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FIRST FRIDAY FORUM

Friday, May 3, 2019

Acceptance Based Approaches for Weight Stigma and Client Weight Concerns

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Registration: 8:30 – 9:00 a.m.

Program: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

This session is at the intermediate level and is designed for psychologists and other mental health professionals.

Location:

Metropolitan State University – St. Paul Campus Auditorium 700 East Seventh St., St. Paul, MN 55106

About the Program:

This program qualifies for 3.0 continuing education credits.

Clients often present with weight concerns and related distress (e.g., depression, eating disorders, body image concerns, stigma) which are not effectively treated with behavioral weight loss. Larger-bodied clients with these concerns are also often exposed to antifat stigma, causing further mental, physical, and social challenges. Self-acceptance-based treatments are emerging to enhance clients' mental and physical health and address weight stigma without focusing on weight loss. Participants learn the need, for an evidence, supporting acceptance-based approaches to weight concerns, including Acceptance and Commitment Therapy (ACT) and Health At Every Size (HAES®), as well as an integrative psychotherapy, Accept

Participants will be able to:

1. Describe and challenge stereotypes about current research on behavioral weight loss interventions, healthful eating approaches, and the health effects of obesity.

Yourself! which combines ACT and HAES to enhance the mental and

physical health of psychologically distressed obese women.

- Summarize current research on anti-fat stigma and discrimination and provide a rationale for a non-weight-loss approach to health for weight-concerned clients.
- 3. Describe non-weight-loss self-acceptance approaches to mental

and physical wellness and weight management for clients with weight concerns.

About the Presenter:

Margit I. Berman, Ph.D., LP, has a Ph.D. in counseling and social psychology from the University of Minnesota. She is currently assistant professor of psychiatry at the Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth and was an associate professor of clinical psychology at the Minnesota School of Professional Psychology at Argosy University. She was a recipient of the 2015 Hitchcock Foundation Scholars Career Development award for her research and development of the Accept Yourself! intervention for women with obesity and depression. She is a feminist cognitive-behavioral therapist who trains clinicians in Acceptance and Commitment Therapy and self-acceptance based interventions throughout the US. She authored the self-help workbook and clinician manual for Accept Yourself!

Margit I. Berman, Ph.D., LP reports the following conflicts: Publication of two books describing the Accept Yourself! approach, authoring these books and receiving \$2000 publication advance.

Please note: You must attend the full 3-hour program to get continuing education credit for the event.

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