Intimacy has more recently evolved as not only integral to our more personal relationships and even our social presentations, but also as central to the analytic/therapeutic relationship. With that, certain elements emerge as perhaps central to analysts’ and psychotherapists’ work with patients. Narcissism, Illusion (a developmental process described by Winnicott) and the Passage of Time will be discussed as variables containing important aspects to enhancing or preventing the development of intimate relating that can further therapeutic action within the analytic and psychotherapeutic relationship. This Symposium will describe and give examples of how to work with these variables within the analytic/psychotherapeutic hour as well as related to other important aspects of our patients’ lives and our own as analysts and psychotherapists.

PRACTICE GAP/NEED and OBJECTIVES for the SYMPOSIUM: NARCISSISM, ILLUSION and the PASSAGE of TIME: ROADBLOCKS and PATHWAYS to INTIMACY

PRACTICE GAP/NEED:
Many psychotherapists and psychoanalysts may be unaware of the enhancing effects of intimacy related to therapeutic action within or without the psychoanalytic/ psychotherapeutic setting. Related to this unawareness are the variables that can possibly further or undermine the fostering of intimacy. Here, narcissism, illusion (a developmental process) and the passage of time will be elaborated upon as a sample of those variables.

Objectives:
By the end of the day, participants in this Symposium will be able to:
1. Describe at least three aspects to intimate relating through the variables of narcissism, illusion (a developmental process), and the passage of time.
2. Demonstrate ways of assessing and working with patients’ narcissistic characteristics and thus enhance intimacy and therapeutic action in the clinical relationship.
3. Assess patients’ capacity for illusion as described and thus enhance intimacy and therapeutic action in the clinical relationship.
4. Discuss how the passage of time impacts intimacy and therapeutic action in order to further the efficacy of psychoanalytic/ psychotherapeutic treatment.

5 CME/CE Credit Hours

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**SCHEDULE**

**8:30 - 9:00 am** Continental breakfast until 10:00 a.m. Registration.

**9:00 - 9:10 am** Program Introductions – Dr. Kathleen Moore, President, Michigan Psychiatric Society

**9:10 - 9:20 am** Dr. Ayeni Introduces Keynote Speaker Dr. Schoen

**9:20 - 10:00 am** Dr. Schoen Presents

**10:00 - 10:10 am** Questions and Comments for Audience for both Dr. Schoen’s paper and Dr. Orbach’s discussion

**10:10 - 11:00 am** Dr. Orbach Discusses Dr. Schoen’s paper

**11:00 - 11:45 am** Questions and Comments from Audience for both Dr. Schoen’s paper and Dr. Orbach’s discussion

**11:45 - 1:15 pm** Lunch

**1:15 - 1:25 pm** Dr. Flinders introduces Keynote Speaker Dr. Seligman

**1:25 - 2:10 pm** Dr. Seligman Presents

**2:10 - 2:25 pm** Break

**2:25 - 3:05 pm** Dr. Flinders introduces Dr. Ehrlich

**3:05 - 4:00 pm** Dr. Ehrlich discusses Dr. Seligman’s paper

**4:00 - 5:00 pm** Questions and Comments from Audience for both Dr. Seligman’s paper and Dr. Orbach’s presentations.

**SEMINAR**

A preparatory seminar will be offered through the Adult and Child/Adolescent Advanced Psychodynamic Psychotherapy Training Program (ACAPP). Symposium attendees are required to attend the 9th at 6:45 pm in the Ann Arbor room of the Michigan Psychoanalytic Institute (3810 Wadsworth Ave, Suite 270, 48104). Tuition is $40. **For this seminar, please mail a separate check made payable to MPI.**

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