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Buried in Treasures:

The Nature and Treatment of Compulsive Hoarding

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The aim of this workshop is to familiarize you with compulsive hoarding, a common and potentially severe mental health problem characterized by acquisition of, and failure to discard, a large number of possessions to the extent that living spaces become uninhabitable. We will review emerging data investigating the nature of hoarding, associated mental health features, and new research findings regarding brain function in people who hoard.

To date, compulsive hoarding has frustrated mental health and social service workers due to its apparently chronic and treatment-resistant nature. Many hoarders are reluctant to seek help, and even those who do seek help frequently resist therapists' efforts to intervene. Clinical studies, therefore, have consistently shown a poor response to psychological and pharmacologic treatments. Recently, however, a new model of cognitive-behavioral therapy (CBT) has emerged based on our increasing understanding of hoarding. In this workshop, you will learn specific skills to increase patients' motivation and compliance, challenge maladaptive ways of thinking, and learn new behavior patterns. We will also discuss possibilities for further development of the CBT model, including augmentation with cognition-enhancing exercises and medications as well as the collaboration between mental health professionals and paraprofessionals.

***Buried in Treasures:
Help for Compulsive Acquiring,
Saving, and Hoarding***
by Dr. David Tolin will be included
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Face your Fears:

Conducting Exposure Therapy for Phobias, Panic, Obsessions, PTSD, and More

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This workshop is based on six central premises:

1. Many clinicians report feeling that they do not have sufficient training to conduct exposure therapy well.
2. The "exposure therapy" many clients receive is delivered at sub-optimal levels, or is "watered down" with other treatment elements that are unhelpful or even harmful.
3. There are many myths about exposure therapy that, although scientifically unfounded, serve as a barrier to effective implementation.
4. Correctly-conducted exposure therapy can and should be a central component of cognitive-behavioral therapy for a range of anxiety disorders, including specific phobia, social phobia, panic disorder, obsessive-compulsive disorder, posttraumatic stress disorder, and generalized anxiety disorder.
5. For treatment planning, the DSM-IV-TR is not nearly as helpful as a clear conceptualization of what is feared.
6. Exposure therapy can be distilled into basic elements can be adapted to a wide range of presenting problems, including complex or multi-diagnosis cases.

The primary aim of this workshop is to provide clinicians with clear, straight-forward, and evidence-based instructions for planning and implementing exposure therapy for a broad range of consumers. Topics will include case conceptualization and treatment planning, psychoeducation and motivational enhancement, self-monitoring, constructing an exposure hierarchy, eliminating safety behaviors, and addressing maladaptive thinking patterns. Handouts for successful treatment will be provided. Novice and experienced clinicians alike will find that this workshop provides a trans-diagnostic template for treating a range of anxiety-related concerns.

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Following this workshop, participants will be able to:

1. Discuss the epidemiology and features of compulsive hoarding.
2. Describe the economic and social impact of compulsive hoarding.
3. Describe current neurobiological models of compulsive hoarding.
4. Outline a cognitive-behavioral model of compulsive hoarding.
5. Implement motivational interviewing strategies for patients who hoard.
6. Create a cognitive-behavioral treatment plan for hoarding patients.

Face Your Fears

Following this workshop, participants will be able to:

1. Construct an exposure hierarchy and provide psychoeducation about exposure.
2. Use motivational enhancement strategies to engage patients in treatment.
3. Identify and reduce safety behaviors and other forms of avoidance.
4. Use cognitive restructuring strategies to complement exposure therapy.
5. Track patient progress within and between sessions.
6. Incorporate in vivo, imaginal, and interoceptive exposure strategies as needed.
7. Develop and implement exposure therapy protocols for patients with phobias, panic disorder, posttraumatic stress disorder, obsessive-compulsive disorder, and generalized anxiety disorder



David Tolin, Ph.D., ABPP is the Founder and Director of the Anxiety Disorders Center at The Institute of Living and Adjunct Associate Professor at Yale University School of Medicine. He is the recent recipient of the Award for Distinguished Contribution to the science of psychology from the Connecticut Psychological Association. Dr. Tolin is the author of over 100 journal articles, books, and book chapters, and his research has been funded by the National Institute of Mental Health. Dr. Tolin has been a recurrent guest on *The Today Show*, *Good Morning America*, *The Dr. Oz Show*, and *The Oprah Winfrey Show*. A leading expert on compulsive hoarding, Dr. Tolin is the author of the book *Buried in Treasures: Help for Compulsive Acquiring, Saving, and Hoarding*. Dr. Tolin was featured on the A&E television series *Hoarders*, and was featured in the VH-1 series *The OCD Project in Summer 2010*.

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