



Ethics, Emotions, and Values: Why We Don't Always Follow the Rules

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Overview

Therapeutic boundaries establish guidelines for professional relationships. They provide structure and safety that help prevent harm to clients. However, not every boundary crossing is a problem, and some boundary crossings may even be helpful.

This workshop will provide the opportunity to discuss ethical dilemmas related to accepting gifts, therapeutic touch, non-traditional settings for therapy, and non-sexual relationships after termination. Dr. Knauss will also emphasize the importance of consultation. Participants will be invited to discuss ethical dilemmas from their own practices.

Objectives: Participants will be able to:

- The differences between boundary crossings and boundary violations.
- Ethical and risk management issues with subtle boundary crossings.
- Appropriate responses when clients make serious challenges to therapeutic boundaries.

3 Hours Ethics CE Credits

Boundaries and Multiple Relationships (1 hr 19 min 46 sec)

- Boundary Crossings
- Boundary Violations
- Ethical Decision Making and Boundaries
- Therapist and Client Variables

Types of Boundary Crossings (1 hr 47 min 59 sec)

- Gifts
- Therapeutic Touch
- Non-Traditional Settings
- Non-Sexual Relationships after Termination

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Dr. Knauss is a Professor at Widener University's Institute for Graduate Clinical Psychology. She is the chair of the Ethics Committee of the American Board of Professional Psychology.

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