

The Irish Forum for Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy Presents

Working as a Therapist with Asylum Seekers and Survivors of Torture and Persecution

A Clinical Seminar with Felicity Casserly

Saturday 23 February 2013 @ 10.00 am-1.00 pm

Brandsma Room, Ground Floor

Carmelite Community Centre

56 Aungier Street, Dublin 2

THE SEMINAR

This seminar will discuss some of the different aspects, stresses, tensions and pulls on therapists working with people, most of whom are still undergoing secondary trauma as they manage to live through the Irish asylum process. What is relevant from years of working psychoanalytically in private practice? How do we become affected by it as therapists? In all the enormous sadness and richness of the work, what does it teach us both as and about human beings?

SPEAKER

Felicity Casserly started working as a counsellor in 1979. She joined a study group and then did the St Vincent's psychotherapy course. She was a founding member of the Irish Forum for Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy (IFPP) in 1986, later on the Committee and Chairperson. She was part of the team that set up what is now the Irish Institute of Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy (IIPP) and the MSc in Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy at Trinity College Dublin. She had a private practice from 1982 until 2006 when she closed it to have a change of direction. She began working in Spirasi in 2009 as a sessional therapist. She spent the last fifteen months as acting Therapist Coordinator and has now returned to concentrate on being a therapist there.

SCHEDULE

10.00-10.10	Welcome and Opening Remarks
10.10-11.00	Talk by Felicity Casserly
11.00-11.30	Questions and Discussion
11.30-12.00	Tea and Coffee Break
12.00-13.00	Clinical Discussion Facilitated by Felicity Casserly
13.00	Thanks and Closing Remarks

RECOMMENDED READING

1. Dick Blackwell, 'Holding, Containing and Bearing witness: The Problem of Helpfulness in Encounters with Torture Survivors', *Journal of Social Work Practice* 11.2 (1997): 81-89.

2. Yolanda Gampel, 'Reflections on Countertransference in Psychoanalytic Work with Child Survivors of the Shoah', *The Journal of the American Academy of Psychoanalysis and Dynamic Psychiatry* 26 (1998): 343-368.

IFPP CLINICAL SEMINAR SERIES 2013

The IFPP clinical seminar series offers an opportunity for psychoanalytic psychotherapists, trainees and those from other organisations and related fields (psychiatry, psychology, counselling) working with patients to come together to discuss matters relating to clinical practice. Each seminar features an experienced psychoanalytic psychotherapist or psychoanalyst who will begin by giving a short lecture on her/his clinical work, followed by time for questions and discussion. After a tea and coffee break, delegates will return for an hour-long clinical discussion on the theme of the seminar facilitated by the guest speaker. Each speaker will recommend an article or two on the theme of her/his seminar which will offer an introduction to some of the issues which will be discussed. Articles are available electronically in advance of each seminar, upon receipt of the booking form and registration fee. Each seminar has been awarded CPD points by the psychoanalytic psychotherapy section of the Irish Council for Psychotherapy (ICP).

VENUE

This clinical seminar takes place in the Brandsma Room on the ground floor of the Carmelite Community Centre, 56 Aungier Street, Dublin 2 (next door to the Whitefriar Street Carmelite Church). Delegates can download directions to the venue by putting in a search for 'Carmelite Community Centre, Aungier Street, Dublin 2' at the following site: <http://www.maps.google.ie> Car-park facilities are available in the White Friar Street Car Park at a cost of €2.50 per hour. The Stephen's Green Shopping Centre Car Park is also a short walk away.

TEA AND COFFEE

There is a coffee shop on the ground floor of the Carmelite Community Centre which sells tea, coffee and snacks for a reasonable price.

RECORDING EQUIPMENT

Delegates are not permitted to use recording equipment during seminars.

ORGANISERS

This event is organised by the Irish Forum for Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy (IFPP). Further information about the IFPP can be found here: <http://www.ifpp.org>

UPCOMING EVENTS

Further information about this and other upcoming events organised by the IFPP can be found at <http://www.ifpp.org>

REGISTRATION AND FURTHER INFORMATION

To register, delegates should contact Ann Daly: amdps@indigo.ie

Registration fees for the seminars are as follows:

- €20 full and associate members (IFPP and/or ICP)
- €25 non-members
- €10 students/trainees

Please complete the registration form below and send with your payment. Cheques, postal orders or bank drafts should be made payable to 'The Irish Forum Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy' and posted to Ann Daly, 'Clinical Seminar Series 2011-2012', The Irish Forum for Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy, 73 Quinn's Road, Shankill, County Dublin.

Payment of the registration fee secures a place at the seminar. Include your name and email address as receipt of payment will be confirmed by email.

There are a limited number of places available so early registration is advised

BOOKING FORM

CLINICAL SEMINAR – Working as a Therapist with Asylum Seekers and Survivors of Torture and Persecution

Please complete this form and return to: Ann Daly, 73 Quinn's Road, Shankill, County Dublin. Tel: 01-2722105, Fax: 01-2722111. The appropriate fee must complete this form. Thank you.

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