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## **Sex in Psychotherapy**

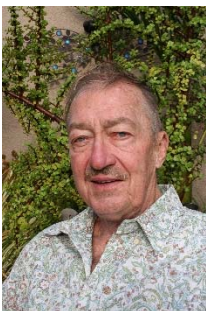
**6 hours of continuing education credit  
Enrollment limited to Ten**

**Instructor: Lawrence E. Hedges Ph.D., Psy.D., ABPP**

**Sunday, April 3, 2016  
9a.m.-4p.m.**

**Preregistration required**

**Fee: \$130.00; Register (714) 633-3933  
Intermediate to Advanced level  
(fee non-refundable due to limited space)**



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Hedges and his work, go to [www.listeningperspectives.com](http://www.listeningperspectives.com)

## **Sex in Psychotherapy: Sexuality, Passion, Love, and Desire in the Therapeutic Encounter**

### **Course Description:**

Sex, Sexuality, Gender, Gender Identity and Sexual Diversity are daily topics in today's clinical practice. How does the therapist position her- or himself to listen to the many ways sex regularly presents itself—particularly in transference and countertransference?

Psychotherapies today recognize sexuality in both erotic and non-erotic forms to be an essential aspect of the intersubjective field in which personal growth occurs. Spring-boarding from Foucault's position that sexuality is inevitably fused with interpersonal power and that sex itself is an ever-elusive myth, Dr. Hedges will present current research and theory into eight perspectives for listening to sex as it emerges in the clinical encounter. A series of published case vignettes provide models for handling a variety of sexual issues as they arise in practice while the three in-depth case studies focus on the development of erotic transference, resistance and countertransference with various possibilities for clinical understanding and response. Of special interest will be the ways sex and gender issues interface with multicultural concerns. The day will conclude with a workshop experience in which participants will be guided in discussing in triads some sexual encounter they have personally experienced in clinical practice.

**Learning Objectives:** At the end of the course participants will be able

- To define eight different perspectives from which to listen to issues of sex and sexuality
- To specify how the "ethnosexual frontier" links sexuality and ethnicity
- To recite Foucault's argument regarding the linkage of power and sexuality
- To apply post-modernism and constructionism to clinical understanding of sex and sexuality
- To discuss how sexual encounters in therapy reveal transference and countertransference issues
- To identify the implications of early infant-caregiver interactions for the development of later sexuality
- To be able to state the fundamentals of the intersubjective and relational approaches to psychotherapy

The Listening Perspectives Study Center is approved to provide Continuing Education Credits for Psychologists, Marriage and Family Therapists, Social Workers, and Nurses. The exact number of credits awarded is equal to the number of contact hours for each event and is specified on the Syllabus.

The Listening Perspective Study Center is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. The Listening Perspectives Study Center maintains responsibility for the program and its content.

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