Outline

Internal Family Systems (IFS)

A comprehensive, integrative, non-pathologizing paradigm Evolution of the model by Richard Schwartz, PhD

Understand the inner world of clients, Self and Parts

Apply inner resources and self-compassion for healing

Burdens, unburden, shift negative beliefs Study limitations: small sample size, no control group Clinical considerations for clients

experiencing abuse

IFS STEP-BY-STEP, CONCEPTS AND TECHNIQUES Step 1: Identify the Diagnoses &

Symptoms

Clinical assessment of target problem Map the system Identify target part Separate the person from the symptom Apply meditation skills Address fear/concerns Become curious Find the real story behind the symptom

Step 2: Gain Access to Internal

Strengths & Resources for Healing Increase understanding and acceptance Move from defensiveness to curiosity Access compassion to open the pathways toward healing Foster "internal attachment" work

Step 3: Heal the Traumatic Wound

Allow compassion to flow Witness the pain vs re-enactment or re-traumatization Release and unburden Integration

IFS in Action

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- 1. Investigate Internal Family Systems (IFS) concepts, steps and techniques to broaden treatment intervention options.
- 2. Discover how IFS brings a non-pathological perspective of mental health disorders by translating common comorbidities into parts language.
- 3. Examine the IFS view that client's symptoms and psychopathology are attempts to solve an emotional problem.
- 4. View a clinical session to deepen one's understanding of IFS treatment strategies.
- 5. Practice clinical interventions to enhance effectiveness in sessions.
- 6. Consider the benefits of applying IFS to one's current clinical practice.

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4:00 Program ends

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Internal Family Systems offers unique, clarifying, and empowering methods for addressing these common clinical concerns. Some models of psychotherapy regard having multiple internal "parts" as pathological. NOT in IFS. IFS views the multiplicity of the mind as normal. Every part has a positive intention and every part has value. All clients can heal. IFS aligns the therapist with the innate wisdom of the client. IFS cultivates compassion.

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Speaker

Leslie Petruk, MA, LPC-S, NCC, BCC, is a Licensed Professional Counselor with over 20 years of experience with individuals and families. Leslie is the director at The Stone Center for

Counseling & Leadership in Charlotte, NC and a clinical supervisor.

She is a certified IFS therapist and in the process of becoming an IFS assistant trainer. As a program assistant for the Center for Self Leadership (CSL), the IFS organization founded by IFS creator Richard Schwartz, PhD, Leslie has helped assist IFS workshops across the United States. She maintains a long affiliation with CSL and their passion to educate mental health professionals worldwide. Her clinical experience using IFS includes working with children. individuals, couples and families. She specializes in the application of IFS to parenting and working with children.

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