

# CONCEPT Professional Training & Palo Alto University Announce Summer Training Forensic Mental Health Workshops

Forensic Mental Health workshops coming to Palo Alto University August 20th – 24th, 2018

TAMPA, FLORIDA, UNITED STATES, June 11, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- CONCEPT Professional Training, a global leader in online professional training in forensic mental health, and Palo Alto University, Northern California's leading school of psychology and counseling, announced today that they are hosting Summer Training Institute 2018 at Palo Alto University August 20th – 24th, 2018.

Attendees will participate in live workshops taught by internationally renowned experts in forensic mental health. This 5-day professional training opportunity is appropriate for forensic / clinical mental health professionals, law enforcement & correctional professionals, threat assessment professionals, higher education / Title IX administrators, forensic evaluators, legal professionals, social workers, counselors and those wishing to add forensic evaluation to their clinical practice.

## Workshop Descriptions

Assessment of Risk for Sexual Violence: RSVP and SVR-20 Version 2 (August 20-22)

https://www.conceptce.com/product/august-20-22assessment-of-risk-for-sexual-violencersvp-svr-20-launch/

Presented by Dr. Stephen Hart. Dr. Hart will discuss the use of structured professional judgement (SPJ) guidelines in sexual violence risk assessment. He will review the SPJ approach,



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Forensic Psychological Assessment in Custody Litigation: Conceptual Issues, Data Integration, and Advanced Topics highlighting its potential strengths with respect to developing case formulations and management plans. He will describe two sets of SPJ guidelines, the Sexual Violence Risk-20 Version 2 (SVR-20 V2) and Risk for Sexual Violence Protocol (RSVP) and their administration procedures, focusing on their application to developing formulations (case conceptualizations) and management plans. Finally, participants will practice administration of the SVR-20 V2 and RSVP in two case studies.

Forensic Psychological Assessment in Custody Litigation: Conceptual Issues, Data Integration, and Advanced Topics (August 20-21) presented by Drs. David Martindale and Jay Flens. <a href="https://www.concept-ce.com/product/august-20-21-forensic-psychological-assessment-in-custody-litigation-conceptual-issues-data-integration-and-advanced-topics/">https://www.concept-ce.com/product/august-20-21-forensic-psychological-assessment-in-custody-litigation-conceptual-issues-data-integration-and-advanced-topics/</a>

This workshop will cover interviewing methods designed to yield data most relevant to the issues before the court, and the processes to be employed in the integration of those data with data obtained through the administration of formal assessment instruments. Basic concepts of psychological assessment will be discussed. Suggestions will be offered regarding ways to effectively explain assessment findings in reports. Specific instruments used by child custody evaluators will be discussed in detail. Data integration discussions will include comparing and contrasting test data with other data sources, the use of test data in the development of recommendations and how to discuss testing in written and verbal testimony. Additional topics will include a discussion of the Inclusion of test data in evaluators' reports, disclosure of test data and disclosure of test materials.

Using the MMPI-A-RF in Juvenile Forensic Psychological Evaluations (August 22) presented by Dr. Martin Sellbom. <a href="https://www.concept-ce.com/product/august-22-using-the-mmpi-a-rf-in-juvenile-forensic-psychological-evaluations/">https://www.concept-ce.com/product/august-22-using-the-mmpi-a-rf-in-juvenile-forensic-psychological-evaluations/</a>

This introductory level workshop introduces the 241-item version of the MMPI-A, the MMPI-A Restructured Form. The rationale for and methods used to develop the MMPI-A-RF, the various materials available to score and interpret the test, psychometric functioning of its scales, and interpretive recommendations will be covered. Moreover, a substantial portion of time will be devoted to applications of the MMPI-A-RF in Juvenile Court evaluations.

Suicide Risk Assessment and Intervention for a Diverse Population (August 22) presented by Drs. Joyce Chu, Bruce Bongar, Peter Goldblum and Chris Weaver.

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Though almost all mental health professionals encounter suicide risk within their practices, formal training on suicide risk assessment and intervention is sparse. This training will focus on current gold standards for practice in suicide management. A useable framework and accessible guidelines will ensure that workshop participants are able to competently manage suicide risk in their practice, incorporating the latest standards in suicide science. Course content will include skills in conceptualizing dynamic versus static suicide risk factors, legal and ethical considerations, documentation, and others. This course fulfills the BOP-California suicide requirement for psychologists.

Evaluations for High Stakes Sentencing: Capital and Juvenile Murder Cases (August 23-24) presented by Dr. Mark Cunningham. <a href="https://www.concept-ce.com/product/august-23-24-evaluations-for-high-stakes-sentencing-capital-and-juvenile-murder-cases/">https://www.concept-ce.com/product/august-23-24-evaluations-for-high-stakes-sentencing-capital-and-juvenile-murder-cases/</a>
Landmark U.S. Supreme Court cases such as Woodson, Jurek, Atkins, and Miller mandated individualized sentencing when the death penalty is sought or a defendant is facing a life-without-parole for an offense committed as a juvenile. Mental health professionals are routinely called upon to assist in illuminating the associated considerations of moral culpability and specific deterrence. The workshop is divided into four modules, each focusing on a high-stakes sentencing context or issue: 1. Evaluation for capital mitigation; 2. Capital violence risk assessment for prison; 3. Evaluation of intellectual disability; and 4. Evaluation in juvenile murder.

Evaluation for Workplace Disability (August 23-24) presented by Dr. Lisa Drago Piechowski. https://www.concept-ce.com/product/august-23-24-evaluation-for-workplace-disabilityevaluation/

This workshop provides a conceptual framework and practical strategies for forensic evaluations in matters involving disability status such as ADA, disability insurance, and social security.

These workshops are eligible for Continuing Education credit by APA, CPA, ASWB, and NBCC. For a complete listing of board approvals https://www.concept-ce.com/board-approvals/

For more information on the Summer Training Institute 2018, visit the information page.

## About CONCEPT (http://www.concept-ce.com/)

Consolidated Continuing Education & Professional Training (CONCEPT) provides expert professional training in areas relevant to criminal and civil forensic mental health assessment, corrections, law enforcement, and forensic intervention. Our goal is to provide premium professional training in an accessible online format. CONCEPT is dedicated to providing worldclass professional training, enhanced by continuing education and lifelong learning, in an online format accessible to all.

# About Palo Alto University (<a href="https://www.paloaltou.edu/about">https://www.paloaltou.edu/about</a>)

Palo Alto University (PAU) is a private, nonprofit educational institution, founded in 1975 as the Pacific Graduate School of Psychology (PGSP), an independent, professional school. PGSP was first accredited in 1986 by the regional accrediting body, the Western Association of Schools and Colleges. It has been continuously accredited since then. PGSP re-incorporated as Palo Alto University in August 2009. PAU is dedicated to education with an emphasis in the behavioral and social sciences; to promoting future innovators and leaders for the benefit of society; to generating knowledge through research and scholarship of the highest level; and to providing services to the community informed by science and scholarship.

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