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# Janina Fisher, PhD

#### Transforming Trauma-Related Resistance and **Stuckness**

Monday - Friday: 9:00a.m. - 12:30p.m. EDT | 30-Minute Break Daily | 15-Hour Course **Delivery Format: In-Person or Live-Online** 

Coming to therapy is a cry for help, requiring the ability to acknowledge vulnerability. But for those who have been abused, abandoned, or rejected, being vulnerable is associated with powerlessness, humiliation, and violence. Almost every kind of traumatic experience involves incompetence or cruelty perpetrated by other human beings. No matter how much clients sincerely want our help, they cannot control instinctive fight, flight, or submission defenses stimulated in relationships to other human beings.

Should the client commit to therapy or flee? Combat the therapist's every effort? Or "submit" by coming but not fully participating? Seeking help may bring initial relief in a moment of crisis but also inevitably raises doubts: Is it better to trust or avoid trusting?

Whether resistance manifests as a passive aggressive 'no' to every intervention, chronic avoidance, or desperation for help alternating with resistance to accepting it, the underlying dilemma is the same. What we label "resistance" reflects inherent trauma-related conflicts activated by all forms of treatment and all types of therapist.

In this workshop, we will explore the complex relationships between these trauma-related conflicts and stuckness or resistance in psychotherapy. Using techniques drawn from Sensorimotor Psychotherapy, Internal Family Systems, and other mindfulness-based models, participants will learn how to de-code these impasses and help clients work with them as an internal conflict, not a therapeutic issue. When we help individuals "befriend" the resistance, we become part of the solution instead of part of the problem.

# **Course Agenda**

#### **Monday:**

The many "flavors" of stuckness and resistance: the help-rejecting complainer, passive-aggressive clients, chronic suicidality, clients who are shut down and 'not there,' hopelessness and immobility, avoidance, clients who struggle for control.

#### **Tuesday:**

Understanding resistance as defensive, not offensive: trauma-related phobias of vulnerability, closeness and distance, visibility and invisibility, hypervigilance and mistrust. How therapy evokes animal defense survival responses.

#### **Wednesday:**

Understanding resistance and stuckness as struggles between trauma-related parts: survival responses and strategies, re-framing resistance as adaptive, sharing the dilemma—some parts want help, some fear it, and others fight to resist it.

#### **Thursday:**

Overcoming our 'resistance' to client resistance: competing agendas of client and therapist, how **our** minds and bodies respond to client stuckness, how to navigate the client's fear of closeness and fear of distance. Psychotherapy as "play space," and the therapeutic benefits of laughter and playfulness.

#### **Friday:**

Healing the wounds of the past: internal soothing and comfort for hurt and fearful parts, "negotiated settlements" with protectors, collaborating with parts who resist, enjoying the struggles rather than resisting them, facilitating self-compassion.

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# **Course Objectives**

Upon completion of this course participants will be able to:

- 1. Identify the effects of traumatic experience on attachment formation
- 2. Discuss the role of implicit memory in post-traumatic symptoms
- 3. Describe manifestations of animal defense survival responses in clients
- 4. Differentiate common conflicts between survival defenses observed in client relationships
- 5. Summarize the aspects of psychotherapy that evoke defensive responses in traumatized clients
- 6. Describe the association between client resistance or stuckness and trauma-related survival defenses
- 7. Discuss ways of evoking curiosity in stuck or resistant clients
- 8. Articulate the role of 're-framing' the symptoms in trauma treatment
- 9. Utilize Sensorimotor Psychotherapy interventions to help clients notice resistance without shame
- 10. Utilize parts-related interventions to resolve internal struggles and conflicts

# **Continuing Education**

Course Content Level: beginner, intermediate, and advanced. This course is open, and content is, suitable for all clinicians and learning levels, beginning, intermediate and advanced. **Courses must be completed in one delivery format.** 

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# **Registration:**

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**In-Person Course Format:** Monday through Friday from 9:00a.m. to 12:30p.m. EDT with a 30-minute break.

**In-Person Location:** 

Nauset Regional Middle School, 70 MA-28, Orleans, MA 02653

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#### **Tuition:**

**In-Person Course:** 

Early Tuition Rate: \$700 (through 04/01/2024)

**Full Tuition: \$750** 

Full-time graduate students, doctoral students, and resident physicians must upload documentation at the time of registration to qualify for a reduced tuition of \$575 for in-person courses.

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# **Continuing Education Approvals:**

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#### **JULY 1-5, 2024**

#### Janina Fisher, PhD

Transforming Trauma-Related Resistance and Stuckness

In-Person & Live-Online

#### Rubin Naiman, PhD, FAASM

Healing Our Sleep, Dreams, and Consciousness: An Integrative Approach In-Person & Live-Online

#### LaTonya Wilkins, PCC, MBA

Belonging: Fostering Psychological Safety and Below the Surface Leadership in Organizations, Clients, and Yourself

In-Person & Live-Online

#### **JULY 8-12, 2024**

### Lana Epstein, MA, LICSW

Putting It All Together: Combining Somatic and Ego-State Therapies with EMDR to Change the Valence of Emotional Memories

In-Person & Live-Online

#### **Barry Prizant, PhD, CCC-SLP**

Understanding and Supporting Autistic and Neurodivergent Individuals through the Uniquely Human Lens

In-Person & Live-Online

#### Licia Sky, BFA

Embodied Awareness: The Art of Presence and Attunement In-Person Only

#### Bessel van der Kolk, MD

Frontiers of Trauma Treatment In-Person & Live-Online

#### **JULY 15-19, 2024**

#### Sebastian Barr, PhD

Affirming and Effective Work with Trans and Nonbinary Adolescents and Young Adults In-Person & Live-Online

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Facilitating the Function of Attachment in Distressed Adult Romantic Relationships: An Emotionally Focused Therapy (EFT) Framework In-Person & Live-Online

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#### **Deb Dana, LCSW**

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# John Forsyth, PhD & Jamie Forsyth, PhD

Harnessing the Transformative Power of Mindful ACT Therapy: How to Live Well When Life is Hard In-Person & Live-Online

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Growing Up and Waking Up: Applied Mindfulness in Psychotherapy and Buddhist Practice In-Person Only

#### Cece Sykes, LCSW, ACSW

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#### Margaret Blaustein, PsyD

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Arts & the Brain: Evidence-Based Therapeutic Arts Interventions for Optimal Health & Well-Being In-Person Only

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#### Mary-Frances O'Connor, PhD

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#### Eboni Webb, PsvD, HSP

Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT): Effective Tools for Navigating Trauma and Attachment in Complex Clients Across the Lifespan In-Person & Live-Online

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