy works: The Contextual Model

Evidence-based practice Maximizing therapeutic factors, DBT-style Essential elements and functions of DBT revisited

#### Structure Therapy

Structure as a therapeutic factor Structuring the therapy environment Identifying treatment targets: suicidality self-injurious behavior (SIB), therapy-interfering behavior (TIB), and other targets

#### **Validation**

Levels of validation Validation as an informal exposure technique

# **Best Methods of Changing Behaviors**

Self-monitoring with the diary card Behavioral contingencies DBT-style cognitive interventions Behavior Chain (Change) Analysis

# **Communication Styles: Reciprocal and Irreverent Consultation Group**

Increase your motivation Develop effective responses Qualities of effective treatment teams

Next Steps: Develop Your **Proficiency in DBT** 

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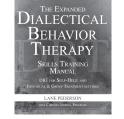
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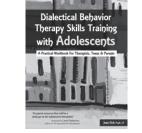


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