# **Outline**

### Session 1 - Assessment

Use of validated scales and clinical interview to assess racial stress and trauma. Will also cover research limitations and treatment risks.

# Session 2 – Making Sense of Racism

Use psychoeducation about racism and resulting harms to reduce shame by helping clients understand racism is not their fault.

### Session 3 – Coping & Self-Care

Assess clients' coping and self-care strategies so you can increase functional strategies and decrease dysfunctional ones.

### Session 4 – Cultivating a Support Network

Identify existing social supports and find ways to create more to reduce clients' stress and provide resources for when racial stress occurs.

### Session 5 – Dismantling Internalized Racism

Use cognitive defusion and restructuring, along with cultural exploration and appreciation to reduce shame in clients and increase their feelings of belongingness.

# Session 6 – Understanding Race and Whiteness

Provide psychoeducation about race, including the invisibility of Whiteness, to increase clients' feelings of control by better predicting racism in the environment.

# Session 7 – Exposure and Processing Experiences of Racism

Use Socratic questioning, writing, artistic expression to change clients' thinking about distressing events and reduce distress, shame and guilt

# Session 8 – Strategies to Combat Racism

Use journaling, review of possible responses, and role playing to build clients' skills in responding to racism in various situations and increasing their confidence to act.

# Session 9 – Practicing Combatting Racism in Everyday Life

Use graduated exposure and show clients how to respond to racism in daily life, make predictions and process outcomes to increase their feelings of agency toward racism and reduce their feelings of helplessness and victimization.

# Session 10 – Posttraumatic Growth and Meaning Making

Consolidate events into a cohesive and meaningful narrative with clients

# Session 11 – Social Action, Activism, and Healing Outside Therapy

Help clients evaluate their values, manage exposure to challenging situations, and attempt to reach racial justice goals so they can continue ongoing meaning-making of prior trauma, promote change in their environment, and feel agentic.

### Session 12 – Moving On

Synthesize course of treatment and mastery of techniques for purposes of relapse prevention.

# Live Webinar Schedule (Times listed in Pacific)

8:00 Program begins

**11:50-1:00** Lunch Break

**4:00** Program ends

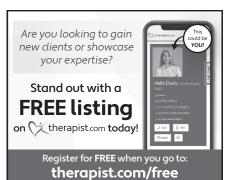
There will be two 15-min breaks (mid-morning & mid-afternoon).

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

A more detailed schedule is available upon request.

# **Objectives**

- 1. Assess for racial stress and trauma using validated scales and clinical interviews.
- 2. Utilize psychoeducation about racism to reduce shame by helping clients understand racism is not their fault.
- 3. Create a support network with clients to help them reduce stress and provide resources for them when racial stress occurs.
- 4. Use cultural exploration and appreciation strategies to reduce shame in clients and increase their feelings of belongingness.
- 5. Employ role play with clients to build their skills in responding to racism in various situations and increasing their confidence to act.
- 6. Use graduated exposure to increase clients' feelings of agency toward racism and reduce their feelings of helplessness and victimization.



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**Dr. Monnica T. Williams, PhD,** is a board-certified licensed clinical psychologist who was named one of the top 25 thought leaders in PTSD by PTSD Journal. Her work has been featured in several major media outlets, including NPR, Huffington Post, CNN, and the New York Times.

Dr. Williams is the author of *Eliminating Race-Based Mental Health Disparities: Promoting Equity and Culturally Responsive Care Across Settings* (Context Press, 2019) and has published over 100 book chapters and peer-reviewed articles focused on trauma and other anxiety-related disorders and cultural differences. She is an associate editor of the Behavior Therapist and New Ideas in Psychology and serves on the editorial board of several scientific journals.

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Financial: Dr. Monnica Williams has employment relationships with the University of Ottawa. the University of Massachusetts, and Behavioral Wellness Clinic, LLC. She receives compensation as a consultant and royalties as a published author. Dr. Williams receives a speaking honorarium and recording royalties from PESI, Inc. She has no relevant financial relationships with ineligible organizations.

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**Chad Wetterneck, PhD,** is a licensed clinical psychologist who serves as the clinical director of Trauma Recovery services at Rogers Behavioral Health, where he developed the adult trauma recovery programs at the residential, partial hospital, and intensive outpatient levels of care. Dr. Wetterneck holds adjunct faculty appointments at Marquette University and the University of Wisconsin—Milwaukee. He has published over 85 peer-reviewed articles, has co-authored a book, and has been grant-funded for studies on treatment outcome. Dr. Wetterneck is vice-chair of the Diversity Special Interest Group of the International OCD Foundation and a member of the American Psychological Association, the Anxiety and Depression Association of America, the Association of Contextual Behavioral Science, and the International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies.

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