## OUTLINE

Suicide: Who, When, How and Where

- Addiction recovery Trauma-informed care
- Populations with multiple risk factors

Suicide attempt survivors – learning from their experience

Upstream clinical practices: reaching people before the point of crisis

**Elicit Key Information from Suicidal Clients: Assessment and Level of Risk** Implicit and explicit expressions of suicidal thoughts Communicating caring: Language to impart compassion and avoid stigma

Suicide risk assessment

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Ideation, plan, means, intent Level of risk

Formulate Treatment Plans that Help **Clients Regulate Emotions and Make** Them Feel Valued and Connected

Collaborative safety planning (or "Why Suicide Contracting is Dead")

Proactive approaches to decrease the likelihood of suicidal despair

Multi-system approaches – support systems Evidence-based treatments:

Cognitive Behavioral Therapy Cognitive restructuring strategies Emotional regulation exercises **Behavioral Activation** 

**Dialectical Behavior Therapy** How to organize a skills training group Tips for phone coaching

**OBJECTIVES** 

- 1. Assess individuals at risk of suicide with a clinical approach that identifies both explicit and implicit expressions of suicidal thought.
- 2. Determine key indicators of imminent suicide and develop a strategy for determining when and how to hospitalize clients.
- 3. Formulate a CBT and DBT oriented case conceptualization that addresses how to effectively work with specific populations including veterans and the elderly.
- 4. Employ a collaborative safety approach to help clients survive a suicidal crisis while avoiding the pitfalls of suicide contracting and the false sense of security and decreased clinical vigilance that can accompany their use.
- 5. Develop communication strategies that convey your compassion and support and strengthen the therapeutic alliance.
- 6. Design a multi-systemic approach that reduces access to lethal means and incorporates the suicidal person's social connections into their safety plan.

Relapse prevention plans Documentation Reduce access to lethal means Working with specific populations: veterans, the elderly

**Confidently Handle Crisis Situations** Conduct a behavioral chain analysis Validating reasons for suicide Identify reasons for living Use distress tolerance and CBT skills to manage a crisis

When and how to hospitalize

**Suicide Grief Support and** Innovative Suicide-Specific Care Implement Suicide Grief Support

Understand the unique nature of suicide grief Peer-based support: Connect clients to other survivors of loss

Other innovative suicide-specific care Collaborative online tools and applications

Clinicians with lived experience Post-traumatic growth and suicide

Live Seminar & Webcast Schedule

7:30 Registration/Morning Coffee & Tea

There will be two 15-min breaks (mid-morning & mid-afternoon)

Actual lunch and break start times are at the discretion of the speaker.

**11:50-1:00** Lunch (on your own)

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8:00 Program begins

**4:00** Program ends

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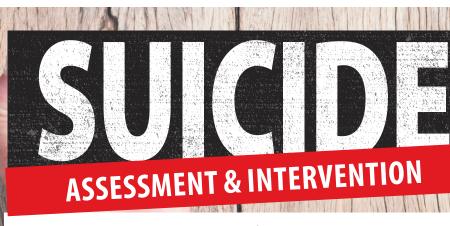
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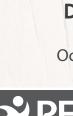
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• Get confident! Transform how you view and work with suicidal clients

Methods to assess suicidal ideation

 Determine level of risk and know what to do when suicide is imminent

CBT, DBT and other evidence-based treatments



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### Losing a client to suicide is your worst

**nightmare.** And there inevitably comes a time when the suicidal client is more than just an intangible dread. When an actual person, suffering and sitting in your office, reveals they are having suicidal thoughts. Many clinicians are left feeling unprepared, frightened, and unsure what to do next. The weight of keeping someone alive can steer you in the

direction of avoidance. Desperate and alone, suicidal clients can find themselves passed from one therapist to the next. And that's not care.

Don't let fear push you away.

#### This seminar will transform how you view and work with suicidal clients and give you the clinical tools you need to save lives.

Full of thought provoking lecture, engaging case studies, and guided instruction on a host of powerful clinical applications, this seminar will provide you with the tools you need to:

- Assess for suicidal risk and identify implicit and explicit expressions of suicidal thought.
- · Formulate a game-plan for crises when suicide is imminent.
- · Intervene in suicidal despair with proactive approaches derived from the evidencebased efficacy of CBT and DBT.
- Effectively use targeted language with suicidal clients that will help you avoid stigma and successfully communicate your compassion.
- Provide innovative grief support resources that connect clients and clinicians with other survivors of suicide and suicide loss.

Leave this seminar feeling confident and capable to work with suicidal clients and guide them out of the darkness and back into the light!

#### **Target Audience:**

Social Workers • Psychologists • Psychiatrists • Counselors • Marriage and Family Therapists Case Managers • Addiction Counselors • Therapists • Nurses Other Mental Health Professionals • School-Based Counselors • School-Based Psychologists School-Based Social Workers • School Administrators



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## MEET YOUR SPEAKER

Sally Spencer-Thomas, Psy.D., is a clinical psychologist and inspirational international speaker. Dr. Spencer-Thomas was moved to work in suicide prevention after her younger brother, a Denver entrepreneur, died of suicide after a difficult battle with bipolar condition.

Dr. Spencer-Thomas has been an invited speaker at the White House on the topics of mental health and suicide prevention and has held leadership positions for the National Action Alliance for Suicide Prevention, the International Association for Suicide Prevention, the American Association for Suicidology, and the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. She has won multiple awards for her leadership including the 2014 Survivor of the Year from the American Association of Suicidology, the 2014 Invisible Disabilities Association Impact Honors Award, the 2012 Alumni Master Scholar from the University of Denver, the 2015 Farbarow Award from the International Association for Suicide Prevention and the 2016 Career Achievement Alumni Award from the University of Denver's Graduate School of Professional Psychology.

She has a Doctorate in clinical psychology from the University of Denver, a Masters in non-profit management from Regis University, and a Bachelors in psychology and studio art with a minor in economics from Bowdoin College. She has written four books on mental health and violence prevention.

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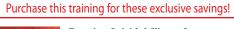
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