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Applying the Biopsychosocial Model in Criminal Justice, Forensic Mental Health, and Legal Settings

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Date: Friday, September 19, 2025 Time: 9 am - 12 pm (CST) 3.0 CEUs

Training Description

The biopsychosocial model is an emerging and comprehensive approach that considers how biological, psychological, and social factors influence health and behavior. This multifaceted framework provides clear benefits for justice-involved individuals by considering the biological, psychological, and social elements that can contribute to problematic behaviors and poor health outcomes. As such, the biopsychosocial model is particularly well suited to help address the diverse array of physical and mental health problems, prenatal/postnatal trauma, cognitive impairments, unhealthy lifestyle practices, and histories of health disparities commonly experienced by justice-involved individuals. This training is designed for criminal justice, forensic mental health, legal professionals, and allied fields of study, who are interested in learning how to incorporate the principles of the biopsychosocial model into professional practice when working with justice-involved clients. Key topics include how the biopsychosocial model can enhance and provide a valuable framework to use during the interviewing, intake, and screening process, goal and treatment planning (including court-mandated treatment), expert consultation and testimony, sentencing, community supervision (e.g., probation and parole), and case management. Research findings from the following fields of study, adverse childhood experiences (ACEs), attachment theory, the first 1,000 days of life, lifestyle medicine, neurocriminology, and nutritional neuroscience, will be incorporated throughout this training to provide participants with a more comprehensive understanding of this approach. A primary goal of this training is to encourage criminal justice, forensic, mental health, and legal professionals to become biopsychosocial model informed. We invite you to think about how you can incorporate the biopsychosocial model into the work you are currently doing or are considering doing in the future to create a more effective and compassionate approach to serving justice-involved individuals.

Training Objectives

1. Define the biopsychosocial model and other related topics.
2. Learn about various prenatal and postnatal biopsychosocial factors associated with criminal behavior and poor health outcomes among justice-involved individuals.
3. Discuss biopsychosocial-informed approaches to interviewing, intake, screening, and intervention for justice-involved individuals.
4. Learn how neurocriminology, lifestyle medicine, neuronutrition, and other related fields of study can be incorporated into a biopsychosocial model approach for justice-involved populations.

Presenter Biography

Jerrod Brown, Ph.D., M.A., M.S., M.S., M.S., is a professor, trainer, researcher, and consultant with multiple years of experience teaching collegiate courses. Jerrod is also the founder and CEO of the American Institute for the Advancement of Forensic Studies (AIAFS) and the founder and co-editor-in-chief of Forensic Scholars Today. For Jerrod's full biography, visit www.aiafs.com/Jerrod-Brown.asp.

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