Professional Disclosure Statement for Mary Louise Fry, PhD, LCPC, Registered Play Therapist-Supervisor

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Thank you for trusting me as your supervisor. I look forward to walking by your side as you work with children, and families with children. This disclosure statement is intended to acquaint you with my qualifications, my theoretical model of therapy and supervision, and some basic administrative tasks.

Credentials

Ph.D. Counselor Education & Supervision, Regent University (August, 2013)
Master of Science in Education, emphasis in Counseling & Assessment, Baylor University, (August, 1975)
Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor (Kansas #235, issued in 2001)
Registered Play Therapist – Supervisor (#S-771, issued by the Association for Play Therapy in 2004)

Honors and Awards

Kansas Counseling Association (KCA) Kansas Counselor Hall of Fame, March, 2014 Kansas Association of Play Therapy (KSAPT) Rick Gaskill Luminary Award, March, 2019 Kansas School Counseling Association (KSCA) Hall of Fame, May, 2019 MidAmerica Nazarene University (MNU) Professor Emeritus, May, 2019

Professional Organizations

American Counselor Association, Kansas Counselor's Association, Association for Play Therapy, Kansas Association for Play Therapy Past-Chair of the Board of Directors for the Association for Play Therapy, and Past President of the Kansas School Counselor's Association

General Area of Competence

I first became interested in play therapy as an elementary school counselor. I saw many children in the school setting change their behaviors and resolve problems through various play therapy modalities. Later, I completed research on a group Child Centered model used in the schools. This research was published online in the APT International Journal [Fry, M. L., Maclin, V., Newmeyer, M., & Baggerly, J. (2020, June 22). Effectiveness of Child-Centered and Psychoeducational Groups on Disruptive Behavior. International Journal of Play Therapy. Advance online publication. http://dx.doi.org/10.1037/pla0000124]. From 2000 until 2019, I had a private practice that specialized in play therapy for children, adolescents, and families with children and/or adolescents. Even though my initial theoretical approach is Client Centered Play Therapy (CCPT), I follow a more prescriptive model by examining the presenting problem, the developmental age of the child, and the family unit. If it seems that the family would benefit from a more family system's approach, I use Filial Therapy. I am a certified trainer for Filial Therapy, through Dr. VanFleet's Family Enhancement and Play Therapy Center. Besides CCPT and Filial Therapy, I also use Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Solution Focused Therapy, and Adlerian Therapy.

Experience and Training in Supervision

I am approved by the Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board as a Board certified Supervisor (2017). I have been supervising school counselors and professional therapists in Child Centered Play Therapy theory and other techniques with children and adolescents since 2002. In July, 2004, I helped develop the first play therapy certificate program (MidAmerica Nazarene University). Since that time, the Association for Play Therapy has endorsed 29 such university programs. I served as Coordinator, instructor and supervisor of MNU's Play Therapy program for five years. As part of my doctoral work at Regent University, I completed a course in Supervision. I have attended and taught several workshops in supervision sponsored by the Association for Play Therapy, and completed an online directed study in supervision sponsored by the Kansas Behavioral Sciences Behavioral Board. As the coordinator for the School Counseling track at MNU (2009-2019), I supervised six school counseling interns each week in a triadic format (supervisor and two interns). In June, 2012, I taught a 24 CE course in Supervision for Play Therapists at MNU. Currently, therapists can access online asynchronous courses on supervision where I am the instructor (www.lineuplearning.com). Topics include Legal and Ethical Issues in Supervision, Methods & Techniques in Supervision, and Ongoing Evaluation of Supervision.

Model of Supervision

As a supervisor, my role fluctuates between teacher, counselor and consultant (Social Role model). When working with a supervisee who is new to play therapy, I model and teach the interventions appropriate for the client; I use the therapist-client video clips to help the therapist identify play or word themes; and I often refer a therapist to other reading resources. As the therapist becomes more experienced, I gradually allow the therapist to identify deeper case conceptualization issues by examining transference, and formulating the appropriate theoretical framework for the client.

Evaluation Procedures in Supervisory Relationship

Video clip segments from actual therapy sessions and role-plays are used to help evaluate the therapist's conceptualization of the client and to plan for future counseling. I stress the importance of following a treatment plan that shows the objectives and interventions for therapy.

Ethics and Confidentiality

I abide by the American Counseling Association's (ACA) Code of Ethics, approved by the ACA Governing Council (2014), and the Ethical Guidelines for Counseling Supervisors adopted by the Association for Counselor Education and Supervision (March, 1992). For those supervisees who work as school counselors, I abide by the American School Counseling Association (ASCA Ethical Standards for School Counselors – 2016). I believe in maintaining a high level of confidentiality in regard to the information that the supervisee shares during supervision. However, if it is discovered that any of the following situations are present, confidentiality is no longer followed: 1) Threat to harm self or others; 2) Reasonable suspicion of abuse of a child or other person; 3) If ordered by the court.

Fee Schedule

Individual Supervision: \$100.00/hour. When viewing video clips separate from the supervision session, there is also a fee of \$1 per minute. Group supervision is also available at the rate of \$50.00/hour per person.

Online Supervision

Supervision will be conducted through both the supervisee and the supervisor's computer (hard wired or wireless internet settings). The security of cell signals is questionable, therefore, if a phone is used the setting must be on "internet". I will be using the Telemedicine platform doxy.me (https://doxy.me/mlfrysupervision). Both supervisor and supervisee need to make sure that their office location is confidential and free of distractions. Earbuds or headphones will be beneficial. The computer webcam is usually sufficient for the video portion of the session. This can be tested on the website doxy.me prior to the first session. Dr. Mary's website is to be used for scheduling appointments. Texting is only for reminders or changes to the scheduled appointment time.

Supervision in a Physical Location

The Kansas Behavioral Sciences Regulatory Board requires a minimum of 50 supervision hours be conducted in the same physical space. My office location (11880 College Blvd., Overland Park, KS) will be used for these face-to-face supervision sessions (group or individual). Group supervision (no more than 6 persons) may be located in this office also. Supervision may be held on occasion at the supervisee's office location. An additional charge may apply for travel expenses. Online supervision may be arranged through a HIPAA compliant platform (see above).

Emergency Contact Information

I request that supervisees call my cell phone (913-829-0221) if there are questions regarding confidentiality, ethical issues, or emergency situations that may arise. Texting is not appropriate for relaying client information.

Supervision Contract

There is a separate contract available with specific details arranged between you, the supervisee, and Dr. Mary Fry, the supervisor. If you are interested in pursuing supervision, you may request an appointment to review these specifics. This appointment is at no charge.

Mary L. Fry, Ph.D., LCPC, RPT-S Kansas BSRB approved Supervisor