

AAFT 8th Annual Conference Program Schedule

Reconnecting Families and Family Therapy Communities
October 27 – 29, 2023, Hong Kong

Registration Day: October 26, 2023 (Thursday)

15:00 – 21:00	Registration at AAFT
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Day 1: October 27, 2023 (Friday)

09:00 – 09:30	Opening Ceremony	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ch'an Drum: A sound meditation that combines the unique sounds of drums, gongs, and singing bowls (Dharma Drum Mountain Hong Kong Centre) Welcome Address – Man Yung Cheng AAFT Board Chairman Takeshi Tamura, AAFT President 	
09:30 – 11:30	Opening Address	The Bottom-Up Approach in Multi-Generational Family Therapy – The Child as the Family Guide (Maurizio Andolfi/ IT)	
		Recognizing and Addressing Children's Trauma: Transforming Children in Distress into Family Healers (Wai Yung Lee/ HK)	
11:30 – 11:40	<i>Break (10 minutes)</i>		
11:40 – 13:40	Making the Invisible Visible—Revealing Hidden Trauma from Assessment Test and Retest Results (Noriko Nakamura/ JP)	Value of Family Therapy in Dealing with Emotional Disorders in Chinese Children and Adolescents (Xudong Zhao/ CN)	
	Family Assessment for Borderline Personality Disorder – What have We Learnt? (Irene Kam/ HK)	Lifelong Attachment System: Asian Model of Family Therapy (Takeshi Tamura/ JP)	
	Combining Family Therapy with Individual Treatment in the Treatment of an Adolescent with Suicidal Risk (Ansen Tse & Dickson Chow/ HK)	The Practice of Family Play Therapy in Korea (Young Ju Chun/ KR)	
	Bio-Cultural Perspective in Family Approach with Two Adolescent Cases (Suthra Auapisithwong/ TH)	The Catcher of Words: Giving Words Back Their Rightful Meaning to Reconnect Incestuous Families to Family Therapy Communities (Martine Nisse/ FR)	
13:40 – 15:00	<i>Lunch Break (1 hour 20 minutes)</i>		
14:15 – 15:00	Poster Presentations		
15:00 – 17:00	The Use of Family Therapy for Families Having Children with Autism – Scoping Review (Cindy Hsiang/ AU)	Using the Marriage and Family Therapy Practice Research Network to Improve Client Outcomes in Asia (Lee Johnson/ US)	WORKSHOP Helping Families Connecting using Collaborative Psychological Assessment: The Therapeutic Assessment as a Brief Family System Intervention <i>Noriko Nakamura/ JP & Steve Finn/ US</i>
	Integration of Systemic Principles in Child Protection Practice within a Community-based Setting in Singapore (Lee Chen Qi/ SG)	The Benefits of Family therapy for Youngsters during their Suspension Schooling Periods (Yao Yuhong/ CN)	
	The Use of Collaborative Practice and Team Approach When Working Systemically with the ADHD Child/Adolescent (David Hong/ AU)	Family Intervention for Patients with Eating Disorders: A Model in Shanghai (Peng Sufang & Chen Jue/ CN)	
	Fathers' Support Group in the Singapore Correctional Setting (Rashida Mohamed Zain/ SG)	Families First: Best Practices and Outcomes from an Integrated Approach (Sudha Nair, Nurul Jannah & Maya Shan/ SG)	
17:00 – 17:30	<i>Tea Break (30 minutes)</i>		
17:30 – 19:30	The Principles and Interventions for Consideration in the Use of Systemic Therapy with 2 Sets of Adulthood with Childhood Trauma (Tony Ong/ SG)	Blending Play Therapy with Family Therapy: A Clinical Contribution (Chiung-Hsuan Huang/ TW)	WORKSHOP The Family Biofeedback Assessment© Protocol <i>Irene Kam, Dickson Chow & Viviana Cheng/ HK</i> <i>This workshop will focus on the application of Family Biofeedback Assessment© to families to foster collaboration with interested parties.</i>
	Online and Face-to-Face Multi-Family Therapy for Adults with High-Functioning Autism Spectrum Disorder in Hong Kong during the Pandemic: Exploration of the Therapeutic Process Factors (Julia Lo & Joyce Ma/ HK)	The Use of Systemic Ideas in a Community Innovation Project in Singapore: Exploring the Healing and Transforming Interpersonal Patterns (HIPs and TIPs) in Therapeutic Conversations that Generate Hope (Sharon Sng/ SG)	
	A Grounded Theory Study on Chinese Female Spouses of Problem Gamblers in Hong Kong: Emergence of a Multiple Paradigm Coping Model (Edward Kwan/ MO)	OK: A Programme for Families Impacted by Drug Abuse (Terence Ong & Dylan Long/ SG)	
	Clinical Effectiveness of Structural Family Therapy in Treating Non-Suicidal Self-Injurious Behavior with Somatic Symptoms in Adolescents: A Neurobiological Perspective (Lu Jianping/ CN)	A Natural Magic: The Efficacy of Family Therapy in Helping Drug Users in Compulsory Detoxification (Lili Xia/ CN)	

Day 2: October 28, 2023 (Saturday)

09:00 – 10:00	Last Chance Couple Therapy: Working with Couples on the Brink of Divorce (Peter Fraenkel/ US) <i>*Zoom lecture</i>	Romantic Love: The Prerequisite and Backbone of a Harmonious Family (Ng Man-Lun/ HK)		
10:00 – 11:00	Sex Therapy with Intercultural Couples – The Opportunities and Pitfalls from the Clinical and Therapeutic Perspective (Dariusz P. Skowronski/ JP)	Systemic Ideas that Reconnect Strained Relationships in Bangladeshi Families (Zohora Parveen/ BD)		
	Applying Vulnerability Cycle Conceptualization in an unmarried couple: A Case Example (Lin Yu-Fang/ TW)	Experiences Ambiguous Loss of Family Caregivers of Dementia: A Mixed Methods Interview Study (Tomoko Ogasawara/ JP)		
11:00 – 11:10	<i>Break (10 minutes)</i>			
11:10 – 13:10	Working with Children in Divorce Families (Dickson Chow & Presley Ko/ HK)	Adding to the Debate: Working with Chinese Context in After Violence Context (Tim Sim/ SG)		
	Therapeutic Justice and the Children's Voice in Resolving Parental Conflicts in Divorce Cases: A Lawyer's Perspective and a Critical Review (Ted Chan, Honic Ip, Tang Chung Wah/ HK) <i>*this session is 45-min</i>	Parental Functions of Intimate Partner Violence Survivors (Yuki Ng & Joyce Ma/ HK)		
	Narrative Practice with Divorced and Non-residing Fathers: Practice research in Hong Kong (Hung Suet Lin Shirley, Christine Suen, Mavis Ho, Mindy Li/ HK)	Chinese Military Wives' Subjective Experiences of their Marriage and their Relationship Maintenance Strategies: A Qualitative Study (Yang Zhongshu & Joyce Ma/ HK)		
	Clinical Experience Reflection in Building Neutrality Position in Co-parenting Service in Hong Kong (Wong Siu Ping, Tang Chung Wah, Kwok Sin Nam/ HK)	Treatment Effects of the Supervised Family-Centered Services for Depressed Chinese Parents (Joyce Ma & Julia Lo/ HK)		
13:10 – 14:30	<i>Lunch Break (1 hour 20 minutes)</i>			
14:00 – 14:30	Poster Presentations			
14:30 – 16:00	World Network Meeting Moderator: Takeshi Tamura (AAFT) Chris Michaels (AAMFT), Silvia Kaminsky (AAMFT), Martine Nisse (EFTA), Anne Holloway (Australian Association of Family Therapy), Wonyoung Cho (AFTA), Jay Lebow (Family Process), Sarah Helps (Journal of Family Therapy), Lenore McWey (Journal of Marital and Family Therapy) An exchange among representatives from key organizations including AAMFT, EFTA, AAFT, AFTA, AAFT, Family Process, Journal of Family Therapy, and Journal of Marital and Family Therapy		Chinese Institute Moderators: Meng Fu & Xiangyi Chen/ CN, Hung-Chuan Lin & Feng-Jung Kuo/ TW	Korean Institute Moderators: Young-Ju Chun, Sun-Hae Lee & Insoo Lee/ KR
16:00 – 16:15	<i>Tea Break (15 minutes)</i>			
16:15 – 18:45	How Family Therapy can be Applied in Mental Health Practice Moderators: Edmund Lam, Stephen Foo, Man Yung Cheng, Anita Tsang & Irene Kam/ HK A sharing among mental health professionals	Japanese Institute Moderator: Takeshi Tamura/ JP A special institute for Japanese speaking participants	A special institute for Chinese speaking participants	A special institute for Korean speaking participants

Day 3: October 29, 2023 (Sunday)

09:00 – 10:00	Healing Intergenerational Wounds: A Relational-Neurobiological Perspective (Mona Fishbane/ US) <i>*Zoom lecture</i>	An Integrative Common Factors/Shared Strategies Approach to Couple and Family Therapy (Jay Lebow/ US)	
10:00 – 11:00	The Malaysian Narrative: The Movement of Multigenerational Family Therapy in Malaysia (Bawany Chinapan/ MY)	Integrative Family Therapy Model of South Korea (Tai-Young Park/ KR)	
	Transmission of Anxiety Across Generations – An Exploration Through Biofeedback Assessments in a Three-generation Family (Cindy Tam/ HK)	Using Photography as a Clinical Tool Within Systemic Therapy (Sarah Helps/ UK)	
11:00 – 11:10	<i>Break (10 minutes)</i>		
11:10 – 13:10	Online Couple and Family Therapy in a Post Covid-19 World (Yochay Nadan/ IL)	Pedagogy of Systemic Therapy: Roles of Practitioners, Educators and Clinical Supervisors (Nicole Chen/ MY)	
	Training the Next Generation of Family Therapists: A Review of an Indigenous Training Program in Taiwan (Wentao Chao/ TW)	"No Mirrors" Agency-based Family Sensitive Practice Training/ Community Building Project (Anne Holloway/ AU)	
	A Trainer Growing Together with a Training Program (Lin Lee-Chun/ TW)	Promoting Family Interdependence: Development of the Strength-based Dyadic Intervention for Parents and Children with Eczema (Cecilia Chan, Celia Chan, Fung Yat Lui/ HK)	
	Why Are Some Therapists Better Than Others? (Richard Miller & Taffie Kwok/ US)	Octave Institute, A Model for Community Healing and Well-being (Rosseana Wong & Tai Sook-Yee/ SG)	
13:10 – 14:30	<i>Lunch Break (1 hour 20 minutes)</i>		
14:00 – 14:30	Poster Presentations		
14:30 – 16:30	Adolescent Self-Esteem and Internet Addiction: The Mediating Role of Family Atmosphere and Behavioral Control (Hu Manji/ CN)	WORKSHOP Life Triangulation Transformation Experiential Workshop <i>Chih-Hsien Yang/ TW</i> <i>Using sculpture and role playing to demonstrate the developmental stages within relationships and equip therapists with tools for creating therapeutic maps</i>	POST-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP Adolescents' Suicide Attempts: Reaching Them on the Border between Life and Death <i>Maurizio Andolfi/ IT</i>
	The Use of Live Consultation in Family Therapy (David Hong/ AU & Darrel Lourdes/ MY)		
	Understanding the Complementarity Patterns from Clinical Perspective (Liu He/ CN)		
	Daydreams as Entry Points to Counter Stories (Hong-Ru Liang/ CN)		
16:30 – 16:45	<i>Tea Break (15 minutes)</i>		
16:45 – 18:00	Closing Ceremony Tea Meditation: By engaging in the Enlightenment of a Cup of Tea, participants will reflect on their inner processes and rediscover their connection to the environment (Dharma Drum Mountain Hong Kong Centre)		

Conference Banquet

19:00	Conference Banquet (Luxe Garden Chinese Cuisine, 1/F, 1 Lyndhurst Terrace, Central)
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