

**Practical Applications in Forensic Psychiatry 2025-2026 - 12/16/2025; The Trauma Informed Defense
Approach and The Forensic Psychiatrist's Role
December 16, 2025
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM**

Target Audience

This program has been designed for PSYCHIATRY, PSYCHIATRY AND NEUROLOGY - Addiction Psychiatry, PSYCHIATRY AND NEUROLOGY - Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, PSYCHIATRY AND NEUROLOGY - Forensic Psychiatry, PSYCHIATRY AND NEUROLOGY - Geriatric Psychiatry, PSYCHIATRY AND NEUROLOGY - Pain Medicine

Series Educational Objectives

After participating in this regularly scheduled series, participants should be able to:

- 1 Discuss the latest legal decisions in the mental health field.
- 2 Describe how to implement changes in report writing that need to parallel case law.
- 3 Discuss how to modify expert testimony to accommodate legal decisions.

Session Educational Objectives

After completing this educational activity, participants should be able to:

- 1 Describe trauma informed defense work.
- 1 Discuss the ethical considerations of the forensic professional when working with the defense in child abuse cases.
- 2 Explain the process of the assessment of juveniles in abuse cases.

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