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# Understanding Homophobia in Our Forefathers: Rethinking How Kohut Actually Worked

2018 Ralph Roughton Award Winner

Presented by Janna Sandmeyer, PhD Wednesday, November 6, 2019 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm

#### **EVENT DESCRIPTION:**

Jule Miller's (1985) article entitled "How Kohut Actually Worked," remains a valuable window into Kohut's clinical perspective toward the end of his life. However, one disturbing element to the article is Kohut and Miller's homophobic and heterosexist approach to the homosexual clinical material. Turning a psychoanalytic lens on Miller's article, Dr. Janna Sandmeyer's critique opens a broad discussion of psychoanalysis' history of homophobia, while at the same time preserving Kohut's clinical recommendations that are highlighted in Miller's paper. During this presentation, we will explore Kohut's supervision of Miller, confront the ethics of teaching problematic classic papers, and offer a way forward to address problematic aspects of classic psychoanalytic papers.

## **PRESENTER:** Janna Sandmeyer, PhD

Dr. Janna Sandmeyer is Chair of the Contemporary Approaches to Psychodynamic Psychotherapy program at the Institute of Contemporary Psychotherapy + Psychoanalysis (ICP+P), where she is also Chair of the Task Force for Sexual Diversity and Inclusion. She serves on the Editorial Boards of Psychoanalytic Inquiry and Psychoanalysis, Self and Context. She is faculty and supervisor at ICP+P and at the Washington School of Psychiatry. Dr. Sandmeyer was the 2017 recipient of the Ralph Roughton award from the American Psychoanalytic Association. She maintains a private practice in Washington, DC.

# **DISCUSSANT:** John Frank, MD

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#### **EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**

At the end of this program, participants will be able to:

- 1. To describe the clinical principles that exemplified Kohut's way of thinking toward the end of his life.
- 2. To identify the heterosexist and homophobic aspects of Jule Miller's (1985) article, 'How Kohut Actually Worked.'
- 3. To describe correctives for the heterosexist and homophobic aspects of classic psychoanalytic articles.

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