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*Boundaries, Borders and
Multiplicities in Psychotherapy:
Ethics and Professionalism for
Nebraska Psychologists*

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This vignette-based program will explore ethical and professional aspects of boundaries and borders within the psychotherapeutic context. The program will review standards in the APA Ethics Code that are relevant to boundaries and borders in psychotherapy, and then will explore why these concepts are so deeply embedded in our ethical understanding of the psychotherapeutic process. This exploration will address how borders and boundaries take shape in a relational context where multiple dimensions of self-identity are at play, such as age, gender, gender identity, race, sexual orientation, disability and religion.

The program will distinguish ethical issues from professional issues, and will press to understand the difference between these two categories. The program will offer a model for ethical decision making, and provide a series of practice-oriented vignettes for discussion. The values underpinning the APA Ethics code will be stressed throughout the program and will be a point of special emphasis in discussing the vignettes. The program will stress that the APA Ethics Code may be used as a guide in ethical decision making, and is more than simply a set of prohibitions and obligations.

Learning Objectives

At the end of this presentation, participants will:

1. List the ethical standards in the APA Ethics Code that are especially relevant to borders and boundaries in psychotherapy.
2. Grasp the values underpinning the APA Ethics Code that form the basis for ethical standards relevant to borders and boundaries in psychotherapy.
3. Apply a process for ethical decision making.
4. Distinguish ethical issues from professional issues in psychology.
5. Summarize how the APA Ethics Code addresses aspects of identity such as age, gender, gender identity, race, sexual orientation, disability and religion.
6. Recognize how the APA Ethics Code can be employed as a useful tool in ethical decision making.

Workshop Schedule

8:00 – 8:30	Registration (coffee, tea, juices, fruit, pastries)	12:00 - 1:15	Lunch and NPA Business Meeting (Lunch included with registration)
8:30 – 10:00	Morning Session	1:15 – 3:00	Afternoon Session
10:00 – 10:15	Break	3:00 – 3:15	Break
10:15 – 12:00	Continue Morning Session	3:15 – 4:15	Continue Afternoon Session



Stephen H. Behnke, J.D., Ph.D., MDiv — Dr. Stephen H. Behnke is the Director of ethics at the American Psychological Association, and holds an appointment in clinical ethics in the Department of Psychiatry at Harvard Medical School. In addition, Dr. Behnke co-leads an ethics discussion group at the meetings of the American Psychoanalytic Association.

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Registration Form

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- Registration:** \$180 General Registration
 \$125 NPA Members
 \$25 Psychology Graduate Students, Interns

Name/Degree: _____

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I am: Psychologist Other

- *Lunch RSVP:** Yes, I will have lunch at the Conference.
 Yes, I will attend the NPA Business Lunch at the Conference.
 No, I am having lunch on my own.

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Stephen H. Behnke, J.D., Ph.D., MDiv — Dr. Stephen H. Behnke received his J.D. from Yale Law School, his PhD. in clinical psychology from the University of Michigan, and his M.Div. from Harvard Divinity School. In 1996, Behnke was made chief psychologist of the Day Hospital Unit at the Massachusetts Mental Health Center, a position he held until 1998, when he was named a faculty fellow in Harvard University's program in Ethics and the Professions. Dr. Behnke then directed a program in research integrity in the Division of Medical Ethics at Harvard Medical School. In November of 2000, he assumed the position of director of ethics at the American Psychological Association. He holds an appointment in clinical ethics in the Department of Psychiatry at Harvard Medical School.

Dr. Behnke co-leads an ethics discussion group at the meetings of the American Psychoanalytic Association. Dr. Behnke's research interests focus on issues at the convergence of law, ethics, religion and psychology. He has written on multiple personality disorder and the insanity defense, on issues involving competence and informed consent to treatment and research, on forced treatment of the severely mentally ill, and on state laws relevant to the work of mental health practitioners.



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