### **Outline**

### **Clinician-Client Relationship**

Law vs. ethics

Elements of legal informed consent Nuts and bolts of office policies

Records vs. psychotherapy notes What to put in a record

Limitations on confidentiality

Missouri case law & danger to others Missouri duty to warn potential victims HIPAA

The latest updates you need to know

### **Practical Approach to Risk Management**

Elements of consent Competence & scope of practice Boundary violations/crossings Issues with modern technology Texting, cell phones, e-mail, video psychotherapy Perils of supervision

### Litigation

Licensing complaints & malpractice lawsuits Missouri-specific statutes Missouri rules and regulations Case law and how to find it

- 1. Describe how to avoid litigation dilemmas, licensing complaints and malpractice actions.
- 2. Analyze the legal and ethical considerations for the treatment of minor populations in Missouri with regard to age of consent, confidentiality and custody
- 3. Explain how an understanding of common boundary and dual relationship issues/dilemmas can help you maintain appropriate relationships with your clients.

### **Navigate the Legal System**

Roles of attornevs Confidentiality/privilege Subpoena & disclosure of confidential information

Depositions, interrogatories, expert testimony

### **Treatment of Minors**

Missouri age of majority Consent to treatment Privilege/confidentiality Separation & divorce

**Case Studies** 

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(Times listed in Central)

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8:00 Program begins

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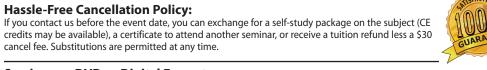
5. Discuss the limits of confidentiality as it relates to duty to warn law in Missouri.

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6. Demonstrate how risk management strategies regarding technology can keep client information secure and avoid violating HIPAA.

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