

Transference: *Neurotic and Psychotic*

This workshop will broaden the notion of transference from the Freudian view of it as a repetition of a past situation, which fits work with neurotics perfectly well, to an understanding of how it manifests with psychotics, which is quite different. Frequently we hear practitioners working with psychotic patients say that there is simply no transference. While this can be a useful criterion in corroborating a diagnosis, it does not mean that the patient is not trying to accomplish (or is not, in fact, accomplishing) something with the analyst. It is merely something quite different from what the neurotic does. If we define transference as how the patient uses the analyst, it takes markedly different forms with the neurotic and the psychotic.

4 CE Credits for Psychoanalysts, Psychologists, and Social Workers

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES: Participants will be able to (1) articulate the precise parameters of transference in work with neurotics, (2) differentiate, based on the kind of work the patient does, neurosis from psychosis, (3) articulate what kind of progress we hope to make with psychotic patients, and (4) describe the varied ways psychotic patients use us and differentiate these from how neurotic patients use us.

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