

SPRING WORKSHOP

Assessing Allegations of trauma in Civil and Forensic Contexts

Friday, April 24, 2020

Early-Bird Deadline: April 3, 2020

Hilton Winnipeg Airport Suites

1800 Wellington Ave.

Presenter



Dr. Pietz earned her Bachelor's degree from Creighton University, Master's degree from Sam Houston State University, and Doctoral degree from Texas A&M University. She completed her internship and postdoctoral fellowship at the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston Medical School. Following, she accepted employment as a Forensic Psychologist at the United States Medical Center for Federal Prisoners, and she worked for the federal government for almost twenty-five years. In January 2015, she

retired from the United States Medical Center, and she now works in private practice. She is board certified in forensic psychology.

For the past thirty years, Dr. Pietz has worked as a forensic psychologist. She has testified and/or consulted in almost all 50 states. She has qualified as an expert witness in federal court, state court, military court, and juvenile court. In this capacity, she has conducted competency, insanity, death penalty, IME, child custody, fitness for duty, disability, and parenting capacity evaluations. Some notable cases include Jared Loughner (attempted assassination of Congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords), Auburn Calloway (federal express pilot that assaulted flight crew members in an attempt to hijack the plane), and William Merriweather (charged with three counts of murder while robbing a bank),

She is a past President of the American Board of Forensic Psychology, and she served on the faculty for the American Academy of Forensic Psychology. Currently, she is the President for the Board of Trustees, American Board of Professional Psychology. Read more at: mps.ca/spring20

Learning Objectives

Persons attending this workshop will be able to:

- Describe the development and history of the posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD) diagnosis.
- Describe the diagnosis and symptom picture of PTSD and related disorders.
Compare and contrast the DSM-IV and DSM 5 criteria for PTSD.
- Identify special challenges of assessing persons alleging emotional harm or trauma in personal injury, disability, and criminal contexts.
- Identify strength and weakness of tests that are frequently used to assess trauma complaints in forensic contexts.
- Identify best practice when assessing litigants reporting emotional harm or trauma.
- Identify special challenges of assessing complaints of emotional harm and trauma with persons from diverse backgrounds.
- Understand delayed onset of PTSD

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

8:30-9:00 am	Registration (buffet breakfast included)
9:00-10:30 am	The diagnosis of PTSD- history and trends
10:30-10:45 am	Break
10:45-12:00 pm	Special challenges of assessing those with PTSD
12:00-1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00-2:30 pm	Tests to assess trauma- strengths and weaknesses
2:30-2:45 pm	Break
2:45-4:30 pm	Best practice when assessing trauma

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