

RNR In the Real World – Part 1

Level

Intermediate

CE

CPA/BBS/BRN/CJER

Track

Clinical

Bio

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Tom worked for 13 years in the mental health field before joining the U.S. Probation Office in 1999. His mental health career included outpatient work with severely mentally ill adults and adolescents (including adolescents who had committed sex offenses), residential treatment with adolescents involved in the juvenile justice system and managed mental health and substance abuse care.

As a U.S. Probation Officer/Mental Health Treatment Specialist, Tom managed a specialized caseload of mentally ill clients and sex offenders for over eight years. As a Supervisory U.S. Probation Officer he led a team of six officers and was a leader in evidence-based practices (EBP) implementation. In 2015, he assumed the role of the Central District of California's first EBP Coordinator. As such, he was responsible for EBP implementation in the second largest federal district in the U.S., which included 7 counties and 12 field offices.

Tom was an original member of the California State University, Los Angeles Forensic Social Work Advisory Board and has been a part-time faculty member in the School of Social Work since 2003, teaching forensic social work. He also serves on the Board of Directors, as Chair of the Conference Planning Committee, of the Forensic Mental Health Association of California.

Tom retired from the U.S. Probation Office in 2019 after 20 years of service. He is a Senior Associate with Kmodity Corp, a corrections management consulting firm that provides implementation support, training and technical assistance from pretrial to parole to federal, state and local agencies working with justice-involved individuals.

Narrative

This workshop is designed for those considering, or in the process of, adding evidence-based practices (EBPs), particularly the Risk-Need-Responsivity (RNR) model, into their organization's assessment and treatment practices. Part One (90 minutes) will review the RNR model and cover its practical application into day-to-day mental health practice. We will discuss how to integrate a mental health recovery model with public safety goals. Part Two (90 minutes) will

practice applying an integrated model to individual treatment planning with case examples. We will then move to thoughts on a systems approach. The focus will be to use implementation science as a framework for successful implementation of the RNR model. The presenter will facilitate a series of small group discussions which will cover organizational development areas of staff selection, training, and coaching; leadership and administrative considerations as well as data driven decision making. Participants will be given time to discuss implementation science ideas and their application to forensic mental health work. This workshop is designed to be interactive and to provide attendees with networking opportunities.

Learning Objectives

Describe three best practices and explain how to differentiate them from promising practices and from evidence-based practices.

Describe two ways to apply the Risk-Need-Responsivity (RNR) model to forensic mental health practice.

Explain three ways to integrate a mental health recovery model with a public safety model in forensic practice.

Describe three ways to apply the basic concepts of implementation science to integrate the evidence-based RNR model into mental health treatment.