

## PSYCHOPATHOLOGY, SYMPTOM FORMATION AND ASSESSMENT

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The recent revision of the DSM-V presents a good time to revisit basic concepts of psychopathology impacting our thinking and conversations with clients about their feelings, 'symptoms' and concerns. Current and historical perspectives in psychoanalytic thought will be considered throughout our discussions with an emphasis on understanding the three-dimensional human beings we are meeting in our offices (related to brain, mind, and culture). Consideration will also be on the socio-political and biological-environmental contexts that lend themselves to the clinical impressions we form and treatment decisions we make, as well as the therapeutic actions (or interactions) our clients find helpful.

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