

What's going on around here? Psychodynamic Thinking on Guns, Violence, and Youth in America

Hosted by Section 2 (Children and Adolescents) of the Society for Psychoanalysis and Psychoanalytic Psychology (Division 39) of the American Psychological Association (APA)

As we try to wrap our minds around the mass shootings and gun violence in this country, from Buffalo to Uvalde to Highland Park and too many others, Section 2 is hosting this two-part conversation, moderated by JT Mikulka, LCSW-R and Jordan Bate, PhD, to discuss how we as clinicians can address the mental health needs of children, adolescents, parents, teachers and schools in our communities.



Part 1: July 20, 11:30am - 1:30pm ET via Zoom **Aggression, depression, and destruction**

A conversation with Shana Grover, PhD, Ali Khadivi, PhD and Larry Rosenberg, PhD.

Part 2: July 27, 11:30am - 1:30pm ET via Zoom **Trauma and safe havens**

A conversation with Joy Osofsky, PhD and Ionas Sapountsis, PhD.

SAVE THE DATE! Link to registration to come.

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Presenter bios on next page.

Shana Grover, PhD is Associate Chief Psychologist at BronxCare Hospital and specializes in psychological assessment with children and adults. She has treated individuals with varying presentations and currently supervises and teaches psychological assessment at the New School for Social Research.

Ali Khadivi, has been practicing clinical and forensic psychology since 1991. He is board certified in assessment psychology and fellow of Society for Personality Assessment. Dr. Khadivi is a professor of psychiatry and behavioral sciences at Albert Einstein College of Medicine in Bronx, New York. He teaches clinical and forensic psychological assessment in multiple hospitals and university settings. He is also a co-author of a violence-screening tool and conducts violence and risk assessment for various institutions.

Larry Rosenberg, PhD is a member of the Adjunct Faculty at the Postgraduate Programs, Derner School of Psychology, Adelphi University. He is Past President of Section II (Child and Adolescent) of the Society for Psychoanalytic Psychology of the APA and is a past Member at Large on the Section V (applied psychoanalysis) board of Directors. Dr. Rosenberg previously served for 27 years as the Clinical Director of the Child Guidance Center of Southern CT, where he developed and directed training programs in psychology and social work. He has often provided expert testimony on child sexual abuse cases as well as providing consultation and training for state's attorneys and defense lawyers in the state of Connecticut and more recently for the United Nations Office of Project Services. Dr. Rosenberg is co-editor of the Child Section of the second edition of the Psychodynamic Diagnostic Manual and a contributor to the Adolescent Section of that manual. He is co-editor, along with Steve Axelrod and Ron Naso, of *Progress in Psychoanalysis; Envisioning the Future of the Profession*. Dr. Rosenberg is in private practice in Stamford where he sees children, adolescents and adult patients and continues to supervise and consult with clinicians and executives working in the public sector and in private practice.

Joy Osofsky, PhD, a clinical and developmental psychologist and psychoanalyst, is Barbara Lemann Professor of Pediatrics and Psychiatry at Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, where she is also Head of the Division of Pediatric Mental Health. Dr. Osofsky is Codirector of the Louisiana Rural Trauma Services Center, part of the National Child Traumatic Stress Network, and Director of the Harris Program for Infant Mental Health. Her research, consulting, and clinical work focus on infants, children, and families exposed to trauma as a result of disasters, community and domestic violence, maltreatment, and military deployment. Dr. Osofsky is past president of Zero to Three and of the World Association for Infant Mental Health. She is a recipient of, among other honors, the Sarah Haley Award for Clinical Excellence from the International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies and of the Presidential Commendation from the American Psychiatric Association, for her work in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

Ionas Sapountsis, PhD is an Associate Professor at the Derner School of Psychology of Adelphi University and the director of its School Psychology program. He is a faculty member and supervisor in the Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy and in the Child, Adolescent and Family Psychotherapy programs of the Derner School of Psychology. His articles have been published in the journals of Psychoanalytic Psychology, Psychoanalytic Review, Psychoanalytic Perspectives, and in the Journal of Infant, Child and Adolescent Psychotherapy (JICAP). He maintains a private practice in Garden City, New York.

Joseph (JT) Mikulka, LCSW-R is a soon-to-be graduate of the psychoanalytic certificate program of the William Alanson White Institute, from which he is also a graduate of the Child and Adolescent Psychotherapy Training Program. JT graduated from Hunter College School of Social Work and has published and presented his work on play therapy, working with severe pathology, severe trauma, adoption and gender transition, and on helping kids recover from war and armed conflict. JT is faculty at NIP. JT is also an associate editor of the journal *Contemporary Psychoanalysis* and a member of the board of Section II, Children and Adolescents, of Division 39. He is in private practice in New York City.

Jordan Bate, PhD is a clinical psychologist who works with children, families and individual adults, and is an assistant professor in the School-Clinical Child Psychology Program at Ferkauf Graduate School of Psychology, Yeshiva University in New York City, where she co-leads the child psychodynamic practicum. She is the current President of Section 2, and maintains a private practice in Manhattan, New York.