

# Outline

## Clinician-Client Relationship

- Law vs. ethics
- Elements of legal informed consent
- Nuts and bolts of office policies
  - Records vs. psychotherapy notes
  - What to put in a record
- Limitations on confidentiality
  - Washington case law & danger to others
  - Washington duty to warn potential victims
  - HIPAA
  - The latest updates you need to know

## Practical Approach to Risk Management

- Elements of consent
- Competence & scope of practice
- Boundary violations/crossings
- Issues with modern technology
  - Texting, cell phones, e-mail, video psychotherapy
- Perils of supervision

## Litigation

- Licensing complaints & malpractice lawsuits
  - Washington-specific statutes
  - Washington rules and regulations
  - Case law and how to find it

## Navigate the Legal System

- Roles of attorneys
- Confidentiality/privilege
- Subpoena & disclosure of confidential information
- Depositions, interrogatories, expert testimony

## Treatment of Minors

- Washington age of majority
- Consent to treatment
- Privilege/confidentiality
- Separation & divorce

## Case Studies

### Live Seminar & Webcast Schedule

(Times listed in Pacific)

- 7:30** Registration/Morning Coffee & Tea
- 8:00** Program begins
- 11:50-1:00** Lunch (*on your own*)
- 4:00** 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.

# Objectives

- Describe how to avoid litigation dilemmas, licensing complaints and malpractice actions.
- Analyze the legal and ethical considerations for the treatment of minor populations in Washington with regard to age of consent, confidentiality and custody concerns.
- Explain how an understanding of common boundary and dual relationship issues/dilemmas can help you maintain appropriate relationships with your clients.
- Identify the ethical challenges you should consider when responding to subpoenas that request disclosure of client records.
- Discuss the limits of confidentiality as it relates to duty to warn law in Washington.
- Demonstrate how risk management strategies regarding technology can keep client information secure and avoid violating HIPAA.

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