

Imago Relationships International

Procedure 8.4

Flexible Access Clinical Training Guidelines for BCT (Basic Clinical Training)

Overview

The Flexible Access Clinical Training (FACT) program is designed to make Imago BCT training programs more accessible to a broader range of people.

- Requires a lower cost initial commitment
- Attracts therapists who teach Imago from the “Getting The Love” book, and encourages them to experience first-hand the power of Imago clinical skills, and understand the value of continuing a training journey
- Matches flexibility offered by many competing approaches, enabling professionals to manage their training time around their other obligations
- Establishes the concept of an Imago Training journey, which does not end with Certification, but continues beyond
- Provides an effective way for trainings to be offered in a wider range of locations
- Provides a platform for increasing access to diverse groups by enabling us to take trainings into a wider range of locations and at lower starting cost
- Provides opportunities for educators to learn core dialogue skills, without committing them to also learn deeper regressive skills they are unlikely to use

The key features of the program are:

- Trainees can sign on for just one FACT module at a time
- Typically the Certification route would include the following:
 - FACT A (BCT days 1&2) – Two day training
 - FACT B (BCT days 3&4) – Two day training
 - Join an Imago Small Group clinical training (Course 200SG) to complete Certification course Part I (8 days)
 - Continue on Part II clinical consultation for 6 months (or more)
 - Ongoing supervision and continuing education to maintain certification

Comparison of FACT and Course 200SG

Training days	FACT	Typical Course 200SG
Introductory day	Optional	Optional
Weekend Workshop	Required by day 3	Required by day 1
1	A Day one – 8 CEU Day two - 8 CEU	First session 32 CEU
2		
3	B Day three – 8 CEU Day four – 8 CEU	32 CEU
4		
5	Join 200SG	Second session 32 CEU
6		
7		Third session 32 CEU
8		
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10		
11		
12		
Part II consultation and tape review	Required for certification	Required for certification
Continuing education and/or supervision	Required to maintain Certification	Required to maintain Certification

3. Registration

The modular training is designed so that the first module can be organized by Imago Relationships International. IRI will set up a venue, advertise take registrations, and pay for a faculty member to deliver the training. (See Procedure 9.3 for fees)

Registration will be supported by IRI through creating a file in our web-based system for each trainee, which will track them as they progress through the training. This file will register as pre-requisites, modules and tape reviews are completed. Original documents will be collected by the IRI Training Coordinator.

The relevant training agreement must be completed prior to joining the training.

When applicants register IRI will set up the file with their pre-requisites etc: This gives trainees the ability to register for more trainings, and they will have their own training dashboard to enable registrations and track progress. IRI will then also keep in regular communication with these “training members” and encourage them to join additional trainings.

The pre-requisites, including the couples workshop are not required for the first two day module. However they must be completed prior to joining the third day of clinical training.

Clinical Instructors may also organize their own modular training sessions. In this case 20% of the training revenue is payable to IRI. Information should be provided to IRI so that the trainees files can be set up and tracked. See procedure 9.3 for more details)

Modular training may also be offered at conferences, for example the Networker or Smart Marriages. In this case after the training IRI will contact attendees to invite them to register in our system ready for ongoing trainings and to complete an IRI training agreement.

4. Content of the Modular Training

The content of the modular training will follow the form specified in the current Clinical Training Manual.

5. Structuring FACT courses

The recommended approach to FACT is to deliver the four day content in two sessions, each of two days of training.

There will be circumstances in which it may be beneficial to offer FACT in one-day trainings, for example to take opportunity of a conference workshop organized by a third-party such as the Networker or AMFT. The trainee tracking system will enable us to record and track people who have only completed one day.

6. Continuing from FACT onto course 200SG

Trainees completing the first four days of FACT may register to complete the last 8 days (or last two sessions) of Course 200SG.

Admission is at the discretion of the Course instructor, and all pre-requisites must also have been completed. The Trainee may be required to prepare a tape and/or reports prior to joining Course 200SG.

The price for joining the last 8 days of Course 200SG is given in the Course Catalogue, and fees due to IRI are given in procedure 9.3

Certification procedures are the same as those for course 200SG. Certification will require the therapist to meet ongoing continuing education requirements to keep their certification valid.