There is an intimate relationship between the specific pathology and the psychotherapy that is intended to change it. From the earliest thinking about borderline pathology in the 1970s, there have been both descriptive and more theoretical approaches to the pathology. This lecture will highlight the developments in the understanding of borderline pathology, and emphasize the connection between the functional markers of the pathology and the necessary foci of any treatment approach, including TFP.

10:30am - Break

10:45am - Session 2: Patient Assessment and Treatment Contracting

In the assessment of patients with suspected personality pathology, we utilize a structural interview with the goal of understanding both the current symptoms and the internal representations of self and others that guide interpersonal behavior. This organized, structured assessment is followed by the negotiation of a verbal treatment contract with the patient. In this process, the TFP therapist describes responsibilities in the therapy for both patient and therapist.

12:15pm - Lunch

1:00pm - Session 3: Early Treatment Phase

Once the treatment contract is explained and accepted by both patient and therapist, the treatment begins. The early treatment phase with patients with borderline personality organization can be marked by challenges to the contract, self-destructive behavior, and interpretations of the threats to treatment.

2:30pm - Break

2:45pm - Session 4: Mid-phase of Treatment and Termination

The mid-phase of treatment provides an opportunity to deepen the patient’s understanding of his/her representations of self and others through the analysis of the relationship with the therapist, and relationships with key individuals in their current lives. This presentation will conclude with clinical research that demonstrates the effectiveness of TFP, and illustrates the essential elements in the change process.
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