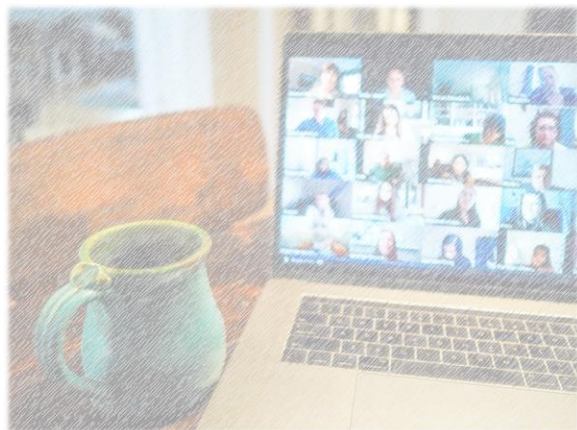




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CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Wednesday April 20th

8:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Opening, Welcome, Announcements

9:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.
Pre-conference workshops #1 – #4

12:15 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.
Lunch & visit virtual exhibitor booths

12:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Pre-conference workshops #1 and #2 continued or #5 & #6

4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.
After hours workshop

Thursday April 21st

8:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Opening, Welcome, Announcements

9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.
Keynote Address – Drew Kingston, PhD

10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
Keynote Address – Meghan Fagundes, PhD

11:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Lunch & visit virtual exhibitor booths

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Workshops #7 - #10

2:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.
Workshops #11 - #14

4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
After hours activities

Friday April 22nd

8:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.
Opening, Welcome, Announcements

9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.
Keynote Address – Tyffani Monford Dent, PsyD

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Workshops #15 - #18

12:00 p.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Lunch & visit virtual exhibitor booths

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Workshops #19 - #22

2:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.
Workshops #23 - #26

3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Closing remarks

All times listed are Central Daylight Time (CDT)

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

MnATSA is dedicated to the promotion of education, research, and professional intervention on sexual abuse issues. The Minnesota chapter is organized to acknowledge and promote the national and international programs of the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers. The 25th Annual MnATSA conference will address treatment, assessment, and supervision issues that arise in working with adolescents and adults who have sexually abused. This conference is for psychologists, social workers, corrections agents, mental health providers, judges, attorneys, sex crimes investigators, polygraph examiners, dispositional advisors, victim advocates, correctional staff, and others who work in these or related fields.

New this year: In addition to adult assessment and treatment, MnATSA has added specific workshops for individuals who assess and treat juveniles and workshops specific to probation staff.

Recordings of workshops and keynotes will be available on-demand following the conference for 30 days. You may only access workshops from the days in which you were registered. The pre-conference workshops STABLE/ACUTE (#1) and PROFESSOR (#2) **will not** be recorded and therefore not available on-demand.

Continuing Education Units

Please note that continuing education units are available only for Keynote Addresses and workshops you attend during the conference.

During the conference, all presenters will be available during their workshop for Q & A to comply with continuing education requirements. Therefore, continuing education units are only available if you are present at the workshop at its scheduled time during the conference. The conference platform keeps a record of when each person logs in and out of a workshop. Participants must attend 85% of a workshop to receive continuing education units. MnATSA will provide the necessary documentation for attendees seeking continuing education units from other states if requested.

MnATSA is pending approval for the following continuing education units:

- Minnesota Board of Psychology
- Minnesota Board of Marriage and Family Therapy
- Minnesota Board of Behavioral Health and Therapy (LPC/LPCC)
- Minnesota Board of Social Work
- Minnesota Continuing Legal Education (CLE)

Planning Your Time at the Conference

Please review this brochure to assist in planning which workshops you may be interested in attending.

Wednesday attendees – divide your day one of two ways:

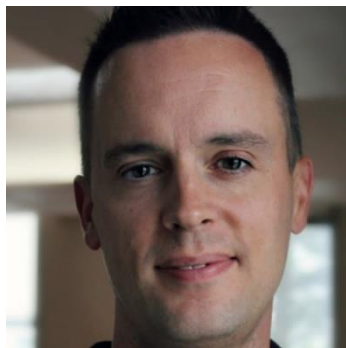
- A. one 6-hour workshop (#1 or #2) **or**
- B. one 3-hour morning workshop (#3 or #4) **and** one 3-hour afternoon workshop (#5 or #6)

Thursday attendees attend both morning Keynote Addresses and then attend two workshops, one from #7 through #10 and one from #11 through #14.

Friday attendees attend the morning Keynote Address and then attend three workshops, one from #15 through #18, one from #19 through #22, and one from #23 through #26

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KEYNOTE ADDRESSES



Drew Kingston, PhD

**HOPE Program and
McMaster University
San Diego, CA**

Current Perspectives on Paraphilic Disorders and Sexual Offending

Paraphilias are generally defined as recurrent and intense sexual interests toward either an atypical target or activity. In DSM-5, paraphilias are considered pathological when the sexual interest causes distress, impairment to self, or results in harm to others. Paraphilic disorders are often seen in forensic and correctional settings and have been viewed as risk relevant and, therefore, an important component of assessment and treatment, particularly among individuals who have committed sexual offences. Despite the relevance of the paraphilias to forensic and correctional work, controversy remains regarding the way in which clinicians should conceptualize atypical sexual interests and how such information should guide our interventions. In this presentation the recent literature will be presented on the conceptualization of paraphilic disorders and the relevance of such interests among individuals who have been convicted of sexual offending. Some directions moving forward will be provided on best practice approaches among individuals with atypical sexual interests.

Incorporating Polyvagal Approaches and the Neurobiology of Trauma in Treatment of Sexually Abusive Individuals

Research shows that sexually abusive individuals experience trauma at higher rates than the general population; however, there is a paucity of research exploring the incorporation of trauma-informed approaches with those who have engaged in sexually abusive behavior. How might our existing approaches to working with this population be overlooking, or worse, exacerbating symptoms related to trauma? In this workshop, we will explore how to incorporate a basic understanding of the neurobiology of trauma and polyvagal theory into practices for individuals with sexually abusive behavior. Some basic knowledge of trauma is required.



Meghan Fagundes, PhD

**Mental Health Systems, Inc./
Positive Psychology, Inc.
San Diego, CA**



Tyffani Monford Dent, PsyD

**Monford Dent Consulting &
Psychological Services, LLC
Maple Heights, OH**

Addressing Race, Power, & Privilege in Our Work: The Struggle Is Real

Our clients, especially those of color, continue to experience the historical trauma associated with slavery and systemic oppression across our nation. As clinicians, it is our responsibility to understand how this dynamic permeates our bias and lens in our work. In this workshop, participants will explore how race, privilege, and power shape and inform beliefs, perceptions, signs, and relationships. Clinicians also will learn how to adopt a framework of cultural humility as they treat clients at their intersections.

Wednesday, April 20, 2022

Full-day Pre-Conference Workshops 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Break 10:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. and 2:15 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

- 1. How to Score, Interpret, and Report STABLE-2007 and ACUTE-2007 Scores:** In this pre-conference workshop, participants will learn how to administer, score, and interpret the Stable-2007 and Acute-2007. The main focus will be on the STABLE-2007 instrument, with more limited ACUTE -2007 discussion. Dynamic prediction tools (Stable-2007 and Acute-2007) can extend the predictive validity of risk assessments beyond static actuarial assessments alone. This workshop is appropriate for anyone who assesses and manages risk, develops treatment plans, or supervises individuals with sex offense histories, whether incarcerated or residing in the community.

Presenter: Brian Heinsohn, MA

Minnesota Department of Corrections, St. Paul, MN

- 2. FULL – please indicate on registration form if you'd like to be added to the waiting list. Introduction to the PROFESSOR (Protective + Risk Observations For Eliminating Sexual Offense Recidivism):** Following an outline of the rationale for the development of a new tool and approach, the focus of this workshop will be to introduce participants to the application of the PROFESSOR (Protective + Risk Observations For Eliminating Sexual Offense Recidivism) through the use of numerous examples. The PROFESSOR is a new, experimental checklist designed to identify and summarize protective and risk factors for adolescents and emerging adults who have offended sexually (i.e., those aged 12 to 25). Whereas most risk assessment tools that are currently in use in the field were intended to predict the future, the PROFESSOR is designed to assist with planning interventions that can help individuals to enhance their capacity for sexual and relationship health and, thus, eliminate sexual recidivism. We will conclude the workshop with a brief overview of some tips and techniques for helping clients to talk about difficult issues.
This full day workshop is continued in the afternoon until 5:00 p.m. Limited to 60 participants.

Presenter: James Worling, PhD

Private Practice, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Morning Half-day Pre-Conference Workshops 9:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

Break 10:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.

- 3. Supervising the Next Generation of Sex Offenders:** This workshop is designed to assist probation officers in the supervision of individuals who commit sexual offenses. During the workshop, participants will be introduced to current research on offense motivations, risk assessment, including static and dynamic risk factors, and best practices for the management of individuals who commit sexual offenses. Special attention will be paid to the realities and challenges of sex offenders in the online world who have access to cell phones, tablets, gaming systems and social media. The presenters will discuss interventions/techniques such as an Internet Safety Plan that can aid in supervision and treatment.

Presenters: Richmond Parsons, MA

*RAN Customized Training and Consulting, LLC
Douglassville, PA*

Nicholas Honyara, MS

*RAN Customized Training and Consulting, LLC
Douglassville, PA*

- 4. Targeting Dynamic Risk Factors in Treatment: Beyond the Workbook:** Thornton's Theory of Dynamic Risk (TDR; 2016) provides a framework for understanding the development of unhealthy decision making, the ways treatment can support improvement, and using core values to build pro-social options for gratifying needs. Change in dynamic risk factors is a significant contributor to risk reduction (Olver, et al., 2014). While awareness of dynamic risk appears to contribute to risk reduction in treatment, there is limited practical guidance regarding how to target dynamic risk factors. This workshop will present practical suggestions for targeting dynamic risk factors with skills-based therapeutic interventions such as Dialectical Behavior Therapy, Cognitive Processing Therapy, and Acceptance and Commitment Therapy as supplements to sex offense-specific treatment.

Presenter: Bud C. Ballinger III, PhD

*New York State Office of Mental Health, Secure
Treatment and Rehabilitation Center (STARC)
Hamilton, NY*

Wednesday, April 20, 2022 (continued)

Afternoon Half-day Pre-Conference Workshops 12:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Break 2:15 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

5. **Supervising Technology: Monitoring and Managing Offender Device Usage:** As many crimes are increasingly involving a digital or online component, supervision officers are being asked more than ever to monitor, track and control an offender's technology. Yet few trainings available to officers adequately address the current digital environment and instill the knowledge and confidence needed to perform the requested tasks. This training will focus on providing officers with a necessary understanding of which digital platforms present the greatest threats with regards to illicit and illegal activity. As well, we'll discuss and provide live examples of how to search mobile devices and best understand the role and technologies available via remote monitoring products.

Presenter: Phillip Danford, MS
IPPC Technologies, King of Prussia, PA

6. **Applying the EMDR Therapy Offense Driver Model for Individuals Who Have Sexually Offended:** The pathways model defines the etiology of sexual perpetration. These pathways of emotional dysregulation, intimacy deficits, deviant sexual preferences, distorted sexual scripts, and antisocial attitudes are often born by developmental ruptures which forge maladaptive attitudes, beliefs, and behaviors. The adaptive information processing model inherent in EMDR therapy is theorized to reorganize the maladaptively stored clustering of cognitions and emotions related to these adverse developmental events and link them to adaptive resources. The offense driver model considers five (5) extant models of sex offender theory. It aims to guide and inform EMDR therapy with individuals who have sexually offended to help ensure relevant targets are addressed. The appropriate selection and application of negative cognitions and cognitive interweaves to avoid affirming offense drivers will be described.

Presenters: Ronald Ricci, PhD
Radford Counseling Group, LLC, Abingdon, VA

Cheryl Clayton, LCSW,
Radford Counseling Group, LLC, Abingdon, VA

After-hours Workshop 4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

“How Do You Do That?”: Curiosity, Reflection, Dialogue, & Model Building in Scholarly Development:

MnATSA conference attendees have a wealth of experience that they want to share and that can contribute to the knowledge base for treating sex abusers and victims. However, many are unfamiliar with how to publish their works. In this presentation, Dave Swenson will present what he has learned over his 50 years in the field about writing and publishing. He will describe his journey and present writing strategy and models that he has developed over the years. Dave has supervised over 500 master's research theses and has over 100 publications including a book, *Stress Management for Law Enforcement Officers*, and recent publication of the largest national study conducted with judges: *Stress and Resiliency in the US Judiciary*.

Presenter: David X. Swenson, PhD
College of St. Scholastica, Duluth, MN

Thursday, April 21, 2022

Keynote Address 9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Current Perspectives on Paraphilic Disorders and Sexual Offending

Drew Kingston, PhD, Hope Program and McMaster University, San Diego, CA

Keynote Address 10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Incorporating Polyvagal Approaches and the Neurobiology of Trauma in Treatment of Sexually Abusive Individuals

Meghan Fagundes, PhD, Mental Health Systems, Inc./Positive Psychology, Inc., San Diego, CA

Workshops #7 - #10 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

7. How to Treat an Adolescent Who Has Engaged in Sexually Harmful Behavior in 90 Minutes:

The presentation will address best practices in areas of youth who have engaged in sexual behaviors. Taking note from the ATSA Adolescent Guidelines (2017), we will look at best practice for assessment, treatment, safety planning, clarification, and reunification. We will cover this all in 90 minutes with the focus on working with adolescents. Bring your questions as we will be interactively talking about the matters!

Presenter: Amanda Pryor, MSW
IN-AJSOP, Indianapolis, IN

8. Current Perspectives on the Assessment and Treatment of Compulsive Sexual Behavior

Disorder: Hypersexuality is defined as a stronger than usual urge to have sexual activity. Researchers and clinicians remain largely divided on whether hypersexuality is a central feature of a distinct diagnostic disorder or whether it simply reflects normative, albeit high, sexual drive. The proposed disorder underscores a number of features, such as non-paraphilic hypersexuality, loss of control over sexual behavior, the use of sex in response to dysphoric mood, and the continuation of sexual behavior despite adverse consequences. Although Hypersexual Disorder was rejected for inclusion in DSM-5, Compulsive Sexual Behavior Disorder was incorporated as an impulse-control disorder in ICD-11. Despite the continued controversy, non-paraphilic hypersexual behavior continues to be an important clinical construct. In this workshop, we discuss the overarching construct of Compulsive Sexual Behavior Disorder, its place in current nosology, as well as specified problems, ranging from global issues about its core theoretical conceptualization to specific issues about the content and structure of the scales used to measure it. Considerable focus will be spent on effective assessment and treatment of individuals presenting with hypersexuality and will include a new structured, evidence-informed approach to treatment.

Presenters: Drew Kingston, PhD
*HOPE Program and McMaster University
San Diego, CA*

Liam Marshall, PhD
*Waypoint Center for Mental Health Care
Penetanguishene, Ontario*

Thursday, April 21, 2022 (continued)

9. Sexual Wellbeing: Why It Matters for Individuals Who Commit Sexual Offenses or Cause Harm:

In the absence of comprehensive materials on sexual wellbeing for individuals in our care, clinicians often focus solely on the prevention of future harm. Many clinicians experience discomfort trying to talk about sexual health from a healthy, consensual, and pleasure-focused perspective. Previous models have offered useful approaches (Dailey, 1981; Badger, 2012). Current research on sexual wellness (Mitchell et al., 2021) has provided new approaches regarding sexual wellbeing including sexual health, sexual pleasure, and sexual justice. In this upbeat and positive workshop, participants walk away with useful tools for enhancing their clinical and administrative practice.

Presenter: Jane Fleishman, PhD
Speaking of, LLC, Northampton, MA

10. Substance Use and Trauma Among Individuals Who Sexually Offend: Relevant Research and Treatment Considerations:

The purpose of this presentation is to illuminate the ways in which mental health and substance use are linked with offense behavior. Specifically, relevant research and treatment considerations will be presented regarding the interplay of substance use and trauma among those who have committed sexual offenses. While trauma and substance use are not excuses for offense behavior, these contextual factors need to be addressed in evaluations and attended to in treatment.

Presenters: Natalie Drozda, PhD
Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania
Slippery Rock, PA

Workshops #11 - #14 2:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m

11. Adolescent Sex Offender Treatment is Not a Game, Or Could it Be?: Apex. Halo. Minecraft. Fortnite. LoL. GTA. WoW. Roblox. According to a Pew Research study in 2018, an estimated 90% of 13-17-year-old adolescents play video games on their computer, gaming console, or cell phone. Chances are the adolescents you treat for problematic sexual behavior play some form of a video game. While previous workshops have highlighted the risks and dangers of teen-gaming, this workshop will focus on how gaming can be a positive addition to the treatment for adolescents who commit sexual offenses. Gaming provides a positive leisure activity, helps develop problem solving skills, improves patience and resilience, and creates a positive social network – all risk mitigating factors. This workshop will offer practical techniques that both gaming and non-gaming therapists can incorporate into their treatment plans with adolescents who commit sexual offenses. Workshop participants will learn how gaming can become a healthy addition to traditional treatment, rather than something to be avoided. The latest trends in therapeutic gaming will be discussed, including the risks and benefits of directly gaming with your adolescent clients. This workshop will provide thought-provoking, practical ideas for incorporating gaming into the treatment for adolescents who commit sexual offenses.

Presenters: Stephen Kuniak, PhD
Lock Haven University, Lock Haven, PA

David Delmonico, PhD
Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, PA

12. Inclusive and Affirming Practices for LGBTQIA+ Individuals: Non-affirming therapeutic approaches have the potential to cause significant psychological harm to LGBTQIA+ clients, and even well-intentioned practitioners may be overlooking opportunities to create a more inclusive and affirming practice. Are there questions you have about working with LGBTQIA+ individuals that you have been afraid to ask, or are not sure where to find answers? This workshop will provide an opportunity for discussion and a basic overview for those looking to ensure the therapeutic environment is a safe place for their LGBTQIA+ clients.

Presenter: Meghan Fagundes, PhD
Mental Health Systems, Inc./Positive Psychology, Inc.
San Diego, CA

Thursday, April 21, 2022 (continued)

- 13. Can Sex Offense-Specific Treatment be Sex Positive?:** Sex positivity has been described as having open and nonjudgmental attitudes toward sex and sexual expression. As the field of sex offense-specific treatment has been, by necessity, focused on harmful sexual behavior, there is room for growth in the ways that we think and talk about non-offending sexual behavior and sexual expression. This workshop will provide a basic overview of sex positivity and ideas about how exploring our own beliefs and biases about sex can allow us to approach discussions with a supportive and nonjudgmental perspective that can provide safety for clients to openly share.

Presenter: Bud C. Ballinger III, PhD
New York State Office of Mental Health,
Secure Treatment and Rehabilitation Center (STARC)
Hamilton, NY

- 14. Does Religion Belong in Sex Offender Treatment?** Does Religion belong in sex offender treatment? Do clients hide their offense-related beliefs behind religiosity? We will discuss the inclusion of religion and spirituality within sex offender treatment and the ways in which they can be both helpful and harmful. In this presentation we will share statistics on religion in sex offending; explore treatment incorporating STABLE factors; how spirituality ties into CBT; the role of the Good Lives Model; religious affiliation as a responsivity issue; and how to manage expectations stakeholders may have when considering the role of spirituality in treatment effectiveness.

Presenters: Stefanie Hofman, MS
NewPath Mental Health Services
Golden Valley, MN

Catherine Hutchinson, MS
NewPath Mental Health Services
Golden Valley, MN

Friday, April 22, 2022

Keynote Address 9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Addressing Race, Power, & Privilege in Our Work: The Struggle Is Real

Tyffani Monford Dent, PsyD, Monford Dent Consulting & Psychological Services, LLC, Maple Heights, OH

Workshops #15 - #18 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

- 15. Adolescents Who Cause Sexual Harm:** Adolescents who cause sexual harm (AWCSH) are an under-researched and misunderstood segment of our client population. For example, adolescents are very different from adults (ACWSH) and are much more than the “worst thing ever happened to them.” In this workshop, clinicians will address the myths and commonly misheld beliefs associated with treating adolescents who cause sexual harm. Clinicians also will explore the needs of AWCSH and styles and models of effective treatment: Cognitive-behavioral treatment (including trauma-based), Skill-building (including healthy sexual expression), Family engagement, and System collaboration.

Presenter: Tyffani Monford Dent, PsyD
Monford Dent Consulting & Psychological Services, LLC
Maple Heights, OH

Friday, April 22, 2022 (continued)

- 16. A Deep Dive into the “Highly Likely” SDP/SPP Sea:** This workshop will discuss the continuum of risk and the “Highly Likely” portion of the SDP/SPP commitment statute. The presenters will outline dynamics of psychological issues as they relate to the legal realities in these cases. Case studies will be utilized which highlight these nuances. This workshop will assist clinicians, evaluators, and attorneys to conceptualize these matters and understand the role of each party. Time will be allotted for questions and comments.

Presenters: Amber Lindeman, PysD
Vantage Point Psychological Consultants
Burnsville, MN

Tim Carey, JD
Ramsey County Attorney’s Office
St. Paul, MN

- 17. Healing in Community: The Forgotten Step:** Gilead Project offers a restorative justice approach to sexual abuse. Sexual abuse affects many people: direct victims, secondary victims (family and friends of victims), the general community, and offenders. Healing the total effects of sexual abuse and preventing sexual abuse requires a system-wide approach. This workshop will highlight the restorative justice aspects of the Uncommon Conversation process and assist workshop participants in understanding how the Uncommon Conversation model can be applied to their work with individuals who sexually harm.

Presenters: Susan Pavlak,
Gilead Project, St. Paul, MN

Gil Gustafson, MA
Gilead Project, St. Paul, MN

- 18. Partners in crime: How Probation and Treatment Providers Can Work Together:** Treatment providers and probation officers come from different backgrounds and have different perspectives about what is best for a client. This presentation will review the job each party has, the responsibilities to the client, and how the two individuals can come together as a team to give their client the best chance at success.

Presenters: Ronda Disch, MA
Alpha Emergence Behavioral Health, Minneapolis, MN

Tracy Dillard, BA
Washington County Probation, Stillwater, MN

Workshops #19 - #22 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

- 19. Working with Children with Sexual Behavior Problems and Their Families:** Sexuality begins at birth and as children grow, it is normal to have some curiosity about their own bodies and the bodies of others. A variety of circumstances and traumatic experiences can complicate child sexual development. How adults and professionals respond can make the difference in helping children and youth get back on track or further confuse them. In this workshop, we will discuss some of the ways this occurs and describe trauma informed and family therapy as intervention for children and adolescents.

Presenters: Ashley Wentzel, MA
Skipped Parts, LLC, Rochester, MN

Andretta Ward, MA
Skipped Parts, LLC, Rochester, MN

Marie Grace, MA,
Skipped Parts, LLC, Rochester, MN

Friday, April 22, 2022 (continued)

- 20. Tales from Outside the Perimeter: Preparing Provisionally Discharged Sex Offenders to Live in the Community:** The Minnesota Sex Offender Program (MSOP) is the civil commitment program in Minnesota, which is one of 20 states that have civil commitment programs. Individuals who are civilly committed can petition the courts for an increase in liberty; Transfer, Provisional Discharge (PD) and Full Discharge. This workshop will provide an overview of treatment for clients who are transferred to Community Preparation Services (CPS) as well as a description of MSOP's reintegration services for clients residing in the community. To date, 21 PD clients have participated in an ongoing program evaluation interview to provide their insights on how CPS programming has prepared them to re-enter the community. Common themes from the responses to these interviews will be presented along with the implications for helping transition client re-entry into the community.

Presenters: Melinda Ward, MA
Minnesota Sex Offender Program, St. Paul, MN

Paul Rodriguez, MA
Minnesota Sex Offender Program, St. Paul, MN

Scott Halvorson, BS
Minnesota Sex Offender Program, St. Paul, MN

- 21. Human Trafficking: Understanding Sex and Labor Trafficking:** This workshop addresses both sex and labor trafficking with a particular focus on sex trafficking. Topics covered include: the anti-trafficking legal framework, the prevalence of trafficking, red flags and indicators to identifying victims of trafficking and resources available to victims. Special attention will be paid to the intersections of human trafficking, sex trafficking, and intimate partner violence.

Presenter: Eva Chavez
Safe Horizon Anti-Trafficking Program
Brooklyn, NY

- 22. Responsivity- The Forgotten "R": The Key to Effective Clinical Work & Therapeutic Vision:** Even in the Risk-Needs-Responsivity (RNR) world, responsivity often languishes due to a lack of creativity and the means to adapt to the unique needs and psychologies of clients, who are often trapped in their own hells, lacking language and vision. It is our mission to make vital contact with our clients and assist them in reaching new ground. Providing seasoned and broad-spectrum responsivity skills to our clients is providing them with VIP (Vision, Intimacy, Play) treatment. The workshop will explore principles and parameters of a broadened responsivity to assist in establishing a resilient and adaptive treatment structure for ongoing clinical work. *Albert Einstein: "The intuitive mind is a sacred gift and the rational mind is a faithful servant. We have created a society that honors the servant and has forgotten the gift."*

Presenter: Jerry Fjerkenstad, MA
Hermes' Web, LTD, Minneapolis, MN

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Workshops #23 - #26 2:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

23. Juvenile Psychopathy: Development, Assessment, Treatment and Testimony: Persons with high psychopathic features tend to have persistent contacts with criminal justice and often present problem behaviors throughout their lifespan. Research shows that there are early indicators of psychopathic features referred to in youth as “callous-unemotional traits.” Precursors of these can sometimes be identified quite early and include evidence of genetic influences, poor attachment, impaired neurological functioning, traumatic abuse, and neglect. This program will describe developmental markers and pathways, subtypes of psychopathy, stability of behavior over time, and effectiveness of new treatment approaches. Recent advances in assessment and court testimony strategy will also be discussed.

Presenters: *David Swenson, PhD*
College of St. Scholastica, Duluth, MN

Gerald Henkel-Johnson, PsyD
College of St. Scholastica, Duluth, MN

24. Ethical, Competent, and Credible Forensic Mental Health Testimony: Expert witnesses play a vital role in our legal system. Mental health professionals offering expert testimony serve an especially important role because they provide specialized information necessary for judicious decision-making. However, competent expert witness testimony starts before ever entering the courtroom. This workshop will focus on the ethics of forensic report writing and practice, the role of an expert witness, an overview of the factors and elements related to credible and competent testimony, and will provide recommendations for those working within this psycho-legal setting.

Presenter: *Lauren Herbert, PsyD*
Minnesota Department of Human Services
Moose Lake, MN

25. Addressing Gender Based Violence in Tribal Communities: This session will present information about gender-based violence against Indigenous people, including sexual violence, sex trafficking, and the intersections with missing and murdered Indigenous women. Statistical data will be provided, as well as historical and factual data about tribes in Minnesota, and the impact of colonization as it relates to the above issues.

Presenter: *Nicole Matthews, BS*
Minnesota Indian Women's Sexual Assault Coalition
St. Paul, MN

26. Unzipping Sexual Interest and Arousal: The Role of the PPG and Sexual Interest Testing In Evaluations, Treatment, and Supervision: This workshop will provide an updated overview of the penile plethysmograph (PPG) and sexual interest testing including a review of the literature and the research behind these assessments. The presenter will discuss how information from these assessments can be useful for both evaluation, treatment, and supervision purposes. The limitations of these assessments will also be discussed. Special attention will be paid to discussing the appropriateness of a client referral for the PPG and/or sexual interest testing. Information on discussing these assessments with clients will also be discussed.

Presenter: *Elizabeth Griffin, MA*
Internet Behavior Consulting, LLC
St. Louis Park, MN

Registration Information

The registration fee includes registrant's attendance at that day's conference workshop and allows the attendee to download and view pre-recorded workshops which were given on the day you are registered for 30 days post-conference.

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Payment Options

Credit Card Payment: Credit card payments are processed through PayPal at the time of registration. Note: often **government credit cards** have a restriction which must be temporarily lifted by the finance department before you register. Please contact your business manager before registering so your card can be authorized for use with PayPal. Your business manager will then lift this ban for a specified time period. Note: this will only be for a few hours, so you need to coordinate this.

Check Payment: Send a check with your name clearly identified to: MnATSA, P.O. Box 221, Lake Elmo, MN, 55042-0221. The check must be received within five days of registration.

Split Payments: If your employer is paying a portion of the registration, you will enter the dollar amount they are paying in the labeled box on the registration site along with the email address of where the invoice should be sent. The registration system will then calculate the portion you owe and you can pay your portion with either PayPal/credit card or check. MnATSA will then invoice your employer for their portion owed.

Invoice Payment: If your employer needs to be invoiced for your entire registration cost, enter the dollar amount in the "Amount to invoice to employer" and enter the email address where the invoice should be sent.

Register for the conference online at:

www.mnatsa.org/conference

Cancellation or Changes to Your Registration

Notice of cancellation or changes to your registration must be provided by **5:00 p.m. CDT on April 12, 2022**, to receive a refund. No refunds or cancellations are offered after April 12, 2022; however, registration is transferable through April 18, 2022. For a cancellation or transfer, send an e-mail to 4mnatsa@gmail.com. If you have not cancelled by April 12, 2022 and you do not attend the conference, you will still be billed and will owe the full amount.



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Be an **Exhibitor!**

Increase awareness of your business or organization with professionals who need to know about you. Identify yourself as a key resource, leader, and supporter.

Have a virtual booth at the conference and your website linked to the MnATSA website.

Contact 4mnatsa@gmail.com for more information or www.mnatsa.org for an application.

Exhibitor Information

An exhibitor will have a virtual booth during the conference on the Whova platform and their website will be linked from the MnATSA website for a year. The fee is \$125.00. **Application deadline is March 22, 2022.**

Exhibitor virtual booths will be open for participants to visit 24 hours a day during the conference. Conference attendees will be able to send you messages, download your materials, register for raffles, etc. We will gladly help you set up your virtual booth and provide you additional tips and tricks. Conference attendees will need to visit all the exhibitors' virtual booths in order to be entered into the drawing for a free registration for the 2023 MnATSA conference.