## WHEN THERE ARE NO WORDS: EMDR FOR VERY EARLY TRAUMA AND NEGLECT WITH DR. SANDRA PAULSEN

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**ABOUT THE PRESENTER** 

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#### Abstract

The challenges of using EMDR therapy for early trauma and neglect are that a) EMDR readily targets explicit memories, but early trauma is held in implicit memory in the right hemisphere (Siegel, Schore) and is not typically subject to direct recall, and b) Accessing the felt sense of early experience can be overwhelming if it includes the paucity of internal resources of a neglected baby.

This workshop addresses both problems by careful preparation and systematic trauma reprocessing. The preparation includes 1) containment, 2) safe state, and 3) resetting innate emotional resources, which appears to directly act upon primary process affective circuits (Panksepp, 2009) to down-regulate the experience of emotional intensity. After the three preparation steps, the method systematically reprocesses early trauma, in the absence of explicit memory. The method targets consecutive time periods beginning before birth, and installs positive experience imaginally. As a result, the client builds a foundation of a felt sense of attachment and belonging, with emergent positive cognitions, enabling the client to meet the next developmental milestone in sequence.

This process meets the requirements laid out for a therapeutic reparation of early trauma by Fosha. The procedures were developed initially by Katie O'Shea, and subsequently by the two in collaboration.

### Objectives

- Identify challenges to applying EMDR to early developmental trauma
- Prepare the client for early trauma processing with client-friendly education
- Efficiently re-install innate resources without accessing disturbing material
- Systematically target early disturbance held in implicit memory
- Use imaginal interweaves to stimulate blocked processing and ensure reprocessing is complete

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