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LICENSE, CREDENTIAL, & REGISTRATION

California Licensed Psychologist PSY25154
National Register Health Service Psychologist 53599
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EDUCATION

PsyD Clinical Psychology 2011
California Institute of Integral Studies San Francisco California

Dissertation: Toward a Patient-Centered Understanding of Orgonomic (Reichian) Therapy
Integrative Paper: Gay Men and Sexual Compulsivity – A Culturally Informed Perspective
APA accredited during all coursework and at time of graduation

MA Clinical Psychology 2007
California Institute of Integral Studies San Francisco California

MS Industrial & Organizational Psychology 2000
University of Central Florida Orlando Florida
Thesis: The Relationship Between Personality and Demographic Variables and Satisfaction with Electronic Meeting Support

BS Chemical Engineering (minors in Russian Literature and Physical Chemistry) 1985
University of California, San Diego La Jolla California

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Reich's Orgonomic Therapy: Bodywork in Psychotherapy 2009-2010
Orgonomic Institute of Northern California Mill Valley California
with Richard Blasband MD and Patricia Frisch PhD
Ten one-day and one 3-hour in-depth trainings over 18 months (70 hours total) in employing bodywork in the practice of Wilhelm Reich's character analytic psychotherapy and orgone therapy

Reich's Orgonomic Therapy: Advanced Character Analysis in Psychotherapy 2009-2010
Orgonomic Institute of Northern California Mill Valley California
with Richard Blasband MD and Patricia Frisch PhD
Seven one-day in-depth trainings over 18 months (47 hours total) in deepening the practice of Wilhelm Reich's character analytic psychotherapy

Reich's Orgonomic Therapy: Intermediate Character Analysis in Psychotherapy 2008-2009
Orgonomic Institute of Northern California Mill Valley California
with Richard Blasband MD and Patricia Frisch PhD
Six full weekend in-depth trainings over 9 months (84 hours total) in deepening the practice of Wilhelm Reich's character analytic psychotherapy

Reich's Orgonomic Therapy: Introductory Character Analysis in Psychotherapy 2007-2008
Orgonomic Institute of Northern California Mill Valley California
with Richard Blasband MD and Patricia Frisch PhD
Six full weekend in-depth trainings over 15 months (81 hours total) in the fundamentals of Wilhelm Reich's character analytic psychotherapy

Reichian Orgonomic Therapy Training and Supervision 2006-2009
Orgonomic Institute of Northern California Mill Valley California
with Richard Blasband MD and Patricia Frisch PhD
Two- or three-hour group training and supervision on the principles of character analysis that met approximately bimonthly

Fundamentals of Wilhelm Reich's Orgonomic Therapy: Be the Instrument of Change 2006
Esalen Institute Big Sur California
with Richard Blasband MD and Patricia Frisch PhD
Week-long training workshop in character analytic diagnosis and treatment, problems of psychic contact, working with negative transference, and attuning the therapeutic relationship

Character Transformation: From Façade to Self 2001, 2002, 2003, and 2006
Esalen Institute Big Sur California
with Richard Blasband MD and Patricia Frisch PhD
Three week-long and two weekend training workshops in character restructuring at deep levels of psychophysical being, based on the work of Reich and Jung

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Private Practice at Neil Schierholz PsyD, A Professional Psychology Corporation 2012-present
Licensed Psychologist PSY25154 Los Angeles California

- *Provide long-term individual, couple, and family psychotherapy, one or more times per week*
- *Provide ongoing, biweekly character analytic group therapy*
- *Provide clinical supervision and consultation*
- *Approaches include character analytic and orgonomic (Reichian) biopsychotherapy coupled with psychoanalytic, psychodynamic, and relational models*

Schierholz Consulting & Psychological Services 2011-present
President Los Angeles California

- *Design and facilitate workshops for psychotherapists to help them run their private practice like an efficient business*
- *Provide intense process groups for intact work teams (executive and senior management teams, boards of directors, etc.)*
- *Provide individual leadership and personality conflict intervention*

Private Practice 2012-2012
Registered Psychological Assistant PSB36586 San Francisco California

- *Provided long-term, once- or twice-weekly individual, couple, and family psychotherapy under the clinical supervision of Elin Sowle PhD PSY13368*
- *Provided ongoing, biweekly character analytic group therapy*
- *Approaches included character analytic and orgonomic (Reichian) biopsychotherapy coupled with psychoanalytic, psychodynamic, and relational models*

Private Practice 2009-2012
Registered Psychological Assistant PSB34252 San Francisco California

- *Provided long-term, once- or twice-weekly individual, couple, and family psychotherapy under the clinical supervision of Richard A Blasband MD G5239*
- *Provided ongoing, biweekly character analytic group therapy*
- *Approaches included character analytic and orgonomic (Reichian) biopsychotherapy coupled with psychoanalytic, psychodynamic, and relational models*

Access Institute for Psychological Services 2007-2009
Predoctoral Psychology Intern San Francisco California

- *Provided long-term, once- or twice-weekly individual, couple, and family psychotherapy to a case load of approximately eight individuals, two couples, and one family in a community-based, low-fee, outpatient clinic*
- *Provided adult neuropsychological assessment, integrative report-writing, and consultation using up to 16 assessment instruments*
- *Worked closely with other mental health and medical staff to coordinate patient care and neuropsychological assessment*
- *Patients included multiculturally-diverse, lower to moderate income adults, couples, and families with multiple Axis I, II, III, and IV diagnoses and problems*
- *Vast majority of patients presented with complex characterological and personality disorders*
- *Approaches included psychoanalytic, psychodynamic, and relational models*
- *Participated in 600 hours of extensive curriculum-based didactic training, two hours of weekly individual supervision employing process notes, 1.5 hours of weekly group supervision, and administrative meetings*
- *CAPIC (California Psychology Internship Council) accredited during entire internship and at time of completion*

RAMS, Inc. (Richmond Area Multi-Services, Inc.) 2006-2007
Practicum II Psychology Trainee San Francisco California

- *Provided once-weekly individual psychotherapy to a case load of approximately nine individual patients in a community-based, low-fee, outpatient clinic*
- *Worked closely with other mental health and medical staff to coordinate patient care*
- *Patients included multiculturally-diverse, low income youth and adults with multiple Axis I, II, III, and IV diagnoses and problems*
- *Vast majority of patients were more severely disturbed, low SES, recent Asian immigrant, Asian-American, and Russian-speaking refugees, many of whom experienced cultural conflicts and difficulties communicating in English*
- *Approaches included psychodynamic and relational models with a strong focus on cultural competence*
- *Participated in weekly individual supervision, group supervision, didactic training, and administrative meetings*

New Leaf: Services for Our Community 2005-2006
Practicum I Psychology Trainee San Francisco California

- *Provided once-weekly individual, couple, and group psychotherapy to a case load of approximately five individuals, one couple, and one group in a community-based, low-fee, outpatient clinic*
- *Patients included multiculturally-diverse, low income, LGBTQ adults and youth with multiple Axis I, II, III, and IV diagnoses and problems*
- *Approaches included psychodynamic, intersubjective, cognitive-behavioral, and substance abuse treatment models (abstinence and harm reduction)*
- *Participated in weekly individual supervision, group supervision, didactic training, and administrative meetings*

The Phoenix Group of Consultants, Inc. 1992-2011
President Orlando Florida and San Francisco California

- *Founded and grew successful organization development consulting firm focused on large-scale change efforts, with peak annual revenue of \$360,000*
- *Provided organization development consulting services for over 45 clients such as Walt Disney World, Ernst & Young, and many hospital systems, among others*
- *Extensive domestic and international consulting experience, including culture-specific interventions*
- *Provided highly-engaging organizational assessment, process design, and individual coaching*
- *Regularly consulted with senior leaders on effectively planning and implementing sustainable culture change that collaboratively engaged hundreds of affected employees*

- *Designed and facilitated groups through culture assessment, brand development, visioning, strategic planning, process improvement, team building, and empowerment initiatives*
- *Designed and facilitated hundreds of experiential sessions as short as two hours and as long as five days, with as few as 6 participants to as many as 250*
- *Designed and implemented competency-based human resource management systems*

University Research Corporation/Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Center for Management Development
Manager, Electronic Meeting Support

1990-1992

Palm Coast Florida

- *Developed programs for and operated the FAA Electronic Meeting Support Center*
- *Provided consultation on the effective use of Electronic Meeting Support as a means to more effectively engage all participants in egalitarian meeting processes*
- *Designed and facilitated small conferences and sessions that utilized Electronic Meeting Support*

PUBLICATIONS

Schierholz, N. E. (2011). Toward a patient-centered understanding of orgonomic (Reichian) therapy. *Journal of Psychiatric Orgone Therapy*. <http://www.psychorgone.com/wp-content/uploads/2011/08/book.pdf>

Schierholz, N. E. (2011). Toward a patient-centered understanding of orgonomic (Reichian) therapy. *Dissertation Abstracts International*, 72-08B. (UMI No. 3457711)

Schierholz, N., & Heitker, S. (1995). *Basics of electronic meeting support*. Alexandria, VA: American Society for Training and Development.

TEACHING & PRESENTATIONS

Schierholz, N. (Speaker). (October 2011, January 2012, July 2012, October 2012, & January 2013). *An introduction to orgonomic (Reichian) therapy*. Berkeley, CA: University of California, Berkeley Extension.

Schierholz, N. (Speaker). (October 2011). *An introduction to orgonomic (Reichian) therapy*. San Francisco, CA: California Institute of Integral Studies.

Schierholz, N. (Speaker). (March 2011). *An introduction to orgonomic (Reichian) therapy*. San Francisco, CA: University of California, Berkeley Extension.

MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS

Full Member, California Psychological Association