

**3 hours of
Ethics
Training!**

FORENSICALLY INFORMED THERAPY: AVOIDING LEGAL AND ETHICAL DILEMMAS

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Why Forensically Informed Therapy?

Forensically Informed Therapy (FIT) was introduced by Lynne Kenny, Psy.D. and Diana Vigil, L.P.C., R.P.T. in a seminal 1996 article in the Arizona State Law Journal. The mental health professional practicing Forensically Informed Therapy understands the law, ethical standards, practice standards, and the differences between clinical and forensic roles for mental health professionals. Clients are served with treatment approaches informed by forensic research and empirically-based treatment methods. FIT challenges mental health professionals to be acutely aware of how their work can be utilized by litigating parties' self-interests at the expense of the child.

Attendees will learn an integrated system for forensic risk management. They will receive a written protocol describing forensic risk management from the parent's initial telephone call to closing the case, including; intake interviews; forensically sound informed consent agreements; formulating the treatment plan, selecting treatment modalities, and record keeping.

The workshop is for mental health professionals from diverse practice settings, levels of experience, and specialty interests.

Learn to use this easy-to-apply model to help identify and prevent legal and ethical problems before they arise!

Course Content

- **Forensically Informed Therapy vs. Traditional Therapy:**
Key differences
- **Information You Should Know Before Accepting the Case:**
Telephone triage
- **The Professional Battleground:**
How clients, attorneys, and the court pull you into ethical/legal dilemmas
- **Responding to Subpoenas:**
Avoiding breaches of confidentiality
- **Avoid the Licensing Board:**
Records, dual roles, confidentiality, practice management, informed consent
- **Risk Management *Before, During, and After* your case goes to court**

~DATE~

Friday, June 19, 2009

8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Lunch on your own from 12:15 p.m. to 1:15 p.m.

~ LOCATION~

Childhelp USA

2346 N. Central Ave Phoenix, AZ 85004

602-271-4500

~ PARKING ~

Closest parking is directly south of the facility on Vernon Street on west side of Central Avenue. **(Avoid reserved spaces - you are likely to receive a ticket)**

~ CONTINUING EDUCATION ~

This program is approved by the National Board of Certified Counselors (NBCC).
Diana Vigil and Julie Skakoon are solely responsible for all aspects of this program.

7 hours of CEU (3 hours of Ethics)

All participants are provided with snack & beverage breaks and certificate of attendance.

SEMINAR SCHEDULE

8:00 - 8:30	Registration	12:15-1:15	Lunch
8:30 - 10:30	1 st Session	1:15-3:15	3 rd Session
10:30 - 10:45	Break	3:15-3:30	Break
10:45 -12:15	2 nd Session	3:30-5:00	4 th Session

I WILL ATTEND:

	By 6/1	After 6/1
<input type="checkbox"/> June 19, 2009 – Forensically Informed Therapy: Avoiding Legal and Ethical Dilemmas	\$150	\$175

* Students \$100.00

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