# Outline

# **Origin and Research**

The origin of EFT

The different nomenclature of EFT:

- o Energy Psychology
- o Thought Field Therapy o Tapping Solution
- o Meridian Therapies

Highlight significant cortisol reduction in peerreviewed, published research

The EFT steps of activating acupoints in conjunction with descriptions of upsets The profound relaxation response from EFT EFT includes cognitive interventions Going beyond talk therapy: Relaxation of activating meridian

# **EFT to Eliminate Phobias**

Two categories of phobias: Instinct driven or driven from a past negative event Demonstration of finding and treating with EFT the "first or the worst" time

Live example from the audience, case studies The "borrowing benefits" for all to participate

# EFT for Pain Reduction

Self-applied acupoints: A sister to acupuncture Adding metaphors and emotions A mobile tool

# Using EFT for Stress, Generalized **Anxiety and Panic**

Personal peace procedure Checking work and the value of persistence

Considerations for treating issues thoroughly in the past, present and future Quieting the physiological arousal of panic

# **EFT treatment for Compulsions and**

# Unwanted Habits

Finding a baseline

Treat the "urge" or "desire" to perform the unwanted behavior

Greatly diminish hand washing, checking, biting nails or thumb sucking

Check your work via the SUDS intensity measure Future performance enhancement protocol to reinforce gains for the future

# **EFT with Social Anxiety and Building** a Social Skill Set

Social Anxiety: Fear of being scrutinized by others

EFT on social situations: Past, present and future Establish layers of communication including ice breaker/small talk

# EFT with Acute and Long-Standing Trauma

EFT movie on Veterans 4 Vignettes of War Mind-body sweep: Gentle EFT approach via the associated physical discomfort

# Live Seminar Schedule

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**

- 1) Explain the origin and efficacy of the Emotional Freedom Techniques (EFT) including peer reviewed, published research.
- 2) Implement self-applied, light touch or tapping on acupoints to calm and rebalance the body system while thinking about disturbing upsets to create a desensitized state as measured by continuous dropping of the SUDS level.
- 3) Distinguish that EFT is a mind-body treatment that desensitizes unwanted thoughts, emotions and physical discomfort.
- 4) List exploratory questions to elicit the first or worst defining event and how to treat it in all manifestations in the past, present and future.
- 5) Demonstrate EFT techniques for stress, phobias, generalized anxiety disorder, panic and traumatic events.
- 6) Describe how EFT can greatly diminish frustrating OCD compulsions and unwanted habits.
- 7) Utilize a two-prong approach to treating social anxiety: EFT and social skill building.
- 8) Describe why EFT works in conjunction with and beyond talk therapy and how it often cuts quickly through resistant problems.
- 9) Explore working with pain reduction using acupoints and psychological constructs of metaphors and emotions.
- 10) State the ethical concerns of not working outside knowledge base and obtaining ongoing "permission" to use these methods.





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Evidence-Based, Mind-Body Treatment Approach to the Anxiety Spectrum Disorders and Pain

- Apply EFT (aka Tapping) to help improve treatment outcomes in phobias, generalized anxiety, social anxiety, panic, OCD, acute stress reaction and traumatic events
- Go beyond talk therapy capacity to guickly resolve treatment-resistant issues
- Drop emotional burdens guickly
- Walk away ready to use calming EFT to gently address recent and long-standing clinical issues

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# What do you do with anxiety and trauma clients who do not improve?

The anxiety spectrum exemplifies the disorders where emotions override thought. Fragmented memories get stored in the body. The Emotional Freedom Techniques (EFT) collapse this uncomfortable emotional and physical reactivity, therefore freeing a path for spontaneous insights and clearer thinking.

Emotional Freedom Technique (EFT) is a comprehensive mind-body treatment that desensitizes three areas: unwanted thoughts, emotions and physical reactions. EFT combines physical interventions derived from restorative (self-applied) acupressure theory with cognitive interventions.

EFT is an evidence-based practice with over 100 published studies. One published study demonstrated a 24% decrease in cortisol (stress hormone) level in the EFT group (Energypsych.org). EFT is an effective brief therapy and belongs in every therapist's tool box.

### Transform your clinical excellence; bring EFT into your practice and treat resistant problems that other methods failed.

This seminar focuses on cutting-edge techniques of EFT to treat the anxiety spectrum disorders including:

Phobias

- Panic
- Social Anxiety Disorder

Generalized Anxiety

- OCD
- Acute Traumatic Stress Reactions

These mind-body methods are emerging into mainstream mental health, trauma treatment, coaching, employee assistance programs and sport psychology arenas as rapid, effective, non-invasive, calming, desensitizing tools. Do not miss this opportunity to learn evidence-based techniques you can use immediately with your clients and improve treatment outcomes.

# Robin Bilazarian, LCSW, DCSW, DCEP

With passion and humor, brief therapy expert, author and lecturer Robin Bilazarian, LCSW, DCSW, DCEP (Diplomate in Energy Psychology) and International Certified Master EFT Trainer shares a wealth of knowledge and her 20-year experience integrating EFT into mainstream mental health treatment. EFT is a comprehensive mind-body treatment that rapidly desensitizes unwanted thoughts, emotions and connected physical reactions. EFT goes beyond supportive counseling and is actual treatment, where clients are usually better in one session - even if the issue is long standing. Her book on this topic is Tapping the Mighty Mind - Simple Solutions for Stress, Conflict, and Pain. Her passion is to bring these rapid, thorough and gentle meridian and cognitive based techniques into mainstream clinical mental health treatment. EFT is surprising in how quickly turmoil dissipates. She obtained her MSW degree from the University of Pennsylvania and the University of North Carolina/Chapel Hill and interned at Duke Medical Outpatient Psychiatry. Her 30 plus years of clinical practice includes employment in all levels of mental health treatment, including using EFT in a community mental health center and now, with medical staff. She was recruited to bring these highly effective, short-term techniques to medical staff and medical students in a regional trauma hospital where she runs numerous internal and external EFT workshops, including psychiatric rounds and community conferences. She also has a private practice for the past 30 years. She speaks nationally and internationally on this topic and presents frequently for NASW and Rutgers University. She is a sought after expert in working with anxiety spectrum disorders.

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