Inclusive Therapy:

A gentle way to dissolve resistance, reduce ambivalence to change and increase therapy results

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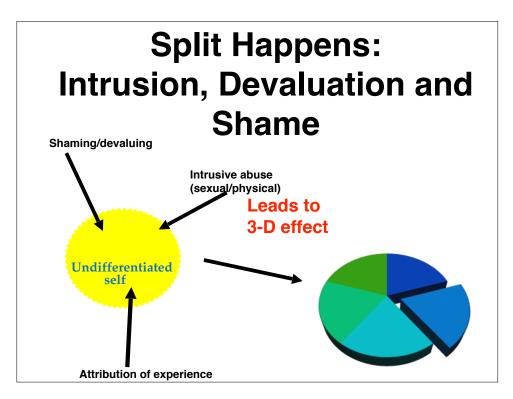
Discovering Inclusive Therapy

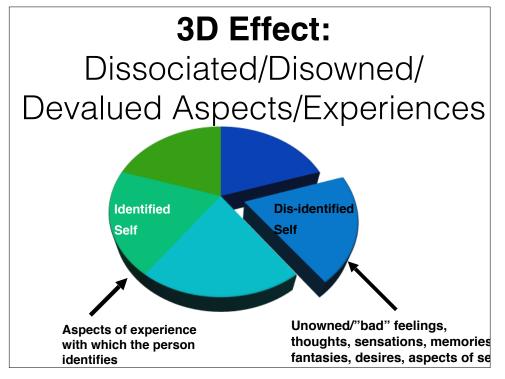
Obsessions dissolved

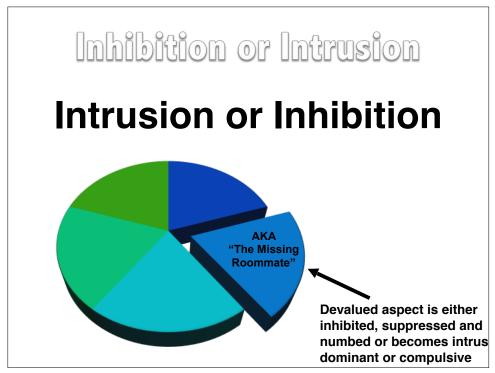
Un-differentiated Un-boundaried Self



Typical development process leading to integrated self







Inclusion Level 1

Permission #1

To You can It's okay You're okay if



Inclusion Level 1

Permission #2

Not to have to
You don't have to
It's okay if you don't
You're okay if you don't



Hand dancing

Inclusion Level 2

Inclusion of seeming opposites

You can and not
Opposite polarities
Previously incompatible
experiences/traits



"Do I contradict myself?
Very well, then I
contradict myself. I am
large, I contain
multitudes."

-Walt Whitman

"In logic, no two things can occupy the same point at the same time, and in poetry that happens all the time. This is almost what poetry is for, to be able to embody contrary feelings in the same motion."

—Donald Hall

"Anger and tenderness—my selves.
And now I can believe they breathe
in me as angels and not as
polarities. Anger and tenderness—
the spider's genius. To spin and
weave in one moment anywhere.
Even from a broken web."

—Adrienne Rich

I Am Not I (Jiménez)

I am not I.

I am this one walking beside me whom I do not see, whom at times I manage to visit, and whom at other times I forget; who remains calm and silent while I talk, and forgives, gently, when I hate, who walks where I am not, who will remain standing when I die.

I'm shy except when I'm not

Inclusion Level 3

Exceptions

That's the way it is, except when it's not
Moments of exception
Including the opposite
possibility
Recognizing complexity



The Inclusive Self Nature **Future selves** Spirituality **Exceptions** Influenced by alien Resources voices (society's/others) **Polarities Alternative Devalued aspects** (Disidentified Self Stories **Identified Self** Community (Identity Story) Previous solutions (Non-identified self)

Where to Apply Inclusion

Injunctions

Restraining - Can't, shouldn't, won't Compelling - Have to, should, will, must

Be, think, feel, know, notice, do, talk about

Undoing Injunctions

Determine the injunction

Sex is bad.

It's not okay to get angry.

I have to relax or stop obsessing.

Use any or all of the inclusive methods to undo injunctions

"It's okay to be connected and sexual."

"It's okay to get angry (be thunder and lightning) and not always be sunshine."

"You don't have to relax. If the obsessions are there, you can just let them be there."

3 Levels of Inclusion

- Permission
- Not to have to Inclusion of (seeming) opposites Exceptions