1) Treating the Various Types of Trauma

- a.) Acute Trauma
- b.) PTSD
- c.) Complex or Relational Trauma Developmental and Attachment Traumas
- d.) Extreme or Dissociative Trauma

2) Internal Family Systems (IFS): Permanent Healing of Emotional Wounds

- a.) The Origins, Goals & Assumptions
- b.) A non-pathologizing, accelerated approach, rooted in neuroscience
- c.) Different from phase-oriented treatment
- d.) The importance of our protective responses
- e.) Dealing with emotional overwhelm head-on
- f.) Multiplicity of the mind- we all have parts Healing at the cellular level

3) Managing Common Co-Morbidities

- a.) Depression, Panic Attacks, Substance Abuse, Eating Disorders, ADD and OCD
- b.) A non-pathological approach
- c.) Comorbidities as protective responses to trauma
- d.) Symptoms as "parts of the self"

4) Differentiating Therapeutic Issues from Biological Conditions

- a.) The intersection of biology and situation ("Real Mind-Body Medicine")
- b.) The therapist's role in biology- When to refer and when to work it through
- c.) The psychotherapy of psychopharmacology

5) The IFS Technique

a.) Step 1: Identifying the Target Symptom

- a. Identify the "target symptom"
- b. Apply Meditation practices
- c. Separating the person (self) from the symptom Learn about its intention

b.) Step 2: Gain Access to Internal Strengths & Resources for Healing

- a. Moving from defensiveness to curiosity.
- b. The "Self" of the therapist-countertransference redefined
- c. Access compassion to open the pathways toward healing
- d. The role of empathy in healing- the benefits and the downsides

c.) Step 3: Finding the Fear and Function of the Symptom

a. Focusing on its fear