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## Free Speech, Hate Speech: Can Talking Cure?

As globalization and metastasizing conflicts drive us into ever-closer encounters with the Other, a siege mentality spreads. Those who represent the public voice: politicians, professional and “citizen” journalists, pundits, academics—respond to real and imagined violence with conflicted reappraisals of free speech and its limits, especially “hate speech.” Where on this intellectual battleground do we find psychoanalysis? How can psychoanalysts, practitioners of the talking cure, enter the discourse? Does our clinical experience give us special insight into the nature of freedom? In a polarized era, perhaps psychoanalysts have the tools to open a space for genuine encounter across ideological divides.

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#### CONTINUING EDUCATION INFORMATION

**LEARNING OBJECTIVES:** Participants will be able to (1) recognize free association in democratic free speech, and (2) identify psychoanalytic precedents for setting a very high bar for free speech, including for hate speech.

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