



***The Hawaii Association for Play Therapy
presents:***

Back to the Basics: The History and Fundamentals of Play Therapy

5 APT Approved CEUs included, sponsored by HAPT

**Presenter: Carla Sharp, R.N., M.S., retired Clinical Specialist in Child
Psychiatric Nursing, retired RPT-S and CST-T**

**This in person event will take place at Benjamin Parker Elementary School Library in Kaneohe
on Monday, March 27, 2023 from 9:00AM - 4:00PM**

Schedule: 8:45am check-in, 9:00am-12:00 pm training, 12:00-1:00 pm Social Hour and Spring Membership Meeting (lunch will be provided), 1:00-3:00 pm Training)

About the Presenter:

Carla Sharp is an advanced practice registered nurse who was trained in play therapy at the University of California at San Francisco while obtaining her master's degree in child psychiatric nursing. She has been working with children therapeutically in Hawaii for 28 years; in residential treatment, day treatment, outpatient treatment and in the school setting. She is a Registered Play Therapist- Supervisor (retired). Carla developed a one-year training course teaching play therapy consisting of 36 three hour classes and taught it from 2006 to 2017 at the Play Therapy Center of Hawaii. Carla is also a Sandplay Therapist and has met the criteria to become a teaching member of the International Society of Sandplay Therapists and Sandplay Therapists of America. In 2017 Carla retired and is now avidly studying astrology.

Presentation Description:

This course will put the FUN back into Fundamentals for both the new play therapist and the experienced who wish to be refreshed. Play Therapy is a treatment modality which affords the child patient the means to heal emotional wounds, resolve conflict, express and master feelings and work through trauma while utilizing the innate impulse to play. Play therapy has its roots in the early psychoanalytic movement and has become today the treatment of choice for the school-aged child. This workshop is suitable for mental health professionals with at least master's degree including psychiatric nurses, social workers, school counselors, marriage and family therapists, psychologists and psychiatrists, or for students working on a graduate degree in these fields.

The training will cover the history and major models of play therapy, therapeutic powers of play, therapeutic relationship, the stages of therapy, and themes in children's play. An experiential activity will be included.

Learning Objectives:

1. Identify the value and therapeutic powers of play therapy.
2. Summarize the history and major theoretical models of play therapy, including the pioneers, major components, and role of the therapist.
3. Identify Axline's basic principles of play therapy.
4. Identify and understand the content and process of the three stages of play therapy.

Register online at www.hawaiiplaytherapy.net

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