

Behaviour Therapy.

4 AREAS OF DEV.

- 1. Classical / respondent conditioning**
→ What happens prior to learning that creates a response through pairing.
- 2. Operant Conditioning**
→ A type of learning in which beh. is influenced mainly by the consequences that follow them.
- 3. Social Learning / Social-cognitive appr.**
→ prominence to the triadic reciprocal interaction btwn indiv's beh, personal factors & enviro.
- 4. Cognitive beh. therapy**
→ social skills training, cognitive therapy, stress management training, mindfulness & acceptance-based practices.

→ A set of clinical procedures relying on experimental findings of psych r/search

- Based on principles of learning that are systematically applied.
- Focus on clients current prob's & assessing beh through observ. / self-monitoring.
- Largely action-oriented & educational → therapist teaches client skills of self-management.
- Behaviour → operationally defined - incl. overt actions & internal processes.
- Change can take place w/o insight into underlying dynamics & the origins of the prob.
- What treatment, by whom, is the most effective for this individual with that specific prob & under which set of circumstances?
- Goal → to incr. personal choice & create new conditions for learning.

Functional assessment of beh. / behavioural analysis

ABC model →

* Antecedent(s) → Beh (s) → Consequences

Operant conditioning

- * positive & neg. reinforcement
- Goal → incr. target beh.
- * Extinction
- to decr. / eliminate a beh. by withholding reinforcement from a previously reinforced response.
- * positive & neg. punishment
- to decr. target beh.

progressive muscle relaxation

- Teaching people to cope w the stresses produced by daily life.
- Relaxation becomes well-learned response - can become habitual if practised daily.
- procedures have been applied to a variety of clinical procedures → chronic pain - panic disorders.

Systematic desensitization

- * Based on classical conditioning.
- Developed by Joseph Wolpe.
- * Effective in reducing maladaptive anxiety & treating anxiety-related disorders & phobias.
- * Entails - relaxation training, dev. of an anxiety hierarchy & presentation of those items while client is relaxed.

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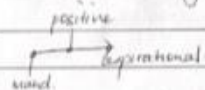
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Ethic codes

- Gain a knowledge of the dynamics of oppression racism discrimination & stereotyping
- "different is just different, it's not nec. bad"

Ethics

- Does not make the decisions for you. There are multiple grey areas.
- There are rights that supersede the rights of your patients. However, the counsellor makes the decision something ethically sound.
- Mandatory ethics - clear cut, non-negotiable
- Aspirational - ethics you inspire towards
- What you resist against to protect certain risks
- Positive - more than just minimum standards.



- There might be more than one code that could apply, you need to weigh them and choose relevant ones.

- a fundamental component of effective counselling
- Guidelines that outline professional standards of behaviour & practice
- Codes don't make decisions for counsellors
- Counsellors must interpret & apply ethical codes to their decision-making

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- An opportunity to explore the paradoxes of life.
They don't feel isolated.
- Group members will bring issues/lacking of other members to the forefront. "Why aren't you speaking?"
- Therapist needs to maintain control.

* Contributions of existential therapy

- Normalized existentialism
- New dimensions of understanding towards anxieties, guilt, frustration, etc.
- Emphasis on the quality of human relationships
Both working towards a resolution.
- Can be integrated into most therapeutic schools.

When clients express abstract emotion/thoughts → Existential therapy techniques.

* Limitations

- Very much an individualistic appr. What about people from collectivist societies?
- While some people experience self-limitations that can be broken through, others experience very real, oppressive limitations.
- Some clients prefer structure. Won't work with everyone.
- Can be viewed as lofty and elusive. Needs proper training and emotional maturity.
- Difficult to standardize and study empirically.
- Some T lack the level of maturity necc., life experience, training.

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* Formula first session task -

- How a T gives between their first & 2nd sessions
→ offers hope for change

* Exception Q - T directs clients to a time when the prob didn't exist.

* Miracle Q - 'If a miracle happened & the prob you have was solved, what would be different in your life?'

* Scaling Q - 'On a scale of 0-10, where are you w respect to ___?'

* T feedback to C - T takes a short break during each session to write a summary for C.

* Terminating - Termination begins at 1st session.

2. Narrative Therapy

* Sees life as storytelling process

* We create stories over time through our attempts to connect events in our experiences
- the way we make meaning

* process of storytelling
- we connect a no. of events into a plot
* gather more events which are consistent w the plot we dev.

* We don't create stories in isolation but through the interactions we have w others.

* These stories → infl. by the culture we live by.

Therapeutic process

* Collab w C in naming the problem.

* Separate indiv. from problem.

* Investigate how prob. has been disrupting indiv.

* Search for exceptions to prob.

* Ask C to speculate about the kind of future they could expect from the emerging competent person.

* Create an audience to sup new story
↳ the interactions w people.

Functions of narrative T

* listens w open mind

* Care, interest, respectful curiosity, openness, empathy, contact & persistence

* Active facilitator, encouraging C to share their stories

* Collab relship - C is senior

* Adopt 'not-knowing' stance, allowing guidance by C

* Listen to problem-saturated story & follow

* Believe in C abilities, talents & positive intentions.

* Person isn't the prob, the problem is.

* Help C construct preferred storyline

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