Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) Certificate Course: 2-Day Intensive Training

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.

Certificate of completion will be awarded at the end of the course

This course counts towards educational requirement when applying for Certification in Dialectical Behavior Therapy through Evergreen Certification Institute (EVGCI)

Attend this 2-day certificate course and receive a detailed understanding and foundation of the skills of Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) as applied to clients with mental health and chemical dependency issues. Going beyond symptom management, these skills are designed to improve functioning to build satisfying lives.

This course explores DBT's theoretical basis, specific DBT interventions, and how to teach skills in individual and group settings. Familiarity with these skills and techniques along with experiential exercises will enhance your clinical skills and professional development.

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 seminar with increased DBT competency as well as many new tools including client worksheets to bring to your clinical practice.

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 diary cards and chain analysis protocols

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 Effectiveness.
- 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 co-morbidity.
- 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 feelings.
- 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.

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- Make this complex model work for a variety of clients
- Integrate DBT skills into individual and group therapy
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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 skills Mindfulness exercises

Distress Tolerance Skills

Building frustration tolerance Utilizing crisis survival strategies and

Learn classic and innovative Distress Tolerance skills

Distress Tolerance exercises

Emotional Regulation Skills

Understanding emotions and reducing vulnerability Incorporating self-care, opposite action and building positive experience

Learn classic and innovative emotiona regulation skills

Emotional regulation exercises

Interpersonal Effectiveness Skills

Balance in relationships 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

Conference Schedule Both Days 7:30 Registration/Morning Coffee & Tea

8:00 **Program begins 11:50-1:00** Lunch (on your own) Program ends

There will be two 15-min breaks (mid-morning & mid-afternoon) Actual lunch and break start times are at the discretion of the speaker. A more detailed schedule is available upon request

Speaker

Steve Girardeau, Psv.D., is the director of clinical services for Mental Health Systems (MHS), one of the largest DBT-specialized practices in the Midwest. He has overseen the care of thousands of clients including clients with co-morbid major mental health and personality disorders. Dr. Girardeau has worked in non-profit community mental health clinics, in private practice and in multi-clinic settings He has been a therapist for over two decades, specializing in providing clinical services to clients with serious and persistent mental health diagnoses as well as personality and chemical use disorders. Dr. Girardeau served as the president of the Minnesota Psychological Association in 2017 and is active in that organization's executive committee, governing council, and legislative and payer committees. He is also a member of a number of advocacy and policy committees and advisory groups in Minnesota. Dr. Girardeau is also politically active in the service of psychology and the needs of clients as the head of the MPA PAC, a political action committee for the state of Minnesota.

Dr. Girardeau has worked as a clinician, clinical director, training director, program supervisor and a clinical team consultant. He has provided trainings at regional conferences, local seminars and created training programs in the areas of DBT, abuse, crisis management and safety planning, clinical work with clients with personality disorders, and treatment of clients with dual disorders. He has helped develop and implement new programming for many of the above populations.

Financial: Steven Girardeau is the Director of Clinical Services of Mental Health Systems, PC. He receives a speaking honorarium from PESI, Inc.

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