Mental Health Services in Dependency Cases: Looking through a Forensic Lens

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Are you currently providing mental health services to children and families in open Child Welfare Services cases? Are you interested in learning more about this highly specialized, challenging, yet rewarding work?

This training provides an overview of the provision of mental health services to clients involved in the Dependency Court system. LEARNING OBJECTIVES: At the end of this training, you will be able to:

- Identify three sources of professional standards relevant to the provision of psychological evaluations in dependency cases
- Explain who holds the privilege, who can provide consent to treat and the authorization to release mental health records for parents and for children/youth in dependency cases
- Explain three examples of potential conflicts of interest that can arise and how to avoid them when providing mental health services in dependency cases
- Explain “True Findings” and their significance for the provision of mental health services in dependency cases

ABOUT THE TRAINER: Dr. Maltzman has served as the HHSA Child Welfare Services Sr. Staff Psychologist for over 10 years. She is a Fellow of the American Psychological Association and has published and presented nationally on topics related to mental health assessment and treatment.

REGISTRATION: To register, e-mail BHETA at BHETA@mail.sdsu.edu or call 619 594-0923. CONTINUING EDUCATION: This course meets the qualifications for 5 hours of continuing education credit for MFTs, LPCCs, LEPs and/or LCSWs as required by the California Board of Behavioral Sciences, PCE 3776. The Academy is approved by the California Board of Registered Nursing, Provider Number BRN CEP-15014; CCAPP-EI, Provider Number 1S-98-398-0816, and CAADE Provider Number CP10-906-C0317 for 5 contact hours/CEHs. The Academy for Professional Excellence is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. The Academy maintains responsibility for this program and its content.