



2019 World Family Therapy Congress – March 12 - 14, 2019

IFTA's 2019 World Family Therapy Congress: Aberdeen, Scotland

Two outstanding family therapists familiar with family dynamics will keynote the 2019 World Family Congress provided by the International Family Therapy Association Congress in Aberdeen, Scotland. Meeting at the Aberdeen Exhibit and Convention Centre (AECC), in Aberdeen March 28 - 30, 2019, hundreds of systemic therapist from over 35 countries will be attending the Congress.



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Keynote Presenters

Monica McGoldrick, MSW, PhD (h.c.), Director of the Multicultural Family Institute Teacher, is an author and family therapist who has an international reputation as a trainer and author. She is on the Clinical Faculty of the Psychiatry Department of the Rutgers Robert Wood Johnson Medical School. Her books include Ethnicity and Family Therapy (3rd ed), Genograms (3rd ed), and The Genogram Casebook (2016).



Monica McGoldrick, M.S.W., Ph.D (h.c.)
Friday Morning Plenary Address

Imelda McCarthy PhD has been a family therapist, supervisor, writer and international presenter for almost forty years and her writings have been translated into nine languages and cover the areas of sexualised abuse, poverty, gender and spirituality. Now, she works as a therapist and supervisor from her home under the rubric of, 'The Fifth Province Centre' where she also facilitates meditation groups (Fifth Province Sangha).



Imelda McCarthy, Ph.D.
Friday Afternoon Plenary Address

IFTA & Social Networking

The use of social networking sites, LinkedIn, Facebook, and Twitter are part of the world and IFTA has group pages on them. For IFTA members on Facebook ([Facebook](#)) there is an IFTA Group. To join, search "International Family Therapy Association." Once you are on the IFTA group page, click on the link to join. The list is moderated so once you make a request, the group moderator will approve you.

We now have over a 1052 Members of the IFTA Group!

IFTA also has a LinkedIn ([LinkedIn](#)) group. Similarly, search for the "International Family Therapy Association" group and request to become a member. As a member of the IFTA groups you can send messages to other IFTA members and network with people from around the world.

If you have any questions about the site or the program contact the IFTA Secretariat (iftasecretariat@aol.com).

Exciting Pre-Congress Tours

The Pre-Congress tours begin on Sunday in the following order: South Aberdeenshire Coastal Tour; V&A Dundee Museum & RSS Discovery Tour; Loch Ness & Urquhart Castl; & Glengarioch Distillery & Brewdog Brewery Tours.

***To book a tour, please [click here](#) and scroll the calendar to March 2019 to see available tours.**

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Certified Family Therapist Announcement

In an effort to continue its mission to meet the needs of family therapists around the world, the International Family Therapy Association (IFTA) has created pathways for recognition of individuals who have met the education and training requirements established by the International Accreditation Commission for Systemic Therapy Education and Training (IACSTE).

Therapists world wide may apply to become a Certified Family Therapist by meeting the standards established by the International Commission for Systemic Therapy Education (IACSTE). Interested parties should go to [request an application from the IFTA General Secretary](#).

Certified Systemic Supervisor Requirements Released

Requirements for a new certification called the Certified Systemic Supervisor have been announced by the International Accreditation Commission for Systemic Therapy Education and Training (IACSTE). The Commission has created a new supervisory pathway for recognition of individuals who have met the education and training requirements established by the International Accreditation Commission for Systemic Therapy Education and Training (IACSTE).

The 2019 World Family Therapy Congress will have a supervisory track of workshops allowing individuals working towards certification to take approved workshops towards certification.

To discover more information about the Certified Systemic Supervisor Therapists should contact the [Commission Administrator](#).

Association Information

2020 World Congress Website Opens in May

The 2020 Congress website will open in May at: <http://www.ifta-congress.org/>. The website will contain all of the information necessary for registration, abstract submission, and other details for Congress planning.

Proposal Deadline for the 2020 Congress is Sept. 30, 2019

The deadline for the 2020 Congress Proposals is earlier than ever in order to evaluate and respond to presenters earlier than in the past. If you are in an academic context, please be mindful that the deadline may occur before you return to school. [Submit your proposal now!](#)

Journal of Family Psychotherapy Online



Taylor and Francis' online site houses IFTA's Journal of Family Psychotherapy. The site can be accessed at www.tandfonline.com. Please contact Taylor and Francis for any difficulties in accessing the JFP: onlineaccesshelp@taylorandfrancis.com.

If you are a new member or renewed member, your IFTA subscription to JFP will be forwarded to Taylor and Francis quarterly. WATCH for an email from Taylor and Francis regarding how to access JFP.

Online Membership Renewal Tips

When renewing online, some members have had their credit card declined because of mistakes in entering the information. [Click here for some helpful tips for online credit card applications](#).

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• **SYSTEMIC SUPERVISION TRACK** •

The Supervision Track in the 2019 World Family Therapy Congress is designed to meet the workshop requirements for those seeking to accrue the hours for the Certified Systemic Supervisor (CSS) credential. These seven workshops and other scattered throughout the program are all eligible for use in pursuing the academic requirements of the CSS certification. *The Supervision Track will take place on Thursday March 28, 2019.*

Practice Settings and Contexts of Systemic Clinical Supervision Practice	8:30 - 9:30 (1.0)
William Northey (United States)	
The “Nuts and Bolts” of Clinical Supervision	9:30 - 10:15 (0.75)
Jay Burke (United States) Katheryn Whittaker (Cayman Islands)	
Connecting from a Distance: Nuts and Bolts of Online Supervision	10:45 - 11:30 (0.75)
Yulia Watters (United States)	
Evidence-based Clinical Supervision	13:30 - 14:30 (1.0)
Thomas Sexton (United States) Astrid van Dam (Netherlands)	
Creative Techniques in Supervision	14:30 - 15:15 (0.75)
Martin Gill (United Kingdom) Hannah Sherbersky (United Kingdom)	
Using the Person of the Therapist Training (POTT) Model in Supervision	15:45 - 16:30 (0.75)
Alba Nino (United States) Senem Zeytinoglu Saydam (Turkey)	
Supervising Cross the Professional Life Span	16:45 - 18:30 (1.75)
William Northey (United States) Mark Rivett (United Kingdom)	



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Astrid van Dam



Martin Gill



Hannah Sherbersky



Alba Nino



Senem Zeytinoglu Saydam



Mark Rivett

Calling All Couple/Marriage and Family Therapists



YOUR VOICE MATTERS!

The purpose of this research is to understand the experiences of foreign-born CMFTs who were trained in COAMFTE accredited programs in the United States and who are now practicing internationally.

Please contact Dr. Camille Lafleur at Camille.Lafleur@okbu.edu for more information on

Participation in this study involves:

- Brief Demographics Survey
- 1 Hour Interview using Zoom Video Conferencing

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