

## New Online CE Course on Psycholinguistics at HealthForumOnline

HealthForumOnline adds new mental health CE course, Listening To The Language Of Your Patients: Integrating Psycholinguistics Into Clinical Practice.

PHILADELPHIA, PA, USA, October 24, 2017 /EINPresswire.com/ -http://www.healthforumonline.com/ [HealthForumOnline (HFO)], https://www.healthforumonline.com/Accre ditations/44/secure true/ [a nationallyapproved (APA, ASWB, NBCC, NYSED)] provider of convenient, cost-effective online continuing education (CE) for psychologists, social workers, counselors and allied healthcare providers is pleased to announce a new CE course entitled. https://www.healthforumonline.com/Our-Courses/Courses/47/secure true/catego ryld 41/productId 140/ [Listening To The Language Of Your Patients: Integrating Psycholinguistic Concepts Into Clinical Practice], to its extensive library of online CE courses for mental health professionals.



Mental health practitioners have long known that the way in which individuals use words is reflective of their mental state (Pennebaker, Mehl, & Niederhoffer, 2003). For example, Freud (1901) explained

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that the common speech mistakes, e.g. slips of the tongue, that individuals make can be reflective of their underlying feelings. Lacan (1968) posited that the unconscious emerges through language.

Psycholinguistics, an area of study that combines the disciplines of psychology and linguistics, was developed in response to a desire to better understand how language is associated with human behavior and psychopathology (e.g., Lewis & Phillips, 2015). In brief, psycholinguistics is a discipline that seeks to understand how individuals acquire, comprehend, and produce language and to clarify the connection between language use/behavior and psychological development.

By applying the principles of psycholinguistics to the language of their patients, mental health providers can be assisted with clinical assessment, diagnosis and intervention – thereby improving overall quality of care (Hirschberg, Hjalmarsson, & Elhadad, 2010; Traxler, 2011). This new online CE course from HealthForumOnline provides mental health professionals with the basic tools needed to integrate relevant psycholinguistic theories and empirical evidence into clinical practice. Specifically, online course content describes how psycholinguistics contributes to the diagnosis of neurodevelopmental (e.g., Autism, Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, Specific Language Impairment) and psychiatric disorders (e.g., Depression, Bipolar Disorder, Anxiety Disorders, OCD, Eating Disorders, Substance Disorder, Antisocial Personality Disorder, Schizoid Personality Disorder), as well as the diagnosis of four prevalent medical disorders (i.e., Parkinson's disease, Alzheimer's, Cancer, and Cardiovascular Disease). In addition, course material is presented that guides the application of effective psychotherapeutic interventions

This is the first course for HealthForumOnline by Judy Koenigsberg, Ph.D., a licensed clinical psychologist with an expertise in the integration of psychology, linguistics, and education. In a career that has spanned over two decades, Dr. Koenigsberg has served as a staff psychologist at The University of Chicago where she offered psychotherapy to undergraduate and graduate students and reviewed research papers for the Big Ten Conference. While employed at Loyola University of Chicago, she taught graduate-level research design, methodology, and statistics. Dr. Koenigsberg is the author of several relevant journal articles and chapters in the Gale Encyclopedia of Mental Disorders. More recently, she co-authored the book, My Heart Diary: Strategies For Healthy Living, with David I. Koenigsberg, M.D.

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