# Parent Coaching: Uncovering Influences and Promoting Change

Therapy with adults or couples with children frequently presents opportunities to help parents understand and improve parent-child dynamics. Parenting reveals implicit and unconscious expectations about raising children that are often culturally determined, and based on each parent's own childhood experiences. This seminar draws on theories from systems, object relations and the parenting literature to show how unconscious factors get played out in the parent-child relationship. Therapists can help parents identify ways that their own childhood experiences, and aspects of the marital relationship, are played out in the parenting process. Through presentation of theory, and case examples, participants will be able to understand how to raise and explore parenting dynamics in the therapy session, and help parents find new ways of relating to their children and each other. This is particularly import in work with highly conflicted couples, even those who have divorced but have difficulty co-parenting.

Psychologists Therapists

Target Audience Social Workers Psychiatrists

Counselors Nurses

Course level: Intermediate

## Learning Objectives

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

- Identify the ways that culture and extended family can influence expectations and parenting practices.
- Become familiar with the concepts of identification, disidentification and projective identification, and the way that childhood experiences are revived in the parenting process.
- Define a parenting-team approach that allows couples to recognize and accommodate each other's strengths and differences.
- Identify how power and triangulated conflict effects parenting, particularly in families with high levels of conflict.
- Identify ways to point out how unconscious processes are impacting parents.

### Seminar Schedule

Typically begins at 3:00 PM and ends at 5:00 PM Eastern time. However, check the webinar schedule.

#### Outline

Factors that effect parenting: The influence of culture The influence of respected others Power dynamics within the couple

Unconscious factors (identification, projective

identification and disidentification)

Creating a safe space to explore parenting

Engaging parents (exploring judgment, shame and ambivalence)

Interventions and Case Examples Identifying emotions that get triggered in parenting

Exploring the parents view of the child and expecta

Helping parents identify the differences between them and the ways this may complicate parenting Creating an effective parenting team

Parenting in Highly Conflicted/ Divorced couples

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