

# Advanced Ethical Issues: Forensic Psychology

All mental health professionals are familiar with, and should rely on, the Codes of Ethics applicable to their professionals. Some have, in addition, specialty guidelines that apply to certain areas of practice. This webinar will consist of a detailed analysis of the Specialty Guidelines for Forensic Psychology, viewing the similarities to and differences from the generic ethics codes. More specifically, we will look at the definitions of forensic psychology practice, issues of impartiality, conflicts of interest, competence, Informed Consent, and conflicts with legal authorities.

## Target Audience

Psychologists  
Therapists  
Social Workers  
Psychiatrists  
Counselors  
Nurses  
Course level: Intermediate

## Learning Objectives

At the end of this seminar, participants will be able to:

1. Name the differences between ethical standards and guidelines.
2. Identify the proper use and misuse of Forensic Specialty Guidelines.
3. Explain the differences between ethics codes and guidelines regarding competence.
4. Explain the ways one can adhere to codes and standards and meet legal requirements at the same time.
5. Identify the differences in the interpretation of test data in clinical and forensic settings.

## Seminar Schedule

Typically begins at 1PM and ends at 4:15 Eastern time. There is one 15 minute break. However, check the webinar schedule.

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## Outline

Begin 1 PM ET  
Forensic specialty guidelines  
Competency  
Diligence  
Relationships  
Break 2:30-2:45 PM ET  
Can therapists testify?  
Fees  
Informed consent  
Conflicts with legal authorities  
Characteristics of forensic assessments  
End 4:15 PM ET

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## The Presenter

Dr. David Shapiro has been called the Father of clinical forensic psychology. His first book on forensic assessment appeared in 1983 and was the only book at that time to approach forensic assessment from the point of view of actual issues encountered in practice rather than from a theoretical basis. Since that time, he has authored five more textbooks and four dozen peer reviewed articles dealing with the interface of psychology and law. His comprehensive approach to forensic assessment has been widely distributed and used as models for various books and training programs.

Dr. Shapiro is a Diplomate in Forensic Psychology of the American Board of Professional Psychology and has been actively engaged in forensic practice for over forty years. He is currently a Professor of psychology at Nova Southeastern University and teaches courses in forensic assessment, criminal law, ethics and professional practice, supervision and consultation, projective personality assessment, and risk assessment for future violence. He regularly provides forensic and ethics training at a variety of national forums, including APA and ABPP.

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