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Workshop Agenda

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All Dates 10/7-10/12	Tuesday 10/7	Wednesday 10/8	Thursday 10/9	Friday 10/10	Saturday 10/11	Sunday 10/12
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October 7, 2025

8:30 AM CT	Tu-1 Engaging Parent Consultations: Winning Them Over and Staying 8:30 AM-4:45 PM 6 CE Hrs	Tu-2 Cognitive Behavioral Play Therapy and Trauma: An Introduction 8:30 AM-4:45 PM 6 CE Hrs	Tu-3 Supervising with Cultural Intention: Application for Play Therapy 8:30 AM-12:00 PM 3 CE Hrs
	Tu-4 The History of Play and Play Therapy. 8:30 AM-12:00 PM 3 CE Hrs	Tu-5 Racial Identity Development in Play Therapy 8:30 AM-12:00 PM 3 CE Hrs	
1:15 PM CT	Tu-6 The Anxious Era: Play Therapy Interventions for Gen Alpha and 1:15 PM-4:45 PM 3 CE Hrs	Tu-7 Understanding the Therapeutic Powers of Play: Utilization and Case 1:15 PM-4:45 PM 3 CE Hrs	Tu-8 Using the Language of Video Games in Adlerian Play Therapy 1:15 PM-4:45 PM 3 CE Hrs

October 8, 2025

8:00 AM CT	W-1 Integrating Expressive Arts in Play Therapy Across the Lifespan 8:00 AM-4:15 PM	W-2 Linking Therapeutic Powers of Play, Seminal Theories, and 8:00 AM-4:15 PM	W-3 What Does It All Mean? Interpretation of Play Themes 8:00 AM-4:15 PM
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W-4 "Shake It Off": Play Therapy and Somatic Movement

8:00 AM-11:30 AM

3 CE Hrs

W-5 AI in Play Therapy: Practical Applications and Ethical

8:00 AM-11:30 AM

3 CE Hrs

W-6 Integrating Sensory Processing and NMT Principles in Play Therapy

8:00 AM-11:30 AM

3 CE Hrs

W-7 Child-Parent Relationship Therapy (CPRT) for Caregivers of

8:00 AM-11:30 AM

3 CE Hrs

12:45 PM CT

W-8 Being Well Grounded: Two Humanistic Play Therapy Theories

12:45 PM-4:15 PM

3 CE Hrs

W-9 Wounded Warriors: Integrative Play Therapy for Male Survivors of

12:45 PM-4:15 PM

3 CE Hrs

W-10 Enhancing Play Therapist Supervision: Effective Strategies for

12:45 PM-4:15 PM

3 CE Hrs

** Branch President's Meeting **

12:45 PM-4:15 PM

Forum

4:45 PM CT

W-11 Taming the Imposter Monster: Play Therapy Supervision Strategies

4:45 PM-6:45 PM

2 CE Hrs

W-12 Advancing Virtual Play Therapy: A Journey Through Digital Tools and

4:45 PM-6:45 PM

2 CE Hrs

W-13 Culturally Attuned Family Play Therapy: Strengthening Bonds in

4:45 PM-6:45 PM

2 CE Hrs

W-14 Caring for Hurts and Counting Toes: Diversity in Theraplay®

4:45 PM-6:45 PM

2 CE Hrs

W-15 Supporting Students' Mental Health and Wellness with School-

4:45 PM-6:45 PM

2 CE Hrs

** Credentialing Forum **

4:45 PM-6:00 PM

Forum

October 9, 2025

8:00 AM CT

Th-1 All You Need to Know About Being an Expert Witness in Court

8:00 AM-4:15 PM

6 CE Hrs

Th-2 Tell the Truth to the Children: Complexities of Coherent Storying in

8:00 AM-4:15 PM

6 CE Hrs

Th-3 Starting Strong: Conducting Effective, Culturally Sensitive Parent

8:00 AM-4:15 PM

6 CE Hrs

Th-4 Defining Infant Play Therapy: Facilitating Nurturing Touch &

8:00 AM-11:30 AM

3 CE Hrs

Th-5 Understanding Parents Through a Cultural Lens: Considerations in

8:00 AM-11:30 AM

3 CE Hrs

Th-6 Enhance Attachment-Informed Supervision with Experiential and

8:00 AM-11:30 AM

3 CE Hrs

Th-7 School Based Play Therapy Supervision

8:00 AM-11:30 AM

3 CE Hrs

Th-8 Playful Healing: Play Therapy with Medically Complex Children &

8:00 AM-11:30 AM

3 CE Hrs

DG-1 Play Therapy and Neurodivergence: Where We've Been,

8:00 AM-11:30 AM

3 CE Hrs

DG-2 Play Therapy Supports for the Community After a Natural Disaster

8:00 AM-11:30 AM

3 CE Hrs

DG-3 What Hat am I Wearing Now? Advancing Play Therapy in the Ever-

8:00 AM-11:30 AM

3 CE Hrs

12:45 PM CT

Th-9 Sustaining Foundations: Supervision, Case Conceptualization,

12:45 PM-4:15 PM

3 CE Hrs

Th-10 See the System: Family-Focused Assessment Practices for Play

12:45 PM-4:15 PM

3 CE Hrs

Th-11 Supporting Grieving K-5 Students: Play Therapy Strategies for

12:45 PM-4:15 PM

3 CE Hrs

Th-12 Ecosystemic Play Therapy Essentials: The Building Blocks of

12:45 PM-4:15 PM

3 CE Hrs

Th-13 Exploring the Perspectives of Children in Kinship Using Adlerian

12:45 PM-4:15 PM

3 CE Hrs

DG-4 Beyond Twinkle Twinkle: Boost Your Attachment Focused Play

12:45 PM-4:15 PM

3 CE Hrs

DG-5 Conducting School-Based Play Therapy Research with and Through

12:45 PM-4:15 PM

3 CE Hrs

DG-6 The Duality of Mothers: Examining the Roles of Mother and

12:45 PM-4:15 PM

3 CE Hrs

4:45 PM CT

Th-14 Burnt and Blocked: Play Therapy Interventions for Parents

4:45 PM-6:45 PM

2 CE Hrs

Th-15 Healing Through Play: A Trauma-Informed Approach to

4:45 PM-6:45 PM

2 CE Hrs

Th-16 Playing Through the Polarization: Play Therapy Strategies

4:45 PM-6:45 PM

2 CE Hrs

Th-17 Creative Interventions and Considerations When Working with

4:45 PM-6:45 PM

2 CE Hrs

Th-18 Healing Medical Trauma Through Play Therapy

4:45 PM-6:45 PM

2 CE Hrs

Th-19 Using Adlerian Play Therapy to Foster Identity in Neurodiverse Teens

4:45 PM-6:45 PM

2 CE Hrs

Th-20 Play Therapy for Children in High-Conflict Divorced Families:

4:45 PM-6:45 PM

2 CE Hrs

6:45 PM CT

*** Welcome Reception ***

6:45 PM-8:00 PM

Reception

October 10, 2025

8:00 AM CT

*** Keynote Presentation ***

8:00 AM-9:30 AM

1 CE Hr

10:00 AM CT

F-1 Starkle Twink: Attachment Based Play Therapy to Enhance the Parent

10:00 AM-5:30 PM

5.5 CE Hrs

F-2 Beyond the Playroom: Culturally Adaptive Play Therapy and Treatment

10:00 AM-5:30 PM

5.5 CE Hrs

F-3 30 Years of Play! Tantrums, Toys & Techniques

10:00 AM-5:30 PM

6 CE Hrs

F-4 Mending Invisible Wounds: Play Therapy for Black Youth Experiencing

10:00 AM-12:30 PM

2.5 CE Hrs

F-5 Once Upon a Time in Adlerian Play Therapy (AdPT): Exploring

10:00 AM-12:30 PM

2.5 CE Hrs

F-6 Bullying in Social Context: Promoting Resilience for Children and

10:00 AM-12:30 PM

2.5 CE Hrs

F-7 Playing (The Wrong) Games? How To Protect the Therapeutic Space from

10:00 AM-12:30 PM

2.5 CE Hrs

F-8 Anxiety and Child-Centered Play Therapy: A Program Approach for

10:00 AM-12:30 PM

2.5 CE Hrs

DG-7 Cultural Humility and Self-Compassion: Integral Processes for

10:00 AM-12:30 PM

2.5 CE Hrs

DG-8 Cultural Implications of Play Therapy Practice in International

10:00 AM-12:30 PM

2.5 CE Hrs

DG-9 How Might Ecosystemic Play Therapy Principles Provide a Frame for

10:00 AM-12:30 PM

2.5 CE Hrs

2:00 PM CT

F-9 The Multicontextual Meaning and Dynamics of Hope in Play Therapy: An

2:00 PM-5:30 PM

3 CE Hrs

F-10 Treating Attachment Wounds in Children and Teens: An Integrative

2:00 PM-5:30 PM

3 CE Hrs

F-11 Let's Get Rolling: Using the Play Therapy Wheel of Competence in

2:00 PM-5:30 PM

3 CE Hrs

F-12 Ethical Practices of Artificial Intelligence in Play Therapy

2:00 PM-5:30 PM

3 CE Hrs

F-13 Parents and Play - Mastering How to Integrate Parents into the Play

2:00 PM-5:30 PM

3 CE Hrs

DG-10 Providing Clinical Supervision for Play Therapists Working with

2:00 PM-5:30 PM

3 CE Hrs

DG-11 "Peekaboo!" Engaging Caregivers in Play Therapy with

2:00 PM-5:30 PM

3 CE Hrs

DG-12 Stepping Up: The Path to Becoming a Supervisor

2:00 PM-5:30 PM

3 CE Hrs

7:30 PM CT

*** APT After Party! ***

7:30 PM-10:00 PM

Reception

October 11, 2025

8:00 AM CT

*** General Session & Awards of Excellence ***

8:00 AM-9:00 AM

Forum

9:30 AM CT

S-1 Conceptualization and Treatment Planning in Adlerian Play Therapy: Not

9:30 AM-5:45 PM

6 CE Hrs

S-2 Parts at Play: Gestalt Play Therapy for the Fractured Self in Dissociation

9:30 AM-5:45 PM

6 CE Hrs

S-3 Selecting Play Therapy Approaches & A Return to Case

9:30 AM-5:45 PM

6 CE Hrs

S-4 Help! How to Build my Play Therapy Toolbox?

9:30 AM-1:00 PM

3 CE Hrs

S-5 Back to the Future: The Past, Present, and Future of Jungian

9:30 AM-1:00 PM

3 CE Hrs

S-6 Reflective Play Therapy Supervision (RFPTS): A Model to

9:30 AM-1:00 PM

3 CE Hrs

S-7 The Forgotten Relationship: Supporting Sibling Relationships

9:30 AM-1:00 PM

3 CE Hrs

S-8 Play Therapy Reflections as the Intervention: Prescriptive Verbal Skills

9:30 AM-1:00 PM

3 CE Hrs

DG-13 No Surrender: Using the Therapeutic Power of Play to Combat

9:30 AM-1:00 PM

3 CE Hrs

2:15 PM CT

S-9 Playful Broaching: Cultural Humility in Play Therapy

2:15 PM-5:45 PM

3 CE Hrs

S-10 Play with Bereaved Children: Play Therapy Interventions for

2:15 PM-5:45 PM

3 CE Hrs

S-11 Becoming a Lilypad: The Role of Attachment in RPT Supervision

2:15 PM-5:45 PM

3 CE Hrs

S-12 Nuts and Bolts of CBPT Foundations and Practice

2:15 PM-5:45 PM

3 CE Hrs

S-13 Child Centered Play Therapy with LGBT+ Youth

2:15 PM-5:45 PM

3 CE Hrs

DG-14 Best of Both Worlds: Immigrant Children's Bicultural

2:15 PM-5:45 PM

3 CE Hrs

October 12, 2025

8:30 AM CT

Su-1 Play Therapist, Know Thyself

8:30 AM-4:30 PM

6 CE Hrs

Su-2 Sandtray in the System: Sandtray with Families and Caregivers

8:30 AM-4:30 PM

6 CE Hrs

Su-3 Ableist, Affirming, or Both: The Vital Role of a Neurodiversity

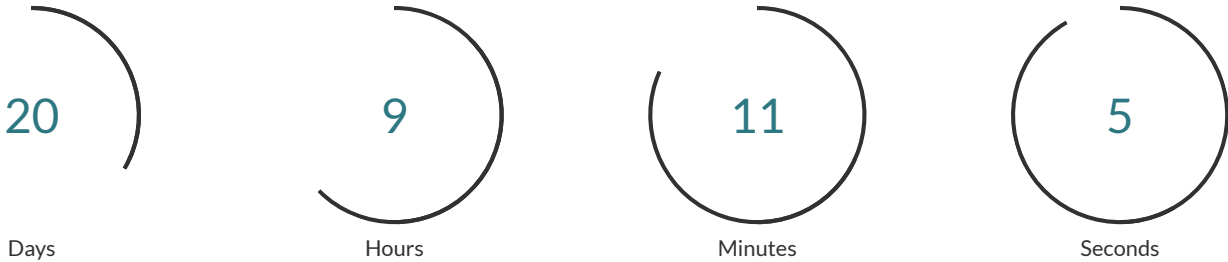
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3 CE Hrs

Su-4 Creative Assessment in Family Play Therapy

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3 CE Hrs



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