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**NPA 2017 Spring Conference:** 

# Unified Protocol for the Treatment of Emotional Disorders



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**Friday, June 2, 2017** 

### **University of Nebraska – East Campus**

Nebraska East Union, 1705 Arbor Drive Great Plains Room, 2nd Floor (See back page for parking information)

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#### Unified Protocol for the Treatment of Emotional Disorders

The Unified Protocol for the treatment of emotional disorders (UP; Barlow et al., 2011) is a recently developed transdiagnostic, emotion-focused, cognitive-behavioral treatment that targets deficits in emotion regulation that occur across the neurotic spectrum. This workshop reviews evidence supporting the development of transdiagnostic CBT interventions. This will be followed by a description and demonstration of how to apply core UP treatment modules, along with the similarities and differences between the UP and traditional CBT for anxiety and mood disorders. Audio and videotaped illustrations of core treatment interventions (e.g., mindful awareness, emotion exposures) will be presented, along with detailed case examples involving comorbidity. Attendees will be invited to participate in exercises as part of these demonstrations.

#### **Learning Objectives**

At the end of this presentation, participants will be able to:

- 1. Develop a unified, transdiagnostic case conceptualization for patients presenting with comorbid emotional disorders;
- 2. Apply emotion-focused treatment concepts and strategies (e.g., objective monitoring, emotional awareness training, cognitive reappraisal, reduction of emotional avoidance and maladaptive emotion driven behaviors) to patients presenting with comorbid emotional disorders; and,
- 3. Create effective and cohesive emotion exposures for patients with depression and complex comorbidities.

#### **Workshop Schedule**

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



**Shannon Sauer-Zavala, Ph.D.** completed her BA in psychology from Gettysburg College and her Ph.D. from the University of Kentucky. She completed her pre-doctoral clinical training at Duke University Medical Center where she specialized in cognitive-behavioral interventions for individuals with severe mental illness and chronic medical problems. From there, Dr. Sauer-Zavala moved to Boston University's Center for Anxiety and Related Disorders to complete her post-doctoral fellowship under Dr. Barlow's mentorship in order to further enhance her CBT skills and to train in the UP. Dr. Sauer-Zavala was promoted to faculty in BU's Department of Psychology and currently divides her time between her research, clinical work, and dissemination efforts. Her research is focused on identifying factors that maintain symptoms across broad classes of

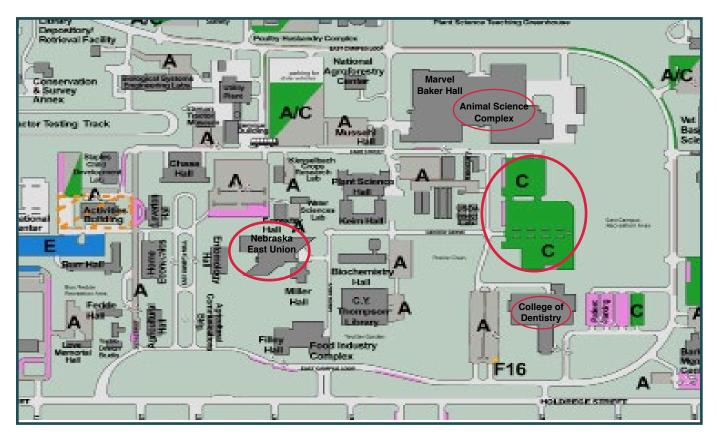
disorders and using this information to streamline treatment for commonly co-occurring diagnoses. She is especially interested in developing/refining treatments for borderline personality disorder with comorbid mood and anxiety disorders.

Additionally, as the Director of the Unified Protocol Institute, Dr. Sauer-Zavala is interested in identifying best practices for disseminating empirically-supported treatments (see: www.unifiedprotocol.com)

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