# **Outline**

#### **Guilt, Shame and Common Client** Misconceptions

The nature of abuse specific to your client Common misconceptions of guilt Life experiences that manifest as guilt

- The caretaker as perpetrator
- Attachment and abuse
- "Participation" guilt in sexual trauma

Case study: when Susan believed the abuse was her fault

### **Psychoeducation: Navigating Guilt**

Assess and identify the presence of guilt and shame

The meaning and function of both guilt and shame as adaptive for survival

Finding ways to make guilt productive and reparative

Self-destructive coping behaviors

From paralyzed to taking extraordinary action

Reframe symptoms

Cognitive reframing & behavioral strategies Case study: Janet and survivor guilt

#### Shame: The Root of Who I Am

The mistake of using guilt and shame interchangeably: for clinician and client

Pervasive and debilitating: intractability of shame emotions

When your client presents as "hopeless" The trauma survivors' DSM: dirty, crazy

weird, abnormal

Case study: Alex's inner critic and its impact on self-worth

**Treatment Planning: Techniques from** Internal Family Systems (Schwartz)

Working with parts, the language and clinical benefit

The Inner Critic: the protector part for future survival

Exploring the secondary gain of shame and why letting go is complicated

#### **Cognitive and Emotional Antidotes to** Shame in the Clinical Setting

Leading the client to curiosity Working with attachment and familial loyalty

Self-compassion: transformational skills that evoke empathy

The impact of self-talk

Writing experiential: the crossroad of a thought

#### **Integrating Creative Modalities to Process Guilt & Shame**

Using art therapeutically – processing clients' artwork

**Experiential: Body Mapping** 

Accessing somatic resources that help reduce guilt and shame

Experiential: Two-handed writing to increase compassion between parts Exploring spirituality and religious observance

Live Seminar & Webcast Schedule (Times listed in Eastern

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. Describe the differences between guilt and shame and why shame impedes healing in trauma therapy work.
- 2. Identify at least three specific dynamics of trauma and early childhood coping strategies that promote and sustain shame.
- 3. Identify four indirect benefits that clients receive from retaining their guilt and shame emotions
- 4. Explain the role of the Inner Critic and Internal Family Systems as a therapy model that promotes shame reduction.
- 5. Describe the role that attunement and the therapeutic relationship play in helping clients process shame.
- 6. Implement at least two creative strategies to enhance client curiosity and selfcompassion in therapy.
- 7. Design a treatment plan that incorporates three creative strategies that promote shame healing that helps to move trauma therapy forward.

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 Processing guilt that comes from witnessing trauma • Moving the client beyond a sense of "participation" guilt The shame paradox and the biological need for attachment - despite abuse • Working with the "Inner Critic" to find reparative aspects of guilt & shame Interweave shame processing within your modality of trauma treatment

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- Linda Curran, LPC, author of best-selling workbook 100 Trauma-Informed Interventions (2013)

## **Speaker**



Lisa Ferentz, LCSW-C, DAPA, is a recognized expert in the strengthsbased, de-pathologized treatment of trauma and has been in private practice for over 35 years. She presents workshops and keynote addresses nationally and internationally, and is a clinical consultant to practitioners and mental health agencies in the United States, Canada, the UK and Ireland.

She has been an adjunct faculty member at several universities, and is the founder of "The Ferentz Institute," now in its 12th year of providing

continuing education to mental health professionals and graduating over 1,600 clinicians from her two certificate programs in Advanced Trauma Treatment.

In 2009 she was voted the "Social Worker of Year" by the Maryland Society for Clinical Social Work. Lisa is the author of Treating Self-Destructive Behaviors in Trauma Survivors: A Clinician's Guide, 2nd Edition (Routledge, 2014), Letting Go of Self-Destructive Behaviors: A Workbook of Hope and Healing (Routledge, 2014), and Finding Your Ruby Slippers: Transformative Life Lessons from the Therapist's Couch (PESI 2017). Lisa also hosted a weekly radio talk show, writes blogs and articles for websites on self-harm and self-care, and teaches on many webinars.

#### Speaker Disclosures

Financial: Lisa Ferentz is in private practice. She receives a speaking honorarium from PESI, Inc.

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