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CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPISTS - INLAND EMPIRE CHAPTER



CHAPTER MEETING

Friday, February 28, 2014

WHAT DOES THE LAW EXPECT OF ME? PART I

Peatured Speaker CAMFT Staff Attorney

Dave Jensen, J.D.



Dave Jensen has been Staff Attorney with CAMFT since April 2002. Dave graduated from Brigham Young University with a Bachelor's Degree in History, and he received his law degree from the Thomas Jefferson School of Law in San Diego, California. As an attorney with CAMFT, he consults with CAMFT's members regarding their legal and ethical dilemmas, and he is a regular contributor to The Therapist magazine. Dave gives numerous chapter, school and agency law & ethics presentations and has developed What Does the Law Expect of Me? Parts I, II, III and IV.

FEBRUARY LAW & ETHICS WORKSHOP TIME & LOCATION

What Does the Law Expect of Me? Part I 8:30am – 4:30pm Program begins at 9:00am. Ontario Airport Hotel

700 N. Haven Ave. Ontario, CA 91764

Hotel Phone: (909) 980-0400

*Lunch is on your own – Hotel restaurant on-site

as well as lots of nearby restaurants

Click Here to Register Map

Attendees will acquire an in depth understanding of:

- what the law says regarding a therapist's obligation to be a competent practitioner;
- the importance of properly assessing and diagnosing your patients;
 - •the right to privacy;
 - confidentiality and privilege;
 - patients dangerous to themselves;
 - patients dangerous to others;
 - •and dual relationships.

IE-CAMFT members: \$55.00 CAMFT members: \$75.00 Non IE-CAMFT members: \$100.00.

Note: Promptness is urged and presence is required during the entire presentation to earn your 6 CEUs.

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"PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE"

DOREEN VAN LEEUWEN

Therapy Is Hard Work!

Ever have one of those days? You know the kind, when at the end of it, you look back, and even though you were "busy" all day, it feels like just you didn't get anything done! Whatever you did do, took two, even three times as long as you planned for. Perhaps you struggled through lingering paperwork, only to discover another stack you'd forgotten. Yuck.

Or you called that insurance company to follow up on that denied claim, and sure enough, after following all the prompts, your call was met with that infernal message, "This office is closed now. We are open Monday through Friday..." Darn.

The clients you have been working with for months, nursing along baby steps of change, have a major setback, and you just feel **so** tired. Sigh.

Or you have a nice full schedule, then one person cancels, another no shows, another doesn't have the insurance information figured out, so while there is always more paperwork to do in those empty spots, you're frustrated with the sudden loss of income.

I get it. Those less than pleasant, maybe even unwelcome days that try your patience, and leave you feeling depleted, crabby and questioning why you are doing this after all?!

What do **you** do when you find yourself in one of those slumps? How do you care for yourself when your thoughts and mood head for the swamp? Are there some tools, techniques, activities, or thought patterns you have found useful and helpful to get yourself back on the rails?

I'd *love* to hear your methods of self-care and regeneration. Send your suggestions to me at <u>Doreen@abetterwaycenter.com</u>. I will compile them in next month's President's Message.

Doreen Van Leeuwen, LMFT

IE-CAMFT MISSION STATEMENT:

We are professional visionaries dedicated to providing training, networking, and advocacy for Marriage and Family Therapists to promote healthy individual, and couple and family relationships.



At our last IE CAMFT meeting . . . by Janell Gagnon

At our January IE CAMFT meeting, we had the pleasure of learning how to properly assess step-families in treatment from Cecile Dillon, Ph.D., a licensed clinical psychologist and marriage and family therapist, practicing in Huntington Beach and Orange County for over 30 years. The following article is a brief summation of the useful information in Dr. Dillon's great presentation, from which we gained a comprehensive understanding of how to assess stepfamilies by utilizing the assessment tools she provided.

Since divorce, separation and re-partnering are the norm for many of the families with which we work as MFT's, it is important to understand how to properly assess them to better guide our treatment with these families. In fact, Cecile informed us that:

- More than 50% of divorced parents form stepfamilies.
- More than 50% of remarriages end in divorce.
- More than 25% of all stepfamilies break down in the 1st year.

When assessing stepfamilies, there are 2 major questions to first ask yourself to guide your assessment. The first question is who to assess. This can range from individual family members, to all household members. Second, you need to ask yourself what factors to consider. Cecile did a great job of breaking this question down into five major categories: 1) stages of the stepfamily integration, 2) locus of major difficulties and problems, 3) psychopathology of individual members, 4) ages of the children, and 5) comfort of the therapist.

There are 3 **Stages of Integration:** early, middle and later. The early stages of integration are characterized by initial contact of 2 family systems. The middle stages of integration are characterized by

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structuring of the new family system. And the later stages of integration are characterized by solidifying the new system. It's important to figure out in what stage of integration the family is in order to figure out how to treat them and which members need to be treated.

Assessing the **psychopathology of individual family members** is important because when there is a member of the family who is suffering from a serious mental illness, the usual difficulties can be magnified due to the added structural and emotional complexity this causes. It may be necessary to refer an individual family member out to deal with the specific problems caused by the mental illness while working with the rest of the family.

The **ages of the children** in the family are important because age generally dictates whether or not they need to be involved in treatment. In general, Cecile makes the point that younger children do not necessarily need to be involved in the treatment process because they are more dependent upon the parents, so changes made by the parents tends to influence the children more. Thus, working only with the parents can bring about the changes in the children without their participating in treatment. Children in the latency age (about 6-12 years old), have more of an idea and opinion about how the family should operate, and for this reason may need to be included in treatment, depending on the specific situation. In general, adolescent family members should be involved in treatment if the situation directly involves them because they tend to have more of an influence on how things operate in the family.

Identifying the **locus of major difficulties and problems** is crucial to guiding treatment. It is important to distinguish which problems result from the "step" family vs. problems which existed prior to the formation of the step-family. Some of the following questions will probably need to be asked in order to identify the locus of major difficulties: What are the stepfamily structural and relational processes? Are there any changes and what are the changes for the children? Are there any unrealistic beliefs/expectations, and what are they? Are there any life cycle discrepancies? What are the loyalty conflicts? Are there any boundary problems and if so, what are they? What are the household roles and where does the power lie? The answers to these questions will guide who needs to be involved in treatment and what interventions need to be utilized in treatment.

THERAPIST DIRECTORY AWAITING PARTICIPANTS!

Build referrals and network with your free personalized listing on www.ie-camft.org!

We now have a therapist directory on the new website but we need members to log on and take a look at their profiles to make sure information is accurate and complete before we go public. We have extended the time allotted to do this to March 1 as few members have so far taken advantage of the directory, which will allow potential clients to find you by name, location, or specialty and will allow clients to contact you directly from the website! It is now in the "member only" section so that everyone may adjust her/his privacy settings prior to it going public. I encourage everyone to do this as soon as possible to ensure that there are no errors in your profile and no information that you do not wish to be public and so as not to delay the rest of the membership from using this feature.

Log on and go to your profile in order to view the default privacy settings and adjust them as you like. As a reminder, you may now conveniently join IE-CAMFT, renew your membership, register for events, and pay for membership and events online.

Hope you enjoy the new features! Your Webmistress,

Carol A. Bouldin, LMFT



Welcome New Members

Athena Byrne, Vicki Davio, Wendy Durkee, Kimberly Fanning-Shiles, Lorinda Morreale, Ruth Olson, Lucinda Ribant, Debra Valentine, Crystal Miranda

UPCOMING CHAPTER PROGRAMS AND EVENTS							
DATE	SPEAKER	TOPIC	TIME/LOCATION	COST			
FEBRUARY 2014							
Friday	Dave	Law and Ethics	9:00 a.m. to	See page 1 for registration			
2/28/14	Jensen, JD	Workshop	4:30 p.m.	information			
			Ontario				
			Airport Hotel				
			700 N. Haven				
			Ave, Ontario				
MARCH 2014							
Friday	Rick	"21st Century	8:30 –11 a.m.	IE-CAMFT Members:			
3/28/14	Itzkowich	Networking: A	LLU Behavioral	No Cost			
Monthly Meeting		Powerful Way To	Health	Non-IE-CAMFT Members:			
		Referrals"	Institute	\$10.00			
APRIL 2014							
Friday	Jill Epstein,	"From the Top"	8:30 – 11 a.m.	IE-CAMFT Members:			
4/25/14	JD		LLU Behavioral	No Cost			
Monthly Meeting			Health	Non-IE-CAMFT Members:			
			Institute	\$10.00			

A Message from the Program Chair:

One of the best known ways to build your practice is to get into the community and speak about your expertise. IE-CAMFT is interested in learning new theories, skills, tools, and approaches to treatment. Share your knowledge, experience, and wisdom with us!

We are looking for **presenters** for future IE-CAMFT meetings. We urge you to consider sharing with us.

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Newsletter Notes & Policy WE WELCOME YOUR SUBMISSIONS!!

Please submit newsletter items to Doreen Van Leeuwen: doreen4u2@sbcglobal.net

Deadline for submissions is the first of each month (except July and December when we do not publish a newsletter). The newsletter is e-mailed to all members who have given us email addresses.

Please note that articles submitted will be edited for readability.

Notice Regarding Ads: Free Member ads will run continuously for three consecutive newsletters if not cancelled earlier. After three newsletters they will be discontinued unless a renewal request is received.

DISPLAY AD RATES (per month)

BUSINESS CARD SIZE: MEMBERS: \$10 NON-MEMBERS: \$20

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For your \$40 yearly investment you can:

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- ✓ Receive 2 FREE CEUs at Each of 9 Monthly Meetings
- ✓ Attend Special Law and Ethics Meeting with 6
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- ✓ Stay Connected to Other Therapists
- ✓ Advertise in this Newsletter & Website
- ✓ Develop Peer Relations to Reduce Isolation
- ✓ Give and Receive Consultation and Referrals
- ✓ Increase Your Knowledge

Join, renew, update, or register online at: www.ie-camft.org. ◆

Is It Time To Renew Your Chapter Membership?

IE-CAMFT chapter membership is renewed separately from your statewide CAMFT membership and now with the new website, renewal notices are generated automatically! Just click on the link on your invoice in the notification email and pay online for immediate verification of your renewal. Several members are up for renewal this month so be sure to check your inbox or go to your profile on the website and renew your membership!



A Note from the Membership Chair:

I wish to thank all of you who have been renewing their membership and registering for the Law & Ethics workshop and other workshops online. It is a huge help to us as the automated process saves an enormous amount of time, energy, and money. We are also grateful that the newsletter can now be sent out electronically to all but a few members, saving the chapter printing costs, an environmentally sound practice as it allows us to minimize the use of paper and ink, as well as saves time for board and committee members.

We understand that there are some exceptions at times, but the more the electronic system is used, the less the chapter has to spend on related printing, postal, and banking costs and activities. It is also very convenient for members and you receive an immediate electronic record. Please submit member applications and workshop registrations online, even if mailing in a check.

As a courtesy for those who do not have access to the Internet and email, we are including an L&E workshop mail-in registration form (see next page) with the printed newsletter. Just fill out and mail in with your check. Thanks again!



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LAW & ETHICS WORKSHOP MAIL-IN REGISTRATION

(Go Paperless! Registration also available online at www.ie-camft.org)

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FRIDAY, February 28, 2014 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Ontario Airport Hotel, 700 N. Haven Ave, Ontario, CA

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\$55.00 for IE-Chapter members	-	\$	
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Total Amount Enclosed			

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Doreen Van Leeuwen, LMFT and Cheryl Ballou, PsyD are facilitating a pro bono consultation group on the first Sunday of the month from 4:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. We will share relevant and current research, case consultation, and encourage networking and referral opportunities.

The group meets at:

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Corona, California, 92881

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Please park in the front of the building on the address side. When you arrive, please text or call me (951.264.8714) and I will come let you in. You will probably be able to get into the atrium, but I will have to let you into the office itself.

Classified ads are FREE for members and are also posted on our website www.lE-CAMFT.ORG
See page 7 for more details.

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