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Educational and Professional Background

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Dr. Snyder is a clinical psychologist working as a professor and clinician in Phoenix, Arizona. A native of Wisconsin, Dr. Snyder moved to New Mexico at the age of 19 to complete her undergraduate study of psychology at NMSU. Upon graduation, she moved to Minneapolis, MN where she provided community integration services to individuals who sustained traumatic brain injuries. Dr. Snyder began her research into brain dysfunction during this time. At age 26, she moved to Phoenix, Arizona where she completed her doctoral degree at the Arizona School of Professional Psychology. Her clinical research during graduate school originally focused on neuroplasticity in young children, but later shifted to personality change in substance abuse treatment.

Dr. Snyder currently specializes in psychodynamic case conceptualization and treatment. She is interested in theoretical formulations of the development of psychological (i.e., thought, emotion, motivation) processes that underlie child and adolescent psychosis, dissociation, depression, anxiety, substance abuse, and related personality features like sociopathy. A resultant interest in understanding early attachment configurations, related neurological correlates, the influence of trauma and/or maternal loss/deprivation/separation (pre-oedipal), and neurological processes and changes that occur during psychological treatment ensues.

Patients seeking treatment for social anxiety, panic disorder, generalized anxiety disorder, bipolar disorder, (teen) psychosis, parent child relational problems, partner relational problems, adjustment problems (related to the economy), substance use, abuse, chronic fatigue, insomnia, and other disorders have had success with Dr. Snyder.

Organizations seeking employee training services may be interested in contracting for the following educational topic domains:

- 1 Psychoneuroimmunology and Stress
- 2 Diversity
- 3 Attachment Theory
- 4 Bonding and Attachment
- 5 Parenting Styles
- 6 Forms and Effects of Childhood Sexual Abuse
- 7 Basic Principles and Techniques of Behavior Modification
- 8 Permanency: A Social Service Perspective
- 9 Understanding Oppositional Defiant Disorder and Conduct Disorder in Foster and Residential Care Children
- 10 Post Traumatic Stress Disorder
- 11 Depression in Children and Adolescents
- 12 Normal Human Development: Domains of Child and Adolescent Development
- 13 Therapeutic Crisis Intervention Training for Children in Foster and Residential Care: The Life Space Interview
- 14 Understanding and Managing Manipulative Behavior in Foster and Residential Care Children