Come join us for three full days of lectures, symposia, and interactive workshops, and leave with new knowledge and skills. There will be many opportunities for networking, seeing old friends, and getting to know new ones.

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Conference Overview

The conference will address questions such as: How is culture transmitted by the family? How does family treatment improve options and outcomes? How do important social changes, such as mass migration, war, and poverty, affect family and individual health? Do a cultural/community framework and effective family inclusion in care enhance clinical outcomes and reduce health care disparities?

Topics include, but are not limited to:
- Families, culture, and resilience
- Trauma and the family
- Family-centered care for refugees, asylum seekers, and immigrant communities
- Evolving concepts of family
- Training in family therapy and culture
- The convergence of family psychiatry and cultural psychiatry
- Current perspectives on acculturation and family dynamics
- Workshops on how to use the Cultural Formulation Interview (CFI) and the genogram in clinical practice
- Cultural variations in families caring for their chronically ill family members.
- Multifamily groups for traumatized families

Each day begins with a special plenary session. On Day One we note the absence of family studies in the global mental health movement and our experienced presenters (diNicolo, Song, and Griffith) focus on suggestions to fill this gap. On Day Two Celia Falkov presents her widely recognized research on separated or “transnational” families and the clinical model she has developed for working with them. On Day Three we explore the rapidly changing world of gender nonconforming children, the “gender spectrum,” and how families interact with this new cultural identity. Speakers include the mother of a transgender child (Hyde), a child therapist specializing in family work with LGBTQ children (Angello), and a sociologist in gender studies discussing 50+ years of medical and mental health attention to gender nonconforming children (Bryant).

Overall Learning Objectives

After attending this meeting, participants will be able to:
1. Identify cultural variations in the definition, composition, and dynamics of families and how this variation affects the mental health of their members, their interpretations of mental illness, and the process of help-seeking, and evaluate mentally ill individuals in minority, transnational and culturally diverse families.
2. Integrate family assessment into the practice of cultural psychiatry and global mental health, including the use of family-focused interview instruments.
3. Describe how families from different cultural traditions adapt differently to major mental illness, changes in gender roles and/or in gender identity, and other complex behavioral and psychological processes in their members.
4. Discuss the effects of the current refugee crisis on immigrant and host families, and the family’s process of adaptation over time.

Accreditation

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of the Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University and the Society for the Study of Psychiatry and Culture. The Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Credit Designation

Physicians: The Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University designates this live activity for a maximum of 22 AMA PRA Category 1 CreditsTM. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

More Information:

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Start date: 4/25/17
End date: 4/30/17
Last day to book: 4/4/17
Special group rate: 144.00 USD per night

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