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Nagy, Buber, Dialogue, and the Wisdom of a Multi-Directed Approach in Contextual Family Therapy: Working with Children and Parents with Walt Schumann, MS, Licensed Psychologist

**AVAILABLE ONSITE IN PHILADELPHIA
 AND LIVE ONLINE FROM ANYWHERE**

**Saturday, March 3, 2012
 9:30 AM–1:00 PM ET**

**CE Approval Pending & Expected
 for PA LSW, LCSW, LMFT, & LPC —
 may transfer to other states (3 hr.)
 3 Hours toward Contextual
 Therapy Certificate Program**

“It was Martin Buber who first formulated the principles of therapy on the level of caring and just interhuman relationships. He made a decisive distinction between healing through efforts of integrity in relationship and technical, often implicitly dehumanizing attempts at symptom change. In all likelihood, he contributed more to building the foundations of accountable human relating than any other thinker of our time.” (p. 28 Between Give and Take, Nagy/Krasner)

In developing Contextual Family Therapy, Ivan Boszormenyi-Nagy expanded on Buber's contribution of I-Thou as genuine dialogue. Contextual therapy holds as normal that humans who live together and love one another will also inevitably hurt one another. We are not perfect. Genuine dialogue is an important part of the repair work and Nagy encourages this honest relating, no matter how difficult the content,

how much misunderstanding or offense. Without a genuine dialogue that addresses the sources of each person's felt pain, we can be unaware of how we are harming each other, and be lacking in the emotional tools that would enable us to relate with kindness. In working with individuals, couples and families, multi-directed partiality is the chief therapeutic attitude which cares about everyone's perceptions. Each person's “side” is heard emphatically by the therapist.

Join us for a lively, theoretical presentation and discussion of Buber's work as it relates to Contextual Family Therapy. We are privileged to be having Walt Schumann, a senior Contextual Therapist, who will openly share the experiences in his own professional life and personal development. Walt remembers hearing broadcasts from Germany before the Second World War. He will share how the Depression limited his father's development as well as the impact

on his family of his mother's devotion to care for her mother. Walt has first hand accounts about working early on in some institutions for children and also adults, including one that was housed in an old fortress/ penitentiary. His search for a more humanistic approach led him to Family Therapy and he was in one of the first training courses that Ivan Nagy, along with James Framo, offered in Contextual Family Therapy.

Applications. Rooted in dialogue and Contextual Therapy, and based on his life experiences, which include directing the Children's Coping Clinic in West Philadelphia, Walt Schumann initiated innovative approaches to working with children and families. He will address the implications of a multi-directed approach in clinical settings as well as the impact of Contextual Therapy on his marital relationship and with his three, now very grown children, including one with “special needs”.

Walt Schumann, MS, Licensed Psychologist has lived through many changes in the field of psychology. You are welcome to join us for his authentic first hand account as a witness of history, a contemporary and student of Nagy, and an appreciator of “Buberism”. He is a genuine, compassionate senior Contextual Therapist who, with curiosity and humor, told us, “Let's do it now, I may not be here next year.”

TUITION	Due w/ Reg.	60.00			
	TOTAL	\$60.00			
DISCOUNTS	Early Reg. Disc. (by 02/03/12): \$15 discount				
	Full-Time Student: 10% discount				
	Full-Time Parent: 10% discount				
	iLOC Online Group Discounts				
	Number of Participants	2	4	6	8
Discount	10%	20%	30%	40%	50%
CREDIT HOURS AVAILABLE					
Contextual Therapy Certificate Program				3 hr.	
PA Social Work Board CEs for LSW, LMFT, & LPC* (Valid CE credit in many states)				3 hr.	
Mental Health Hours				3 hr.	
Certification renewal for the American Nurses Credentialing Center				3 hr.	
<small>* PA Social Work Board CEs may transfer to other states. Check with your state social work board. No fee for PA SW CEs. ** We are an approved provider for the Association for Play Therapy (#96-030). The Play Therapy Specific hours for this course are listed above. Those joining us through our Interactive Live Online Classroom (iLOC) receive APT contact hours.</small>					

To register, please call us at 215-844-4321 ext. 1.

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