PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT WITH DIVERSE CLIENTS: ETHICAL AND PRACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS

3 Ethics Category A Continuing Education Hours

Saturday, March 11, 2023
9:00 am - 12:15pm

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTION

In a country as diverse as the United States, it is virtually assured that psychologists across clinical settings will at some time be asked to evaluate individuals from a different cultural or linguistic background from their own. Cultural competence in selecting, administering, and interpreting psychological assessments for these clients is critical to accurate clinical decision-making. This workshop is designed to highlight ethical and practical considerations for assessment with adult clients from diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds. We will discuss cultural variability in symptom endorsement and test performance, current research on developing and interpreting translated tests, guidelines for working with interpreters, and strategies for addressing multicultural considerations in report writing.

Instructional Level: Basic
Educational Format: Lecture, discussion

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

1. Discuss examples of common differences in symptom presentation or endorsement among clients from diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds.
2. Identify the pros and cons of psychological testing with clients from diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds, and an approach to decide if and how to implement testing for a given case.
3. List at least 3 strategies for working effectively with interpreters.
4. Describe how to communicate limits or caveats to test interpretation in a psychological report.

Margot Williams, PhD is a licensed psychologist in Chapel Hill, NC. She currently works with the NC State Bureau of Investigation Behavioral Threat Assessment (BeTA) Unit and also contracts to provide criminal forensic and compensation and pension evaluations. Dr. Williams has experience conducting psychodiagnostic and forensic assessment in both English and Spanish and has offered trainings on assessment with culturally and linguistically diverse clients. She graduated from the University of North Carolina with bachelor's degrees in Psychology and Spanish. She received her PhD in Clinical Psychology from the University of North Texas and completed a doctoral internship at the UNC School of Medicine and Federal Correctional Complex Butner joint forensic track, followed by a postdoctoral fellowship in forensic psychology at Central Regional Hospital. Dr. Williams’ research interests center on test development and validation, response styles, and behavioral threat assessment.
Date, Time & Meeting Mode:
Saturday, March 11, 2023
9:00 am - 12:15 pm
(with a 15-minute break)
Via Zoom

Registration Deadline:
Preregistration is required. You must register by the Wednesday prior to the offering (March 8).

Refund Policy:
No refunds on or after Wednesday, March 8, 2023. All refunds are minus a $25 processing fee.

Continuing Education Information:
This workshop is sponsored by the North Carolina Psychological Association (NCPA). NCPA is approved by the American Psychological Association (APA) to offer Continuing Education (CE) for psychologists. NCPA maintains responsibility for this program and its content. This workshop is offered for 3 ethics hours of Category A CE credit.

Attendance Requirement for CE Credit:
To receive CE credit, you must attend the entire workshop. No credit will be given to participants who are more than 15 minutes late at the beginning of any continuing education offering. No credit will be given to those participants who leave more than 15 minutes before the end of the presentation. No credit will be given to those participants who are not present or actively participating for more than 15 minutes (beyond the allotted break time) i.e. not participating in breakout sessions. You must sign in and sign out.

Cost
NCPA Member - $75.00
Non-NCPA Member - $90.00

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