

USING SUPERHEROES IN COUNSELING AND PLAY THERAPY WITH CHILDREN AND TEENS

Presenter: Lawrence C. Rubin, Ph.D., ABPP, LMHC, RPT-S

**Friday, April 21, 2017 ♦ 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Fort Lauderdale, Florida**

In our culture, the superhero is that ubiquitous, unique, larger-than-life figure, who by virtue of gift, accident, calling or legacy, possesses powers and abilities that allow them to fight evil, protect the innocent, and better society. Whether through flight, strength, courage, transformation, or even magic, superheroes have for decades changed the cultural and psychological landscape of our society. Given their endurance and appeal, it is not surprising that superheroes have found their way into the lives of children, adolescents, and adults; and for our purpose, the therapist's office. This beginning-intermediate level didactic and experiential workshop will explore the various and creative ways in which (play) therapists and counselors can integrate the rich and multi-layered superhero metaphor into their clinical work with children and teens.

PROGRAM LOCATION

Nova Southeastern University
Carl DeSantis Bldg. (H. Wayne Huizenga School of Business & Entrepreneurship)
Knight Auditorium – Room 1124
3301 College Avenue
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ABOUT THE PRESENTER

Lawrence C. Rubin, Ph.D., ABPP, LMHC, RPT-S is a professor of counselor education at St. Thomas University in Miami, Florida, where he directs the mental health counseling program and teaches a variety of graduate and undergraduate courses. He is also a member of the online MHC faculty of the University of Massachusetts, Boston. He provides counseling and assessment services to children, adolescents, and their families in his private practice in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. Dr. Rubin is the past Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Association for Play Therapy. Dr. Rubin is an author and editor whose most recent volumes include *Diagnostics and Treatment Skills for Mental Health Professionals: A Popular Culture Casebook Approach* (Sage), *Play-based Interventions for Children and Adolescents with Autism Spectrum Disorders* (Routledge), and *Using Superheroes in Play Therapy and Counseling* (Springer), and is a blogger for Psychology Today (Popular Culture Meets Psychology). He obtained his doctorate in clinical psychology from Nova University, and holds the Diplomate in Clinical Child and Adolescent Psychology.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

Participants will be able to:

- Discuss the role of myth and metaphor in therapy and counseling
- Describe the important social and cultural relevance of the superhero
- Discuss the key therapeutic elements of the superhero myth
- Integrate superheroes into individual and group play therapy for a range of clinical issues with children and adolescents

PROGRAM AGENDA

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Registration and refreshments
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Introduction to the superhero
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 a.m.	The therapeutic elements of the superhero myth
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	LUNCH (on your own)
1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	Clinical applications with children and teens in individual counseling
2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Clinical applications with children and teens in group counseling
3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Challenging issues / Discussion

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