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Battered Person Syndrome: Dynamics, Controversy, and Legal Issues

Presenter: Carlo A. Giacomoni, PsyD, ABPP

Date: Friday, October 18th, 2019 Time: 8:30am - 4:00pm 6.0 CEUs

Training Description

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), intimate partner violence (IPV) is a serious public health problem that impacts millions of Americans. This type of violence includes physical, sexual or psychological harm by a current or former partner or spouse. It has been estimated that 1 in 3 women and 1 in 4 men have experienced some form of physical violence by an intimate partner. For some of these people, the pattern of continuous domestic violence will leave a prolonged psychological effect on them: a pattern that is sometimes referred to as Battered Woman Syndrome or Battered Person Syndrome. This presentation will clarify the nature of dynamics relative to the Syndrome. Common questions in relation to Battered Person Syndrome will be addressed such as: Who is at risk of being a victim of battering? Why do battered people stay in or return to the abusive relationships? Why do some individuals lie to protect their abusers? This presentation will also address several of the medical, societal, psychological, and legal effects that domestic violence has on individuals. This training will also examine the various physical, neurobiological, and long-term psychological effects that IPV has on impacted individuals, and how that affects their future emotional and behavioral functioning. The presenter will also address some of the unique aspects of Battered Woman Syndrome that make it more than a simple subtype of Posttraumatic Stress Disorder. A discussion will also be held regarding whether Battered Person Syndrome is the more appropriate nomenclature for the condition. A review of related research findings will be presented throughout this training.

Training Objectives

1. Understand the relational dynamics pertaining to IPV, including the cycles of violence
2. Learn about the physical and medical effects of IPV, and how professionals can be attuned to these symptoms
3. Discuss the long-term psychological impact of IPV and various domains in which it impacts individuals and families
4. Explore myths and realities of why some individuals remain in abusive relationships while others leave
5. Review the neurobiology of trauma and the impact of TBI on victims of IPV
6. Address some of the controversies around Battered Woman Syndrome
7. Briefly review case law and discuss legal applications of Battered Person Syndrome

Presenter Biography

Carlo A. Giacomoni, PsyD, ABPP is president of North Star Mental Health, LLC, in Minnesota. He is board certified in clinical psychology by the American Board of Professional Psychology. He graduated from the Chicago School of Professional Psychology, completed his predoctoral internship at the primary forensic hospital for the State of Illinois, and his postdoctoral fellowship at Cook County Jail in Chicago. In addition to forensic and correctional settings, he has worked in acute care psychiatric units and in outpatient practice. In his clinical practice Dr. Giacomoni provides general individual therapy using both psychodynamic theory and cognitive therapy. He has a specialization in working with people that have a history of trauma/abuse/PTSD, using exposure therapy and Cognitive Processing Therapy when appropriate. Dr. Giacomoni also maintains a forensic practice conducting evaluations for competence to stand trial, criminal responsibility, personal injury, and disability. His forensic evaluations have an emphasis on PTSD, particularly working with combat veterans.

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Training Schedule:

7:45am-8:30am – Sign in/Registration	1:00pm-2:15pm – Training
8:30am-10:00am – Training	2:15pm-2:30pm – Break
10:00am-10:15am – Break	2:30pm-3:45pm – Training
10:15am-12:00pm – Training	3:45pm-4:00pm – Questions/Post-Test
12:00pm-1:00pm – Lunch (On Your Own)	4:00pm – Adjourn

Attendee Contact Information Battered Person Syndrome 10/18/2019 8:30am-4:00pm Cost: \$99.00

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