

## 21st Annual

## **Community Mental Health Conference**



## **Untying the Human Knot:**

Managing Stress and Anxiety in Today's World

Saturday, June 10, 2023 Evanston Township High School



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The conference sessions, including all relevant continuing education information, are included in this booklet in alphabetical order.

#### CONTINUING EDUCATION INFORMATION

Target Audience: Community members and all mental health professionals.

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Participation Certificate: The Chicago School of Professional Psychology is able to provide students and other participants who simply wish to have documentation of their attendance at the program a participation certificate.

Non Psychologists. Most licensing boards accept Continuing Education Credits sponsored by the American Psychological Association but non-psychologists are recommended to consult with their specific state-licensing board to ensure that APA-sponsored CE is acceptable.

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#### ART AND RENEWAL FOR THE HELPING PRACTITIONER

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Presenter	Maria Egan, Art Therapist, MACAT Rob Lentz, MFA; Executive Director of Open Studio Project Patti Vick, MFA; Lead Adult Trainer at Open Studio Project
Workshop Description	The unique combination of clinical psychological theory and creative artistic practice that exists in art therapy has proven to be helpful in alleviating a variety of challenges experienced throughout life. Calming and mindful aspects of artmaking in a therapeutic environment can ease anxiety, depression, and other common psychological concerns. Art & Renewal is a unique Open Studio Project workshop that is designed to support any helping practitioner whose work is emotionally demanding and prone to burn-out. Participants will develop a sustainable creative practice as a simple and effective way to release stress, restore empathy, and approach greater balance within their personal and professional life. This workshop invites participants to engage the Open Studio Process of intuitive art making and writing within a supportive small group format.
Learning Objectives	<ul> <li>After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to:</li> <li>Practice new artistic skills to express their thoughts and feelings in a safe space, free of judgment.</li> <li>List mindfulness techniques to manage the effects of burnout through art and writing.</li> <li>List the Open Studio Processes of intention writing, art making, and witness writing.</li> </ul>
Program Standards & Goals	This program meets APA's continuing education Standard 1.3: Program content focuses on topics related to psychological practice, education, or research other than application of psychological assessment and/or intervention methods that are supported by contemporary scholarship grounded in established research procedures. This program meets APA's continuing education Goal 1: Program is relevant to psychological practice, education, and/or science.
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#### CONNECTING ESAS TO THE PEOPLE WHO NEED THEM

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Presenter	Daniel Maigler, LCSW; Paws for Patrick
Workshop Description	Attendees to this conversational presentation will learn what an emotional support animal is and how they differ from other helping animals like therapy dogs or service animals. We will share some of the research about the efficacy of emotional support animals and testimonials about how ESAs can help in practice. We will then breakdown the legal requirements that must be met for a person to qualify for an ESA and address misconceptions that are often raised. Finally we will answer questions attendees have about ESAs and how they can be a part of the process of connecting ESAs to the people who need them most.
Learning Objectives	After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to: • Explain the difference between an ESA, therapy dog, and service animal. • Explain why ESAs are effective in helping people with mental health issues. • List the legal requirements to qualify for an ESA or for a clinician to write an ESA letter.
Program Standards & Goals	This program meets APA's continuing education Standard 1.3: Program content focuses on topics related to psychological practice, education, or research other than application of psychological assessment and/or intervention methods that are supported by contemporary scholarship grounded in established research procedures. This program meets APA's continuing education Goal 1: Program is relevant to psychological practice, education, and/or science.
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## ERASING THE DISTANCE

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Presenter	Gabriela Diaz; Program Facilitator at Erasing the Distance
Workshop Description	The goal for this session is to demonstrate the way imagery and metaphor can enhance an individuals' understanding of personal narrative and function as a technique for clinicians to help uncover a deeper insight into the clients' experience. After attending this program, participants will be able to utilize storytelling as an effective tool for reducing stigma around people with mental health conditions, and understand the power of personal stories in promoting empathy.
	Participants will develop skills in crafting, sharing, and receiving personal mental health narratives in a judgment free space. Attendees will learn how to construct and tell their own stories about mental health experiences by exploring different storytelling techniques, such as using metaphor, imagery, and dialogue to create an engaging and relatable narrative. Pairing this with the goal of listening actively, mining for sensory details, without offering constructive feedback will foster connectivity and give attendees a tool they can carry into their own lives.
Learning Objectives	<ul> <li>After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to:</li> <li>Describe how storytelling as an effective tool for reducing stigma around people with mental health conditions.</li> <li>Practice how to construct and tell their own stories about mental health experiences by exploring different storytelling techniques, such as using metaphor, imagery, and dialogue to create an engaging and relatable narrative.</li> </ul>
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References	<ul> <li>Feniger-Schaal, R. (2016). A dramatherapy case study with a young man who has dual diagnosis of intellectual disability and mental health problems. The Arts in Psychotherapy, 50, 40–45. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.aip.2016.05.010</li> <li>Danila, M. I., Melnick,J. A., Mudano, A., Flood,K., Booth, K., Kirklin, K., &amp; Saag,K. C. (2018). A Performing Arts Intervention Improves Cognitive Dysfunction in 50 Hospitalized Older Adults. Innovation in Aging, 2(2), igy013-igy013. https://doi.org/10.1093/geroni/igy013</li> <li>Mondolfi Miguel, M. L., &amp; Pino-Juste, M. (2021). Therapeutic Achievements of a Program Based on Drama Therapy, the Theater of the Oppressed, and Psychodrama With Women Victims of Intimate Partner Violence. Violence Against Women, 27(9), 1273–1296. https://doi.org/10.1177/1077801220920381</li> <li>Garlick, V. (2019). Book review: Dramatherapy [Review of Book review: Dramatherapy]. Journal of Mental Health, 28(2), 222–223.Routledge. https://doi.org/10.1080/09638237.2019.1581358</li> <li>Erbay, L. G., Reyhani, J., Ünal, S., Özcan, C., Özgöçer, T., Uçar, C., &amp; Yıldız, S. (2018). Does Psychodrama Affect Perceived Stress, Anxiety-Depression Scores and Saliva Cortisol in Patients with Depression? Psychiatry Investigation, 15(10), 0–975.https://doi.org/10.30773/pi.2018.08.11.2</li> </ul>

### FINDING HOPE

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Presenter	Mike Bushman; Writer, Speaker, and Trainer
Workshop Description	In Finding Hope, we discuss the elements that contribute to suicide risk, recognizing warning signs of a crisis, responding effectively in crisis periods or moments, safety planning, lethal means safety, the recovery process and the critical importance of self-care for caretaking individuals. The presentation will focus substantially on the recovery process. Recovering from a suicidal crisis or attempt is often a journey, sometimes over months or years. The belief that the individual experiencing suicidal ideation or who has made an attempt in the past will get better is important. Being a supportive presence can go a long way in supporting your loved one's recovery.
Learning Objectives	<ul> <li>After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to:</li> <li>List warning signs of suicide.</li> <li>Describe how to make safer environments and practices through recovery.</li> <li>Describe how to respond effectively to crisis moments.</li> </ul>
Program Standards & Goals	This program meets APA's continuing education Standard 1.3: Program content focuses on topics related to psychological practice, education, or research other than application of psychological assessment and/or intervention methods that are supported by contemporary scholarship grounded in established research procedures. This program meets APA's continuing education Goal 1: Program is relevant to psychological practice, education, and/or science.
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#### FROM PTSD TO PTSR: TRAUMATIC STRESS AND THE PANDEMIC GENERATION

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Presenter	William (Billy) Kaplan, LCSW; Treehouse Health
Workshop Description	The past few years have been packed with intense, worldwide experiences. Even if we just focus on the Pandemic, we can recognize that many of our lives have been profoundly and negatively impacted. The earliest days of the Pandemic felt to many of us like an overwhelming event, which is another way of saying the earliest days felt like a trauma. Some of us have managed it well. Yet, the Pandemic Generation – our children, teens, and young adults – are showing signs that the experience was traumatic. Mental health providers have been inundated with requests for help. While the diagnosis of PTSD has made sense after other traumas, it doesn't seem as accurate in describing the Pandemic Generation's experience because the Pandemic is ongoing. This presentation will propose shifting our thinking of PTSD from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder to Pandemic Traumatic-Stress Response (PTSR). It will offer methods for managing the disorder including an exploration of Brainspotting, a neuro-experiential method developed to treat trauma.
Learning Objectives	<ul> <li>After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to:</li> <li>Explain the difference between PTSD and PTSR.</li> <li>Explain the psychotherapy approach called Brainspotting.</li> </ul>
Program Standards & Goals	This program meets APA's continuing education Standard 1.3: Program content focuses on topics related to psychological practice, education, or research other than application of psychological assessment and/or intervention methods that are supported by contemporary scholarship grounded in established research procedures. This program meets APA's continuing education Goal 1: Program is relevant to psychological practice, education, and/or science.
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#### HOARDING: IMPACT AND INTERVENTIONS

CE/CEUs	When attended in full, this program offers 1.0 CE for Psychologists, 1.0 IL CEU for Counselors and Social Workers, or 1.0 CA BBS CEU for Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists.
Presenter	Barbara Sarasin, MSW, CMC; Senior Care Manager, CJE SeniorLife Audrey Thompson, LMSW; Evanston Parks & Recreation Manager
Workshop Description	In many cases a stressful or traumatic event is associated with the onset of hoarding symptoms. Hoarding is a disorder that may present on its own or as a symptom of another disorder. Two point six percent of individuals over 60 years age may have hoarding symptoms (Dozier, 2016). Hoarding impairs one's daily life. Hoarding Disorder is a DSM-5 diagnosis assigned to individuals who excessively save items and the idea of discarding items causes extreme stress. This presentation will cover the causes and risk factors, symptoms, treatment, four assessment scales as well as case examples for discussion.
Learning Objectives	<ul> <li>After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to:</li> <li>List the DSM-5 criteria for hoarding disorder.</li> <li>List empirically supported interventions for hoarding disorder.</li> </ul>
Program Standards & Goals	This program meets APA's continuing education Standard 1.3: Program content focuses on topics related to psychological practice, education, or research other than application of psychological assessment and/or intervention methods that are supported by contemporary scholarship grounded in established research procedures. This program meets APA's continuing education Goal 1: Program is relevant to psychological practice, education, and/or science.
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#### INTERVENTIONS AND STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS SCHOOL ANXIETY & SCHOOL REFUSAL

CE/CEUs	When attended in full, this program offers 1.0 CE for Psychologists, 1.0 IL CEU for Counselors and Social Workers, 1.0 CA BBS CEU for Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists, 1.0 NASP PDC for School Psychologists, or 1.0 ISBE PDC for Illinois Educators.
Presenter	Addie Van Zwoll, MJ, MSW, LCSW; Senior Program Manager at School-Based Health Alliance
Workshop Description	Have you noticed an increase in anxiety symptoms in your student population? While young people were struggling with anxiety pre-pandemic, many of these symptoms have been exacerbated by the pandemic. Some research suggests that as many as 1 in 5 youth are experiencing clinically elevated anxiety symptoms. It is clear that young people require additional mental health supports in schools. Many students are struggling to come to school and stay in school due to their anxiety and other behavioral health symptoms. School avoidance has become an increasing concern and school-based health centers are uniquely situated to be able to work with students, families and the schools to provide a supportive plan for encouraging student attendance and welcoming students back into the school environment. Often times, families are not included in these conversations or don't know what to do. It is imperative that we work with families to help generate solutions to help students re-engage in school so that they do not fall further behind. This presentation will provide participants with an opportunity to explore case studies, learn new strategies to help young people cope with their symptoms of anxiety, such as providing a calm room for students during the school day. This presentation will also provide a space for clinicans to be able to ask questions and share best practices around helping students with anxiety in the school setting. It is the overall goal of this presentation to equip providers with the recessary skills or practical ideas to bring back to their own clinics. This presentation is meant to be engaging and multiple modalities will be used throughout the session to keep the audience engaged in the material.
Learning Objectives	<ul> <li>After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to:</li> <li>List at least three interventions or strategies to alleviate signs and symptoms of anxiety.</li> <li>Describe the importance of developing innovative programming and partnerships with their respective school(s).</li> <li>Apply the knowledge learned during the session to develop a mini-treatment plan.</li> </ul>
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#### MANAGING STRESS FOR A HEALTHY FAMILY: INCREASING RESILIENCY IN OUR YOUTH

CE/CEUs	When attended in full, this program offers 1.0 CE for Psychologists, 1.0 IL CEU for Counselors and Social Workers, 1.0 CA BBS CEU for Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists, 1.0 NASP PDC for School Psychologists, or 1.0 ISBE PDC for Illinois Educators.
Presenter	Greta Nielsen, MA, LCPC, NCC; Owner of Illuminate Therapy & Wellness, LLC
Workshop Description	Since 2020 there have been radical life changes for parents of children under 18. In a March, 2021 article "Stress In America 2021: One Year Later, A New Wave of Pandemic Health Concerns," the APA found that nearly half of parents (48%) said the level of stress in their life has increased compared with before the pandemic. Similarly, while slightly more than 3 in 10 adults (31%) reported their mental health has worsened compared with before the pandemic. According to a Mayo Clinic July, 2022 article "Resilience: Build Skills to Endure Hardship." they state that resilience can help protect you from various mental health conditions, such as depression and anxiety. Over the past 3 years families have been faced with extreme adversity adapting to the changes surrounding the pandemic. When stress, adversity or trauma strikes, you still experience anger, grief and pain, but you're able to keep functioning – both physically and psychologically. However, resilience isn't about putting up with something difficult or figuring it out on your own. It's being able to reach out to others for support and finding internal coping strategies to manage the stressors you face. When you have resilience, you might dwell on problems, feel victimized, become overwhelmed or turn to unhealthy coping mechanisms, such as substance abuse, eating disorders or risky behaviors. This presentation will focus on learning about family stress and the ways in which it gets transmitted in the family system, as well as how to educate and equip our children/clients with skills and strategies to tolerate, manage and face the stressors in their life.
Learning Objectives	<ul> <li>After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to:</li> <li>List the 7 C's of Resilience.</li> <li>List ways to reduce risk factors in the family system.</li> <li>Explain how exposure to different types of stressors are associated with the development of mood and anxiety disorders in youth.</li> </ul>
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### PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES FOR CULTIVATING EMOTIONAL BALANCE

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Presenter	Thomas Golebiewski, PhD; Clinical Social Worker and Professor
Workshop Description	This workshop will provide an overview of Self care and compassion practices can be integrated as an antidote to minimize and prevent burnout, exhaustion, toxic and cumulative stress and stressors. We'll consider stress and the stress response, the impact stress has upon the mind, body and brain; relaxation strategies and tools that may calm the mind and open the heart. We'll consider the premise that any time we are stressed, we are feeling an emotion and that how we attend to our experience is fundamental in managing stress and wellness. And cultivating emotional balance. We'll focus attention upon cultivating emotional balance and considering how the body, brain and mind works in tandem is critical to self care and the antidote to prevent burnout.
	We'll explore the foundations of mindfulness and ways of cultivating wise and deliberate practices (skillful means) that may calm the body, focus the mind, and open the heart. In other words, to consider a self care plan that is intentional about how and what can be done to manage stress to self regulate, relate and reflect. This workshop will explore awareness and compassion practices; frame the art of contemplative practices and drawn from some from the research of Dan Siegel (the wheel of awareness and the window of tolerance) and neuroscience and Tara Brach, experiential practices: to pause, relax and open and Rain (Recognize Allow Investigate Nurture).
Learning Objectives	<ul> <li>After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to:</li> <li>Describe the origins, history, and benefits of CEB.</li> <li>Describe the connections between emotional balance and well-being.</li> <li>Explain relevant connections and insights drawn from the art and practice of mindfulness, the neuroscience of the mind, body and brain, and the benefits of cultivating an integrated approach to well beings.</li> </ul>
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#### QUE NERVIOS: A DISCUSSION ON ANXIETY AND MENTAL HEALTH IN THE LATINX COMMUNITY

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Presenter	Roxana Villatoro, MSW; Behavioral Health Therapist at Ascension Saint Francis Hospital
Workshop Description	Latinx culture is diverse and multifaceted, so there is no one-size-fits-all answer to how anxiety is dealt with in the community. However, there are some common cultural factors that can influence how anxiety is experienced and managed. Family is a core foundation of Latinx culture, and there is often a strong emphasis on community and social support. This can be both positive and negative when it comes to anxiety. In this presentation, we will be discussing how the importance of Latinx culture in managing anxiety lies in the unique cultural values and beliefs that can impact mental health. It is important to understand and address various cultural factors in order to know how to provide effective support and treatment for Latinx individuals with anxiety. This program will explore the importance of having a supportive network, while also addressing the pressure to conform to cultural expectations and norms within the Latinx community.
Learning Objectives	<ul> <li>After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to:</li> <li>List the ways in which culture affects the way we express our thoughts, behaviors and emotions when dealing with anxiety.</li> <li>List barriers affecting access to mental health.</li> <li>Define and explain Machismo and Marianismo culture.</li> </ul>
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#### ROUND AND ROUND IT GOES: HELPING PARENTS, CAREGIVERS, AND THERAPISTS BREAK THE CYCLE OF ANXIETY

CE/CEUs	When attended in full, this program offers 1.0 CE for Psychologists, 1.0 IL CEU for Counselors and Social Workers, 1.0 CA BBS CEU for Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists, 1.0 NASP PDC for School Psychologists, or 1.0 ISBE PDC for Illinois Educators.
Presenter	Galina Lipkin LCPC, MA; NCC at Plena Mind Center
Workshop	Whenaa child or adolescent is impacted by anxiety or any anxiety related disorder, a parent or caregiver's first instinct is to remove the anxiety-provoking stimulus in order to alleviate distress. This is a response that comes from a place of caring and compassion, however, accommodation from caregivers perpetuates anxiety, long-term, and results in worse outcomes for the child or adolescent. Supportive Parenting for Anxious Childhood Emotions (SPACE) was developed as an approach to help modify caregiver
Description	behavior to decrease accommodation of anxiety-based behaviors and to create long-term improvement for the affected individual. Utilizing elements of SPACE in home, school, and therapeutic settings can facilitate symptom improvement whether or not the child or adolescent is engaged in treatment. The approach focuses exclusively on changing caregiver behavior without any expectation of the child or adolescent to change, making it an effective stand alone or add-on approach to other treatment. This presentation will focus on identifying and gradually removing accommodations in a way that is supportive of the child or adolescent and facilitates long-term success.
Learning Objectives	<ul> <li>After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to:</li> <li>Describe the anxiety cycle and factors that break and reinforce it.</li> <li>List the role of parents, caregivers, and therapists in perpetuating or breaking the anxiety cycle.</li> <li>Identify accommodations that contribute to anxiety.</li> </ul>
Program Standards & Goals	This program meets APA's continuing education Standard 1.3: Program content focuses on topics related to psychological practice, education, or research other than application of psychological assessment and/or intervention methods that are supported by contemporary scholarship grounded in established research procedures. This program meets APA's continuing education Goal 1: Program is relevant to psychological practice, education, and/or science.
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#### SOMATIC INTERVENTIONS FOR STRESS REDUCTION

CE/CEUs	When attended in full, this program offers 1.0 CE for Psychologists, 1.0 IL CEU for Counselors and Social Workers, 1.0 CA BBS CEU for Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists, 1.0 NASP PDC for School Psychologists, or 1.0 ISBE PDC for Illinois Educators.
Presenter	Sarah Tolan-Mee, RSMT; Yellowbrick
Workshop Description	Somatic Interventions for Stress Reduction is an experiential workshop that invites participants to explore embodied practices that help alleviate stress. The word somatic comes from the ancient Greek word soma, or body. For thousands of years, people around the world have been using embodied practices to address the incredibly rigorous physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual demands of being human. This workshop will introduce a series of integrative mind-body exercises that foster awareness, calm, grounding, focus, and acceptance.
	We will explore the current neurobiological research that illuminates why somatic interventions are effective, and we will explore various somatic modalities including breathwork, gentle movement, visualization, intentional language, and sensorimotor mindfulness. Participants will be introduced to imaginative exercises that foster self-connection, physiological resilience, and creative flow. Everyone will come away from Somatic Interventions with an understanding of the way stress affects the nervous system, and how integrated somatic work can help navigate stress in the moment, and change the nervous system's response to stress over time.
Learning Objectives	<ul> <li>After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to:</li> <li>Describe/explain how stress affects the nervous system.</li> <li>List how to change the nervous system's response to stress over time.</li> <li>Utilize multi-modal exercises to explore and rehabilitate their own stress response.</li> </ul>
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#### SPIRITUAL PRACTICES FOR STRESS MANAGEMENT

CE/CEUs	When attended in full, this program offers 1.0 CE for Psychologists, 1.0 IL CEU for Counselors and Social Workers, 1.0 CA BBS CEU for Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists.
Presenter	Rabbi Andrea London; Beth Emet The Free Synagogue
Workshop Description	Jewish tradition teaches that the world stands on three things: study of sacred texts, prayer, and acts of loving kindness. Regardless of one's religious persuasion or lack thereof, these pillars are powerful techniques to help center us, find community, and live with greater purpose and meaning. Additionally, these are powerful tools to use when understanding and working with our clients. This workshop will explore different spiritual ideas, and how they can help use (I think this is us) manage stress and experience greater healing and wholeness in our lives. In particular, we will explore how to utilize these strategies with clients and integrate them into their understanding of themselves, lives and experiences.
Learning Objectives	After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to: • Apply spiritual techniques to assist clients with stress management. • Utilize a new spirituality-based framework when conceptualizing their clients' lives and lived experiences.
Program Standards & Goals	This program meets APA's continuing education Standard 1.3: Program content focuses on topics related to psychological practice, education, or research other than application of psychological assessment and/or intervention methods that are supported by contemporary scholarship grounded in established research procedures. This program meets APA's continuing education Goal 1: Program is relevant to psychological practice, education, and/or science.
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#### STRESS LESS: RESILIENCE FOR SUCCESS

CE/CEUs	When attended in full, this program offers 1.0 CE for Psychologists, 1.0 IL CEU for Counselors and Social Workers, 1.0 CA BBS CEU for Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists, 1.0 NASP PDC for School Psychologists, or 1.0 ISBE PDC for Illinois Educators.
Presenter	Joe Zuzich, LCSW; Director of Education NAMI Andrea O'Morrow; NAMI Education Manager
Workshop Description	Stress Less: Resilience for Success is an in-school presentation for middle and high school students. Teenagers are experiencing stress at high levels for many different reasons: school, friendships, family relationships, extracurricular activities, and more. This presentation teaches students how to identify causes of stress, develop stress management techniques, and practice mindfulness. Mindfulness not only reduces stress and anxiety in individuals but leads to better school performance and overall well-being. By addressing this community need, NAMI Metro Suburban hopes to teach students how to reduce stress and practice good mental health behaviors. Students will learn to define stress and about the various types of stress/stressors. Through discussion, students will be able to identify sources of stress and recognize the signs and symptoms of stress in themselves and others. The presentation promotes students' resiliency through practice of self- compassion and mindfulness. Students will practice mindfulness and grounding exercises during the presentation.
Learning Objectives	After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to: <ul> <li>List how stress affects your body, mind, and emotions.</li> <li>Engage in internal reflection.</li> <li>List ways to manage stress in our daily lives.</li> </ul>
Program Standards & Goals	This program meets APA's continuing education Standard 1.3: Program content focuses on topics related to psychological practice, education, or research other than application of psychological assessment and/or intervention methods that are supported by contemporary scholarship grounded in established research procedures. This program meets APA's continuing education Goal 1: Program is relevant to psychological practice, education, and/or science.
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#### STRESS: A GATEWAY TO HEALTH --A HOLISTIC APPROACH TO WELL-BEING IN A STRESSFUL WORLD

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Presenter	Larry Stoler, PhD; Founder of Budding Spring Healing
Workshop Description	Today, there is increasing interest in alternative and complementary approaches to wellness among clinicians and the general public. It is not uncommon for both professionals and lay people to use yoga, mindfulness, meditation, nutritional supplements, and acupuncture/Qigong/Traditional Chinese Medicine to stimulate their innate natural healing responses. These approaches appeal to people because they are empowering, that is they are positive and have a growth-oriented perspective. Stress has long been understood to have a causal link to a variety of physical and mental disorders. In this workshop, participants will be shown a framework combining psychology and Chinese Medicine that can transform stress into an opportunity for promoting health and wellness. Specifically, participants will be shown how the Yin/Yang philosophy central to Chinese Medicine can change the stress - illness connection into one where stress becomes a path to self-understanding and healing. This framework also shows how the powerful energy of emotions, like the ones produced by stressful events, can activate our body's hidden healing potential. Participants will be taught Qigong energy practices that they can immediately use to help them become more balanced in the face of stress. This shift towards internal balance is central to activating our innate capacities for health and well-being.
Learning Objectives	After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to: • List the benefits of applying the Yin/Yang framework to the stress response. • Describe key differences between the western and eastern medicine approaches to stress. • Practice Qigong self-care practice for stress management.
Program Standards & Goals	This program meets APA's continuing education Standard 1.3: Program content focuses on topics related to psychological practice, education, or research other than application of psychological assessment and/or intervention methods that are supported by contemporary scholarship grounded in established research procedures. This program meets APA's continuing education Goal 1: Program is relevant to psychological practice, education, and/or science.
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#### SUBSTANCE USE AS A SELF-COPING MECHANISM FOR TEENS: UNDERSTANDING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN TEEN MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE

CE/CEUs	When attended in full, this program offers 1.0 CE for Psychologists, 1.0 IL CEU for Counselors and Social Workers, 1.0 CA BBS CEU for Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists, 1.0 NASP PDC for School Psychologists, or 1.0 ISBE PDC for Illinois Educators.
Presenter	Erin Tegge, AM; LSW at PEER Services
Workshop Description	The normalization of using substances; including alcohol, cannabis, and tobacco to manage everyday stress has increased over the past few years among the adult population. This change in adult behavior has impacted our teens in sending either direct or indirect messages that self-coping with substances is acceptable. This presentation will look at the relationship between youth substance use, mental health and factors that impact both areas. Factors include individual, familial and social components. We will examine both sides; does youth substance use lead to mental health concerns or does mental health challenges lead to substance use? How do we differentiate between the two and intervene effectively when both concerns are present. Lastly, we will look at how effective substance use prevention is mental health prevention.
Learning Objectives	<ul> <li>After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to:</li> <li>Explain the prevalence of mental health and substance use among teens.</li> <li>List what factors are impacting our teens in today's world.</li> <li>List signs and symptoms of substance use.</li> </ul>
Program Standards & Goals	This program meets APA's continuing education Standard 1.3: Program content focuses on topics related to psychological practice, education, or research other than application of psychological assessment and/or intervention methods that are supported by contemporary scholarship grounded in established research procedures. This program meets APA's continuing education Goal 1: Program is relevant to psychological practice, education, and/or science.
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#### THE INTERNET AND THE RISE OF ANXIETY

CE/CEUs	This program does not offer continuing education credits.
Presenter	Eric W, Homer, MSW
Workshop Description	<ul> <li>In the years since the widespread adoption of internet access and social media, anxiety and depression have risen. It is not just one aspect of technology, though, that is causing this meteoric rise. Instead, these mediums play on young adults' existing vulnerabilities whether they're exploring true independence for the first time, experiencing career or financial stressors, or delving into previously ignored areas of their sexuality while looking for a spouse.</li> <li>Why does it appear to be worse now than before? We will discuss several key aspects that include:</li> <li>The Proliferation of Disinformation: As we saw at the height of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is easy to spread false information including information that impacts individuals' mental health.</li> <li>The Echo Chambers: While an immediate connection to others can be helpful, especially for those living with chronic illnesses (like HIV/AIDS) or in communities where they may feel alone based on their gender or sexuality, there are often drawbacks to connecting to strangers online especially when individuals promote harmful behaviors.</li> <li>The Pain of Cancel Culture: For many entering adulthood, each decision takes on oversized importance. The fear of making a misstep that can result in cancellation (or ostracization) from the in-group can be overwhelming, especially when one does not yet have a firm handle on their own identity.</li> </ul>
Learning Objectives	<ul> <li>After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to:</li> <li>List strategies to reduce potentially damaging social media in the community, work setting and home.</li> <li>List some of the ways that social media that may cause stress within personal, family and work settings.</li> </ul>
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#### THE STRESS EXPERIENCE: BREAKING THE WHOLE INTO MANAGEABLE PIECES

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Presenter	Serena Wadhwa Psy.D, TriQual Living Center LCPC, CADC, CCTP
Workshop Description	Tension and anxiety are normal aspects of modern life, but ineffective stress management can lead to stress disorders, psychological distress, and physical ailments. This session explores strategies to prevent, reduce, and manage stress at a physical, emotional, mental, sensation-sense, behavioral, environmental and spiritual (values, purpose, meaning) level. We explore each level, possible experiences and tools to process and bring back some balance among the pieces. Care packages are provided which includes tangible tools for use.
Learning Objectives	<ul> <li>After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to:</li> <li>List the seven levels of the stress experience.</li> <li>Identify a minimum of two tools to assist in moving through the stress levels.</li> </ul>
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### THE USE OF ESSENTIAL OILS TO REDUCE STRESS & ANXIETY

CE/CEUs	When attended in full, this program offers 1.0 CE for Psychologists, 1.0 IL CEU for Counselors and Social Workers, or 1.0 CA BBS CEU for Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists.
Presenter	Sylvia Corcoran, LCSW, MCEd; Therapist at Inclusive Insight Psychotherapy & Counselling
Workshop Description	Aromatherapy is a holistic therapy using volatile plant oils, including essential oils, for spiritual, psychological and physical well-being. Essential oils are effectively the immune system of the plant kingdom. These are gifts derived from the earth to help quiet the mind, heal the body and connect us to the soul. Finding this balance of mind, body and soul is the foundation of true health and happiness. Attendees will gain an introduction of basic theory, safety of essential oils for home use. We will discuss a number of different essential oils, learn their therapeutic properties, and how to best use them in recipes. Attendees will walk away with their own (pre-made) essential oil roller and bath salt. No previous experience is necessary.
Learning Objectives	After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to: <ul> <li>List essential oil scents that have been shown to reduce stress and anxiety.</li> <li>List ways to utilize essential oils to reduce stress and anxiety in their lives/work.</li> </ul>
Program Standards & Goals	This program meets APA's continuing education Standard 1.3: Program content focuses on topics related to psychological practice, education, or research other than application of psychological assessment and/or intervention methods that are supported by contemporary scholarship grounded in established research procedures. This program meets APA's continuing education Goal 1: Program is relevant to psychological practice, education, and/or science.
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#### UNTYING THE HUMAN KNOT: MANAGING STRESS AND ANXIETY IN TODAY'S WORLD

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Presenter	Orson Morrison, Psy.D.; Director of DePaul Family and Community Services, Founder of LifeSpan Counseling & Psychological Services, LLP Paula R. Young, PhD, ACT Gabriela Diaz; Program Facilitator at Erasing the Distance
Workshop Description	This presentation will provide an overview of the relationship between stressful life events and their effects on physical and mental health, including anxiety and depression. The first two panelists will discuss the difference between normal stress and anxiety. In addition, they will differentiate between healthy and unhealthy levels of stress and their respective impact on the body. Panelists will discuss the impact of the pandemic, racial injustice, mass shootings, climate change, technology, and social media on stress and anxiety, and how this might look different for different sociocultural groups. Healthy coping strategies and selfcare to reduce stress during these difficult times will also be presented. In addition, An Erasing the Distance team member living with anxiety, Cabriela Diaz, will share her personal story, and sit on the panel for discussion following the performance: Cabriela will take us to the beginning of her experience with anxiety, interweaving the complexities of family dynamics, cultural expectations, and modern career challenges. She will also explore the pride, joy, and humor that can be uplifted when one reframes their perspective from living with a diagnosis to living with a superpower.
Learning Objectives	<ul> <li>After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to:</li> <li>Least 3 socio-cultural factors that impact the development of anxiety disorders in different populations.</li> <li>List two (2) ways that stress can affect mental and physical well-being.</li> <li>List two (2) ways to mitigate the impact of stress on mental well-being.</li> </ul>
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#### UPDATING YOUR OPERATING SYSTEM: THE FIVE DIALS APPROACH TO MANAGING HOW YOU ACT, THINK, AND FEEL IN REAL TIME

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Presenter	Jenny Arrington; Co-founder + Lead Teacher at Rebel Human
Workshop Description	We want everyone to have to power to: <ul> <li>program their own mind</li> <li>be in charge of their internal systems</li> <li>quiet the internal noise (mind chatter)</li> <li>develop and connect to their own moral compass</li> <li>build your resilience, capacity, and resources</li> <li>gain power and autonomy over your life</li> </ul> It is difficult to think our way into this when we are struggling with past trauma, disregulation, fear, ego, and our culture's constant bombardment of frictionless communication channels. Rebel Human uses embodied neuroscience to teach simple tools one can use to shift their physiology. emotional state, and mindset in real time. It helps schools and companies co-create a culture of psychological safety and care through developing skills in self-awareness, emotion regulation, impulse control, self-care and stress management, perspective taking, empathy, relationship building, respect for self and others, social engagement, and ethical responsibility. We do this through the Five Dials (breath, focus, self-talk, movement, and Non-sleep deep rest). This is embodied neuroscience.
Learning Objectives	<ul> <li>After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to:</li> <li>Describe how to manipulate the systems of your body to achieve a state of your choosing.</li> <li>List ways to update your "operating system" so that you have new features.</li> <li>Describe how to code over old self-limiting beliefs and create a new story.</li> </ul>
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#### VISUAL HARM REDUCTION: THE IMPACT OF FACILITY DESIGN ON EMOTIONAL WELL-BEING

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Presenter	Monica Morris, LPC; PEER Services
Workshop Description	"Is it surprising that prisons resemble factories, schools, barracks, hospitals, which all resemble prisons?" -Michel Foucault In the renowned text, "Discipline & Punish: The Birth of the Prison", author Michel Foucault likens the aesthetics of institutional facilities to that of prisons. And today, with contemporary issues such as mass incarceration and the wrongful detention of people with mental illness or substance use disorders, we continue to witness an oppressive barrier to care. As mental health professionals, it is essential that we not only maintain awareness of current events, but furthermore, that we seek to understand the complex, interwoven history between carceral and mental health systems. In this presentation, we will examine from an arts-based lens how this shared history manifests visually, and symbolically, within the architecture and design of treatment centers across the Chicagoland area. Photographs from the presenter's archive will be displayed alongside peer-reviewed literature from the fields of art therapy, architecture, critical theory, and behavioral health sciences. Attendees will explore how an art therapy approach, with its visual sensibilities, can offer new perspectives on our clinical environments. Relevant case examples from adult outpatient substance use treatment will be discussed.
Learning Objectives	<ul> <li>After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to:</li> <li>Explore new insights on the historical relationship between carceral, substance use, and mental health care systems.</li> <li>Describe the emotional impact of stigma and design on client treatment outcomes.</li> <li>List strategies to re-envision clinical spaces from an art therapy framework.</li> </ul>
Program Standards & Goals	This program meets APA's continuing education Standard 1.3: Program content focuses on topics related to psychological practice, education, or research other than application of psychological assessment and/or intervention methods that are supported by contemporary scholarship grounded in established research procedures. This program meets APA's continuing education Goal 1: Program is relevant to psychological practice, education, and/or science.
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#### WHEN STRESS BECOMES A CRISIS: PREVENTING MASS VIOLENCE IN AMERICA

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Presenter	Ana Belmonte, Psy.D.; Department Chair of Forensic Psychology, TCSPP
Workshop Description	According to the Gun Violence Archive, there were 647 mass shootings in the United States in 2022. The news media, politicians, and the general public typically attribute mass gun violence to severe mental illness. However, research indicates that the majority of mass shooters and other perpetrators of violence are not motivated by symptoms of mental illness, but rather as a result of hate, fame-seeking, or experiencing crises in their lives. Data from The Violence Project (2021) showed that 80% of mass shooters analyzed were in a state of crisis at the time of the shooting. Individuals facing crises such as deterioration in relationships, losing a job, being rejected by peers or co-workers, or financial problems, may have a build up of frustrations and other emotions over time leading them to act violently. These individuals often show signs of difficulty coping with the stress in their lives, such as displaying increased agitation, abusive behavior, isolation, depression and mood swings, paranoia, and more. Many individuals show multiple signs of crisis.
	Individuals, institutions, and society as a whole have a number of avenues to prevent mass violence, such as addressing trauma, intervening in times of crisis, reduce social proof, and enact laws and social support systems. In this presentation, we will discuss the warning signs and behaviors of future violence and indicators that a person may be experiencing a crisis warranting intervention. Additionally, we will discuss intervention points, both at an individual and community level, to reduce and prevent mass violence.
Learning Objectives	<ul> <li>After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to:</li> <li>List eight types of warning behaviors that may indicate risk for future violence.</li> <li>List signs of crises that may indicate a risk for future violence.</li> <li>List potential interventions to reduce risk for violence, at both the individual and community level.</li> </ul>
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#### WHEN TO WORRY ABOUT ANXIETY IN OLDER ADULTS

CE/CEUs	When attended in full, this program offers 1.0 CE for Psychologists, 1.0 IL CEU for Counselors and Social Workers, or 1.0 CA BBS CEU for Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists.
Presenter	Susan Swanson, LCSW; CJE SeniorLife
Workshop Description	Contrary to popular belief, older adults suffer from anxiety more than depression. Symptoms of anxiety and depression often occur together and are more difficult to differentiate in older adults. Anxiety is the most common mental health disorder among older adults affecting 10%-20% of this population. Anxiety disorders are highly treatable yet very few seek treatment. Older adults often conceal their anxiety and tend to minimize symptoms. Often, symptoms of anxiety manifest as physical symptoms. As a result, anxiety is under reported and often goes undiagnosed. How do we effectively work with older adults so that that they are more likely to seek treatment for anxiety? How do we determine if the older adult's worry becomes so significant that their daily life is impacted? When does worry become a concern? First, it is important to recognize the signs and symptoms of anxiety and to be aware that these symptoms may manifest differently in older adults than inother populations. It is also critical to identify possible causes of anxiety in order to treat anxiety. Treatment of anxiety may range from learning new skillsand strategies such as grounding exercises to clinical interventions which include talk therapy. This presentation will address anxiety in older adults and interventions.
Learning Objectives	<ul> <li>After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to:</li> <li>Describe how signs of anxiety may differ in older adults.</li> <li>List possible causes for increased anxiety in older adults.</li> <li>List interventions to help reduce the symptoms of anxiety in older adults.</li> </ul>
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#### WHOLE HEALTH: A "MAGICK" INFORMED APPROACH TO HEALTH AND WELLNESS

CE/CEUs	When attended in full, this program offers 1.0 CE for Psychologists, 1.0 IL CEU for Counselors and Social Workers, or 1.0 CA BBS CEU for Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists.
Presenter	Eric J. Proescher, PsyD, MPH; Jesse Brown VA Medical Center
Workshop Description	A review of current research on psychotherapy outcomes suggest most psychotherapists have only moderate treatment success. However, there are a special group of psychotherapists (also called "supershrinks") that outperform all others and this level of performance is not understood by medical science despite advancements with evidenced based psychotherapy research and other knowledge developed in the psychological sciences. Additionally, clients who see both Psychics/Mentalists report far greater success and outcomes with Psychics/Mentalists over psychotherapists (Miller & Hubble, 2017). The mental health field could learn from these group of "super-healers" by appreciating that they may be doing something that has been lost in our age of science based explanations. A closer look at the research evidence in psychotherapy outcomes suggest that lack of engagement in a large percentage of cases is a key barrier to recovery and transformation. The VA's WH approach is the key to increasing positive mental health outcomes via the "magick" of engagement. Furthermore, "magick" is a term when borrowed from the language of the "Occult" and translated into the reductionist language medical science is called the "Placebo Effect." "Magick" in the context of psychotherapy and self-help is harnessing the "Placebo Effect," a real effect with positive outcomes. The VA has been working on implementing a Whole Health (WH) system of care to provide patients and clinicians with tools for engagement by starting with the question what matters most to the person. WH refers to the holistic and integrative approach to health and wellness, which takes into account the interconnectedness of physical, mental, emotional, social, and spiritual aspects of a person's well-being. "Magick" and WH may appear to be vastly different concepts, but they do share some similarities. First, the focus on intention and mental state play a crucial role in achieving desired outcomes. Second, the emphasis on personal empowerment and taking control of one's li
Learning Objectives	<ul> <li>After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to:</li> <li>Explain "Magick" and what is has to offer to the Whole Health (WH) approach to mental health and recovery.</li> <li>Explain how to use the WH approach in their day-to-day work and life by ensuring clinicians and patients alike are having conversations about what is most important to them.</li> </ul>
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#### WRITING FOR WELLNESS: THE HEALING POWER OF PERSONAL NARRATIVE

CE/CEUs	This program does not offer continuing education credits.
Presenter	Ellen Blum Barish MA; Author and Presenter
Workshop Description	You understand the power of personal stories because you listen to them in a deep way. But what about the stories from people's lives that are put on the page? Writing about stressful and anxiety-causing experiences can help people organize their thoughts, regulate their emotions, encourage them to ask for support and find meaning in those experiences. In this program, we will talk about how writing adds another layer of discovery to what happens in your office. Using short sections of personal essays and memoirs, we will explore elements of personal narrative and allow time for reflective writing and discussion.
Learning Objectives	<ul> <li>After attending this introductory-level program, participants will be able to:</li> <li>Explain the connection between writing and benefits for mental health.</li> <li>Access and apply writing tools into therapeutic practice.</li> </ul>
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