

## Using Interweaves to Treat Complex Trauma

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We were all taught in our basic training and supervision: “Stay out of the way! Trust the client!” But what if the client’s system is too compromised from all the traumas they’ve endured? What if there’s too much missing developmentally? What if the client’s adaptations get in the way of reprocessing?

Staying out of the way IS important, but it’s not sufficient. With clients who have been severely hurt from their earliest moments, we need to know how and when to facilitate the client’s reprocessing experience, not only when they’re stuck, but also to help repair and correct early attachment wounds. This workshop is about how and when to use the Clinical Interweave Categories (CICs) developed by Deany Laliotis and Debbie Korn, using the AIP conceptualization of the case to help inform the moment to moment unfolding of the reprocessing session. You will walk away with a clear map to guide your sessions, not only bringing them to resolution, but helping your clients grow and change beyond symptom relief, transforming their sense of self as well as their relationships with others.