

Extension Division Short Course

## Modern Psychoanalytic Approaches to Understanding and Treating Addictive Disorders

This course will focus on understanding addiction as a form of self-medication, a maladaptive defense for managing unacceptable thoughts and feelings, and will emphasize treatment methods that combine psychoanalytic theory and technique with harm-reduction approaches. Case studies will be used to illustrate the theoretical material.

9 CE Credits for Licensed Psychoanalysts, Social Workers, and CASACs

## ■ WEDNESDAYS, MAY 22 - JUNE 26, 2019 · 7:00 - 8:30 PM ■

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PRACTITIONERS AND GENERAL PUBLIC: \$300 | STUDENTS: \$150

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## CONTINUING EDUCATION INFORMATION

LEARNING OBJECTIVES: Participants will be able to (1) describe the role played by early narcissistic pathology in the etiology of addictive disorders; (2) describe how substance use maintains the narcissistic defense; (3) describe the treatment-destructive resistances that arise in the treatment of people with addictive disorders; (4) describe techniques for resolving the treatment-destructive resistances of substance users; (5) describe the kinds of countertransference feelings that often arise in the treatment of people with addictive disorders; (6) describe how to use their countertransference reactions to substance users therapeutically; (7) describe modern psychoanalytic techniques that are useful in the treatment of addictive disorders; (8) describe how harm-reduction approaches can be integrated with modern psychoanalytic techniques when working with substance abusers.

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