OUTLINE

Recognize Shame: Assessment Tools

Shame vs. guilt Multicultural perspectives How addressing shame expedites treatment Reading the body - non-verbal signs of shame Interview questions for assessing shame in:

Key relationships and current patterns Sexual, physical or verbal abuse, trauma, and neglect

Shame and Attachment Styles: **Clinical Strategies to Cultivate Secure Attachment and Self-Compassion**

Characteristics of shaming environments Concerns of adults shamed in childhood Strategies to replicate conditions for healthy attachment

How to enhance presence, attunement, resonance and trust

Dignity in the telling - titrating shame exposure

Somatic approaches to cultivate secure attachment

Developmental movements

Horizontal processing Self-compassion exercises

Interventions to address interpersonal difficulties Befriend bodily sensations Common humanity visualizations

Address Shame in Your Trauma Treatment Plans: Reclaim the Body from Shame with Breath and Movement

How shame complicates trauma recovery Polyvagal theory – shame and the shutdown response

Shame and victims of sexual assault – from victim to survivor

Exercises to strengthen connections Belongingness treasures Divine child mandala

I am meditation – choosing visibility Interventions based in breath and movement Heart mudra and breath – embracing

resistance

The peaceful warrior

OBJECTIVES

- Enhance client attunement with clinical strategies that replicate conditions for healthy attachment.
- Characterize how shame complicates the treatment of trauma and specify how shame can be worked with in traumatized clients.
- · Evaluate how shame can be addressed in your treatment plans with self-forgiveness interventions that can help facilitate recovery.

Effectively Intervene in the Downward Spiral of Shame, Anxiety and Depression

Cognitive approaches that lean into ruminatory shame

Put shame into perspective

- Dispute shame messages
- Anxiety interventions for the shame-prone client Breath and movement strategies to stem panic

How yoga addresses anxiety symptoms Break through shame fueled depression with:

- Techniques to bring shame to light Prosocial behavior
- Imagery-based compassion exercises

The Devastating Impact of Shame in Relationships:

Build, Maintain and Repair Couple and Family Relationships

Unmask shame - anger and other disguises Engage partners in shame reparation

- How intergenerational shame impacts intimacy Shame resiliency strategies - empathy, forgiveness and compassion
- Forgiveness practice Releasing breath with mantra

Identify shame wounds and antidotes Mindful RAIN for shame - regulate emotions and reduce judgmental thoughts

Shame Research, Limitations and Treatment Risks

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Communicate how anxiety generated by feelings

of shame can be managed with breathing

techniques that can be taught in-session.

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- Build resiliency to shame with interventions based on empathy, forgiveness and compassion.

SPEAKER

Debra Premashakti Alvis, Ph.D., is a licensed psychologist and private practitioner with over 25 years of clinical experience in supporting clients' recovery from shame, trauma, anxiety, depression and relational concerns. A seasoned international presenter and consultant, Dr. Alvis is also a therapeutic yoga educator and a lecturer at the University of Georgia where she developed and led the Mind/Body Program. The program included a clinician training program integrating contemplative approaches in psychotherapy. A 30-year personal contemplative practice, research experience, and a deep understanding of mindfulness and yoga further enrich her presentations. She draws upon this unique background to provide effective and easily applicable skills designed for immediate integration into clinicians' practices.

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