

# EFFT: Emotionally Focused Family Therapy: Healing Relationships and Promoting Resilience

Trainers : Gail Palmer, Jim Furrow
Data : 16 en 17 december 2019
Tijd : 09.30 uur tot 17.00 uur

Totale tijd : 12 uur Locatie : A Solution

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# Doel en eindtermen van de trainingn (Learning objectives)

## Participants will...

- 1. Conceptualize family distress using theories of emotion and attachment.
- 2. Identify the stages and markers of change in the EFFT approach.
- 3. Identify therapist practices that promote a working alliance with parents and children.
- 4. Practice key interventions common to processing attachment related affect.
- 5. Delineate key practices of EFFT from EFT work with couples.
- 6. Practice enactments used to restructure new patterns of interaction promoting new levels of safety and security in the family.
- 7. Explore the relationship of secure attachment to family patterns of resilience.

### Tijdschema:

#### 16 december 2019

09.30 uur Introduction EFFT

11.00 uur Pauze

11.15 uur Introduction EFFT

13.00 uur Lunch

13.30 uur The Process of EFFT

15.30 uur Pauze

15.45 uur The Process of EFFT17.00 uur Afsluiting dag 1

#### <u>17 december 2019</u>

09.30 uur The Practice of EFFT – Stage 1

11.00 uur Pauze

11.15 uur The Practice of EFFT – Stage 1 & 2

13.00 uur Lunch

13.30 uur The Practice of EFFT – Stage 2 & 3

15.30 uur Pauze

15.45 uur The Practice of EFFT – Stage 3

17.00 uur Afsluiting dag 2



# Werkwijze en didactische werkvormen (workshop format & proposed topics)

### Workshop Format:

This workshop will combine didactic instruction, experiential exercises, and case examples to demonstrate the practice of EFFT. Participants are encouraged to bring examples from their casework to explore the application of EFFT to their own work. When possible, live demonstration sessions are included.

### **Proposed Topics:**

A detailed schedule including specific topics and exercise is available upon request.

A. Introduction: EFFT Overview and Conceptual Approach

B. The Process of EFFT: Five core themesC. The Practice of EFFT: Three Stages

#### Stage 1. Stabilization and De-escalation

1. Alliance / Assessment

2. Decision Tree

3. Tracking Patterns and Cycles: Working through Family Distress

4. Processing Parent and Child Blocks

#### Stage 2. Restructuring Relationships

- 5. Deepening Child Vulnerability
- 6. Promoting Parental Availability
- 7. Restoring Attachment and Caregiving Responses
- 8. Expanding Impact of Renewed Connections

#### Stage 3. Consolidation

D. Impasses and Challenges in Applying EFFT

#### **Trainers:**

James Furrow, Ph.D., is a recognized leader in the development and practice of Emotionally Focused Therapy (EFT) with couples and families. Together with EFT originator, Dr. Susan Johnson, Jim co-authored Becoming an EFT Therapist: The Workbook and The EFT Casebook, along with other works specific to the practice of EFT with couples and families. His presentations are well regarded nationally and internationally for their substantive, practical, and inspiring focus. Jim maintains an active research program studying the process of EFT and its outcome with couples and families. His research appears in Applied Developmental Science, Developmental Psychology, Journal of Couple and Relationship Therapy, Journal of Marital and Family Therapy, Journal of Systemic Therapies, and Psychology and Spirituality. Formerly Jim served as the Freed Professor of Marital and Family Therapy at Fuller Graduate School of Psychology where he trained psychologists and marital and family therapists in couple therapy for over two decades. He is a clinical fellow and an approved supervisor of the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy, a member of the National Council on Family Relations, and a Certified Family Life Education. He is a certified EFT therapist, supervisor, and trainer.



*Gail Palmer*, RMFT, MSW is one of the Founding Members of the Ottawa Couple and Family Institute and Co-Director of the International Center of Excellence in Emotionally Focused Therapy. She holds a Masters degree in Social Work and is a Registered Marriage and Family Therapist in Canada. Over the past 30 years, Gail has worked closely with Dr Sue Johnson, creator of Emotionally Focused Therapy, and is an experienced supervisor and trainer in EFT. She currently offers workshops, externships and core skills trainings to mental health professionals in a variety of different settings across the world. She chairs the ICEEFT Education Committee and is responsible for mentoring and training EFT trainers internationally. Gail is an adjunct faculty member at Wilfrid Laurier University in Waterloo, Canada and a sessional lecturer at Oxford University, Oxford, England.

Gail has a particular interest in applying the model with work with families. For the past decade, Gail has been one of the lead EFT trainers who have developed and expanded on Sue Johnson's EFFT method as described in Johnson, S.M. (2004) The Practice of Emotionally Focused Couple Therapy: Creating Connection. New York, NY: Brunner Routledge. This work has included EFFT trainings across North America, Europe and Australia/New Zealand, presentations at EFT summits, workshops at the Networker and AAMFT, publications in the EFFT workbook and casebook, articles in professional journals and the ICEEFT newsletter. Professionally, Gail's primary passion is to help therapists who are both new to EFT and trained in EFT, to bring the powerful interventions and skills of this model to the family therapy room.

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