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**Spring 2010 Workshops**

Loss and Traumatic Stress, Child Sexual Abuse Treatment,  
 and Early Childhood Mental Health Treatment Series



**Relearning the World after Loss  
 and Trauma: Foundations for a  
 Loss-Informed Practice**

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Friday, April 23rd, 2010 9:00am-4:00pm  
 University Center | Webb Room  
 LT Foundation | CSA Elective | 6 CE Credits



**Workshop Description**

This workshop will arm participants with perspectives and tools to create a loss- and trauma-informed approach to clinical work. Whether one chooses to specialize in these areas or not, all clinicians need a working knowledge about the human response to loss and trauma, given their common occurrence and potential to impact lives dramatically. Participants will be challenged to broaden their perspectives on what loss is as they explore major types of loss, tasks of grieving, disenfranchised grief, the connections between loss and trauma, and major theoretical perspectives on trauma and loss.

This is the Mandatory Foundations workshop for the Loss and Traumatic Stress Certificate Program and applies as an elective to the Child Sexual Abuse Certificate Program.\* Participants do not need to be enrolled in a certificate program to attend this workshop.



**Objectives**

Participation in this program will enable you to:

- Classify major types of loss and explore how American society tends to respond to them.
- Identify the key tasks facing individuals who experience loss.
- Understand disenfranchised grief and conditions under which it is likely to occur.
- Define traumatic stress and examine its connection to loss and grief.
- Debunk common misconceptions about human response to loss and trauma.
- Incorporate basic screening tools for enhancing a loss- and trauma-informed approach to practice.

6 CE credits will be offered to participants completing post-workshop forms. Widener University, The Institute for Graduate Clinical Psychology, is approved by the American Psychological Association to offer continuing education for psychologists. Widener University Maintains responsibility for the program. Widener University, The Center for Social Work Education, is approved by the Pennsylvania State Board of Social Work Examiners to offer continuing education for social workers.

LT = Applies to the Loss and Traumatic Stress Certificate Program  
 CSA = Applies to the Child Sexual Abuse Treatment Certificate Program  
 ECMH = Applies to the Early Childhood Mental Health Certificate Program

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\*Note: Mandatory/Core Knowledge workshops from one certificate program cannot be applied to another certificate program. Electives can be credited towards both the LT and CSA certificates, provided they are designated as applying to both.

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