

*Northeast Counties Association of Psychologists  
Bergen - Hudson - Passaic Counties, NJ*

Winter Program – **Sunday, January 21st, 2018**

## **Gender in the Contemporary Clinical Situation**

*Presenter: Sam Semper, Ph.D.*

**PROGRAM:**

In this seminar participants will engage with contemporary clinical literature related to gender identity formation and gender expression in order to become familiar with current terms and debates in this area. Participants will gain practical tools to work with issues related to gender including clinical work with individuals who identify as gender non-conforming, gender-queer/ gender-fluid, and/or transgender. The following questions frame the seminar: How do we understand gender identification(s) and gender expression in developmental terms without falling into the trap of biological essentialism or reifying outdated notions of a strict gender binary? How do we work with issues related to gender in ways that take into account the power of unconscious fantasies, family dynamics, as well as the effect of socio-cultural meanings of gender including the effects of heteronormativity? In the case of those who identify as gender-queer or trans specifically, how do we work in ways that recognize gendered fantasy, the dynamic unconscious, and affirm trans or gender-queer experience? Case material will be presented.

**PRESENTER:**

**Sam Semper, Ph.D.**, holds a PhD in Women's and Gender Studies from the University of British Columbia. She is a Supervisor and Instructor in the Child & Adolescent Psychotherapy Program at the Institute for Psychoanalytic Training and Research (IPTAR). Dr. Semper is an Advanced Candidate in IPTAR's Adult Psychoanalytic Program.

*Learning Objectives:* This workshop is designed to help you:

- List current terms related to gender identity and gender expression.
- Describe specific issues related to working with gender non-conforming/ non-binary individuals including common transference-counter-transference issues.
- Describe gender transitioning (social/ medical).

**LOCATION:** *Cresskill Senior Center*, 38 Spring St., Cresskill, NJ 07676

10:30 – 11:00 AM      Registration and Continental Breakfast

11:00 – 1:00 PM      Program

**NCAP Members and Students – No Charge • Guests \$30**

**2 CE credits available for psychologists (add'l. charge):** NJPA members \$10; sustaining members N/C. NJPA non-members \$20.

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**RSVP to:** **Joan Fiorello, Ph.D.** – [joangf@hotmail.com](mailto:joangf@hotmail.com) or 201-784-0312

**Refund available only if cancellation received by January 14th.**

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*Program sophistication: intermediate.*

*Intended audience: psychologists, social workers, marriage and family therapists, mental health counselors, and graduate students.*

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