

Agenda...

Friday February 23, 2018

11:00 - 1:00 PM

Registration

1:00—1:15 PM

Conference Welcome WATSA President

1:15 - 5:30 PM

Angela Wyatt Ekes, Ph.D.

Individuals Involved with Child Sexual Exploitation Material

Summary

This session will focus on individuals involved with child sexual exploitation material. It will include a discussion about online and collecting behaviors, tying this information into individual assessment and the evaluation of risk to reoffend. As part of this session there will be a review and update on the Child Pornography Offender Risk Tool (CPORT) and the related Correlates of Admission of Sexual Interest in Children (CASIC) scale.

3:15 - 3:45 PM

Break

6:00 - 7:00 PM

No Host Bar - Pre-conference Area

7:00 - 8:30 PM

Dinner (Provided for all participants)

Saturday February 24, 2018

7:30—9:00 AM

Continental Breakfast

(Provided for all participants)

9:00 AM—5:30 PM

Franca Cortoni, Ph.D., C.Psych.

*Women Who Sexually Offend
Assessment, Treatment & Management*

Summary

Women who sexually offend constitute a small yet significant proportion of all sexual offenders. In recent years, increased empirical attention has focused on this special subgroup of sexual offenders and has revealed a number of gender-specific issues related to female offending. As such, female sexual offenders require gender-informed assessment, treatment, and management practices.

This presentation will provide a review of the current knowledge in the area of risk of recidivism, assessment, and treatment needs of women who sexually offend, and provide directions for their assessment and treatment. First, the proportion of sexual offenders who are women will be reviewed. Second, the recidivism rates and related risk factors of female sexual offenders will be presented and the implications for risk assessment discussed. Third, the latest research findings on the factors related to sexually offending behavior in women will be presented. Finally, gender-relevant treatment approaches will be detailed. As needed, a contrast and comparison between male and female offenders will be provided.

9:00—Noon Morning Session

10:15 - 10:45 AM **Break**

12:00—1:15 PM **Lunch**
(Provided for all Participants)

Afternoon session

1:30 - 5:30 PM

Break

3:00 - 3:30 PM

Dinner on your own

Sunday February 25, 2018

8:00 AM

Continental Breakfast

(Provided for all participants)

9:00 AM - Noon

Richard Packard, Ph.D. & Michael O'Connell, Ph.D.

*The Neurology of Sex Offending:
Clinical Practices.*

Summary

For most of the 20th and 21st Centuries, the dominant set of ideas and beliefs about crime and sexual offending have largely revolved around moral, biological, and behavioral perspectives. Societal responses have largely mirrored these notions and have included punishment, ostracism, behavior therapy, and medical interventions including both physical and “chemical” castration as well as other medications. Yet, it is only relatively recently that science and technology has developed to the point where it is possible to observe and analyze the living human brain, often in real time. These developments are now creating a profound change in perspective across many areas, including violence and sexual offending.

This session will briefly review the development of these perspectives, provide some examples of the neurobiological influences we are seeing, and how they are manifested in overt sexual offending. We will use several case examples to illustrate these influences and discuss how the observations have altered both case formulation and recommended interventions.

We will then offer suggestions as to how clinicians and corrections personnel can access relatively simple tools to determine whether these influences may be important to consider in specific cases.

10:00 - 10:15 AM

Break

12:00 PM

Conference Closes