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# Multiculturalism in Clinical Practice: Enhancing Pluralistic Thinking and Confronting Implicit Bias

**Presenter: Dr. Zonya Johnson**

**Date: Saturday, April 27, 2019**

**Time: 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

This presentation will address topics central to effective clinical practice and the ongoing development of cultural competence and cultural humility. In the effort to enhance pluralistic thinking and develop an increased awareness of multiple ethnocultural perspectives, we will examine theoretical bias, manifestations of privilege and power within the therapeutic relationship, and implicit bias.

Consideration will be given to the impact of unexamined racism, ethnocentrism, homophobia, and other 'isms' upon the client, and upon the clinician. We will also address the impact of the current divisive sociopolitical climate upon the therapeutic relationship. Participants can bring in brief vignettes, which may illustrate some of these therapeutic challenges. The presentation will utilize experiential exercises to enhance our understanding of these concepts. A dynamic speaker, who integrates her knowledge of humanistic, relational and psychodynamic theories, Dr. Johnson's presentation promises to be compelling.

**Dr. Zonya Johnson**, Dean of the Sanville Institute, Berkeley, California is a Clinical Psychologist with an esteemed background, who has worked as a clinician, consultant, professor, and writer. She began her early work in Boston as an Instructor of Psychology at the Department of Psychiatry at Cambridge Hospital, Harvard Medical School. In the 80's, she moved to the San Francisco Bay area. Dr. Johnson was Faculty Chair of the Wright Institute in Berkeley.

In addition, Dr. Johnson maintains a multiculturally diverse clinical practice of psychotherapy in the Rockridge area of Oakland with individuals and couples, including work with severely mentally ill patients and substance abusers. As a consultant with graduate students, clinicians and agency administrators, she is often recruited to facilitate the process of developing cultural competence.

**Location:** Home office of Gabie Berliner, PhD, LCSW

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**Seating is limited. Please RSVP by email: [cascsw1969@gmail.com](mailto:cascsw1969@gmail.com)**