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Children's Reactions to Object Loss

A Two-Day Workshop for
Mental Health Professionals
Saturday and Sunday
April 26 and 27, 1980

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**The Effects of Parental Death, Divorce, and
Other Losses on Developmental Processes—
Some Therapeutic Implications**

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Golden Gateway Holiday Inn, San Francisco

Objectives

In recent years there has been a steady increase in the number of children whose development has been disturbed through the actual loss or emotional unavailability of parents. Parental separation, divorce, illness, and death are the most striking examples of experiences resulting in object loss. An understanding of the profound psychological consequences of such loss is essential to everyone working with children. This Workshop will focus on the concept of object loss, the variety of specific experiences of loss, its role in normal development, its potentially disruptive effect on the developmental processes, and the therapeutic implications of such disruption.

The morning panels will consist of presentations by well-known psychoanalysts who have contributed significantly to our knowledge in this area. The presentations will be followed by informal interaction between the panelists and discussion of questions from the Workshop audience.

In the afternoon, the participants will divide into small discussion groups with a psychoanalyst as group leader. The groups will offer the opportunity for elaboration of the material presented, and for the discussion by participants of their own experiences with problems of object loss which have arisen in their therapeutic work. The panelists will rotate through these groups, which will be arranged with regard to levels of experience and areas of interest.

Program

SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 1980

8:00 A.M. Registration

8:45 A.M. Introduction: Dr. Melvin A. Scharfman

9:00 A.M.-12:30 P.M. PANEL

Moderator: Dr. Melvin A. Scharfman

Panelists: Calvin F. Settlage, M.D.—

*Overview: The Place of
Object Loss in Development*

Mrs. Erna Furman—

*Children's Reactions to
the Death of a Parent*

Dr. Robert A. Furman—

*Preparing Children to
Cope with Loss and Grief*

(There will be a coffee break during the Panel.)

2:30 P.M.-5:30 P.M. SMALL GROUP WORKSHOPS

6:00 P.M.-7:00 P.M. Cocktail Hour

SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 1980

9:00 A.M.-12:30 P.M. PANEL

Moderator: Dr. Melvin A. Scharfman

Panelists: Dr. Judith S. Wallerstein—

The Effects of Divorce on Children

Dr. E. James Anthony—

*The Influence on Child
Development of a Psychotic Parent*

Dr. Robert L. Tyson—

Reflections on Object Loss

(There will be a coffee break during the Panel.)

2:00 P.M.-5:00 P.M. SMALL GROUP WORKSHOPS

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Panelists

E. James Anthony, M.D. (St. Louis)
Blanche F. Ittleson Professor of Child Psychiatry,
Washington University, St. Louis

Mrs. Erna Furman (Cleveland)
Faculty, Cleveland Center for Research in
Child Development

Robert A. Furman, M.D. (Cleveland)
Director, Cleveland Center for Research
in Child Development

Melvin A. Scharfman, M.D. (New York)
Director, Division of Child and
Adolescent Analysis,
The Psychoanalytic Institute, New York University
Medical Center

Calvin F. Settlage, M.D. (San Francisco)
Training and Supervising Analyst, Child
and Adult Analysis,
San Francisco Psychoanalytic Institute

Robert L. Tyson, M.D. (La Jolla)
Faculty, San Diego Psychoanalytic Institute

Judith S. Wallerstein, Ph.D. (San Francisco)
Fellow, Center for Advanced Study in the
Behavioral Sciences, Stanford

Accreditation

As an organization accredited for continuing medical education, The American Psychoanalytic Association verifies that this continuing medical education activity meets the criteria for 13 credit hours in Category I of the Physician's Recognition Award of the American Medical Association (or 7 hours for the Panels only).

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Small Group Workshop Leaders

- Joseph Afterman, M.D. (San Francisco): Supervising Analyst in Child Psychoanalysis, San Francisco Psychoanalytic Institute
- H. Spencer Bloch, M.D. (San Rafael): Faculty, San Francisco Psychoanalytic Institute
- Harold Boverman, M.D. (Sacramento): Professor of Psychiatry and Pediatrics, University of California, Davis, Medical School
- Linn A. Campbell, M.D. (San Francisco): Assistant Clinical Professor of Psychiatry, University of California, San Francisco, School of Medicine
- Phyllis J. Cath, M.D. (San Francisco): Assistant Clinical Professor of Psychiatry, University of California, San Francisco
- Calvin A. Colarusso, M.D. (La Jolla): Training and Supervising Analyst, San Diego Psychoanalytic Institute
- Harry Z. Coren, M.D. (San Francisco): Faculty, San Francisco Psychoanalytic Institute
- Lester Isenstadt, M.D. (Berkeley): Associate in Child and Adult Psychoanalysis, San Francisco Psychoanalytic Institute
- George C. Kaplan, M.D. (Berkeley): Faculty, San Francisco Psychoanalytic Institute
- H.G. Lau, M.D. (San Francisco): Assistant Clinical Professor of Psychiatry, University of California, San Francisco, School of Medicine
- Maria T. Lymberis, M.D. (Santa Monica): Assistant Clinical Professor of Psychiatry and Biobehavioral Sciences, U.C.L.A. School of Medicine
- Anna Maenchen, Ph.D. (Berkeley): Faculty; Training and Supervising Analyst, San Francisco Psychoanalytic Institute
- Byron L. Nestor, M.D. (Berkeley): Assistant Professor of Psychiatry, University of California, San Francisco, School of Medicine
- Gerald B. Olch, M.D. (Seattle): Training and Supervising Analyst, Seattle Psychoanalytic Institute
- Nicole Poliquin, M.D. (La Jolla): Faculty, Child Development and Psychotherapy Training Program, Los Angeles
- Estelle Shane, Ph.D. (Los Angeles): Director, Center for Early Education, Los Angeles
- Morton Shane, M.D. (Los Angeles): Training and Supervising Analyst, Adult and Child Psychoanalysis, Los Angeles Psychoanalytic Society and Institute
- Philip M. Spielman, M.D. (Berkeley): Director, Child Psychiatric Services, Mt. Zion Hospital, San Francisco
- Phyllis Tyson, Ph.D. (La Jolla): Guest Faculty, Clinical Associate, San Diego Psychoanalytic Institute
- Heiman van Dam, M.D. (Los Angeles): Associate Clinical Professor of Psychiatry, U.C.L.A. School of Medicine
- Kato van Leeuwen, M.D. (Los Angeles): Training Analyst, Southern California Psychoanalytic Institute
- Jules M. Weiss, M.D. (San Francisco): Faculty, San Francisco Psychoanalytic Institute
- Robert E. Westfall, M.D. (Berkeley): Supervising Child Analyst, and Faculty Member, San Francisco Psychoanalytic Institute
- Miriam Williams, M.D. (Santa Monica): Past Chairwoman, Child Analysis Training Committee, Los Angeles Psychoanalytic Society and Institute
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Prerequisites

Applications will be accepted from professionals qualified by either training or experience.

Fees and Registration

The fee for the entire Workshop is \$150.00 (\$75.00 for full-time students and residents). Because enrollment in the afternoon workshops must be limited, applicants may elect to attend the morning Panels only for a fee of \$100.00 (\$50.00 for full-time students and residents).

Please mail the attached application, together with your check, to Dr. Melvin A. Scharfman, Chairman, Subcommittee on Programs for Mental Health Professionals, American Psychoanalytic Association, One East 57th Street, New York, N.Y. 10022 (checks payable to: American Psychoanalytic Association).

Deadline for registration: March 21, 1979 (Registration for *panels only* will be accepted at the hotel, as space permits.) **Refunds:** until April 11, 1980 only. Requests must be in writing.

Advance Housing Form

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April 25, 26, 1980

Please reserve: Single @ \$43.00* ☐

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Arrival date _____ at _____M

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Application Form

Name _____
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To enable us to place you in an appropriate small group,
please fill in the following items as completely as possible.

Training (check one)

Psychiatry _____ Psychology _____ Social Work _____

Other (specify) _____

Highest degree earned _____ Yrs. of clinical experience _____

Current affiliation _____

What is the nature of your current professional work? If
clinical, include type of patients (i.e., children, adults,
family), setting, modes of therapy utilized, etc.

What was the nature of your past professional experience?
(Include same information as above.) _____

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I wish to attend morning panels only _____

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**Full-time student indicates student enrolled full-time in a degree-granting
program; resident indicates a residency in a fully accredited residency program.

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Residency Program _____

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