### Outline

#### **Assessment of Grieving Clients:**

#### Uncover Grief Intensity, Depression, Substance Use and Suicidal Ideation

Grief intensity scale

Hogan grief reaction checklist

Assessment to uncover trauma, depression,

substance use and anxiety

QPR and S-SSRS to assess for suicidal ideation or substance use

Isolation, sleep and nutrition concerns for grieving

#### **Assessment and Treatment of Persistent Complex Bereavement Disorder**

How to diagnose using the DSM-5 Assessment resources

Complicated Grief Treatment Model Meaning Reconstruction

#### **Grief Therapy and Counseling in Action: Clinical Tools and Treatment Approaches to** Facilitate Healthy Grieving

Grief counseling vs. grief treatment – what's the difference?

CBT techniques for guilt, blame and other maladaptive cognitions following loss

Mindfulness interventions for anticipatory grief and anxiety symptoms

Narrative approaches to process grief by putting words to the pain

Exercises to help clients better face uncertainty Creative tools to support emotional regulation and

Tools to manage regret and facilitate forgiveness and

Alternative ways to honor deceased loved ones and

How to make virtual sessions as effective as in-person

#### Non-Death and Abstract Losses: How to Effectively Work with Clients Who've Experienced "Living Losses"

Abstract losses – how to work with loss of connection, routine, normalcy and identity

Divorce

Substance use

find closure

Natural disasters

Life-limiting and mental Illnesses

Developmental disabilities

Military or incarceration

Symbolic Losses

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11:50-1:00 Lunch Break

#### **4:00** Program ends

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#### DAY 2

#### The Traumatic Grief Treatment Toolkit: **Build Clients' Resiliency and Move Them Toward Post-Traumatic Growth**

Assess for PTSD symptoms

Emotional regulation techniques for clients who've had a traumatic loss

DBT techniques to decrease avoidance and manage suicidal ideation

CBT coping skills for traumatic memories and

Clinical strategies to reduce fear responses

How to work with the unique challenges of suicide

Exercises to help clients overcome guilt and shame Employing a strengths-based approach to build resiliency

#### The Clinician's Guide to Grief and Loss Groups: How to Successfully Structure and Facilitate Grief **Support or Treatment Groups**

Differences between:

Psychoeducational groups or therapeutic process groups

Peer or clinician led groups

Loss-specific or general grief groups

Open and closed groups

Participant screening

Kevs to effective facilitation

Program evaluation

#### Grief Work with Clients of Diverse Race, **Backgrounds, Cultures and Beliefs**

How culture impacts length of mourning and continuing relationships with the deceased Spiritual impacts of grief

How inequalities in race, gender, sexual orientation and age impact support of grief and loss

Personal assessment activity Cultural competence vs. culturally and difference intentioned/aware practice

Cultural & difference-focused engagement ideas and strategies

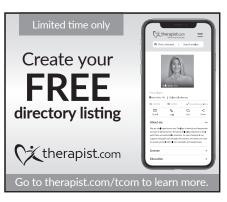
#### **Ethical Considerations in Grief Counseling and Treatment**

Boundaries of professional competence Research and treatment risks

Working with the terminally ill, minors, families and end-of-life decisions

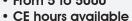
Vicarious trauma, compassion fatigue and self-care

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