

Calendar of Events

- September 14, 2025 **Anna Ornstein Memorial Tribute**
11:30 AM - 01:30 PM EST
Please save the date.
Details coming soon.
- September 21, 2025 **Welcoming Siblings to Self Psychology: Exploring Vertical and Lateral Selfobjects**
09:00 AM - 10:00 AM EST
Sunday, September 21st
The Complexities of Identity Interest Group presents:

*Dr Claire Hart on "Welcoming Siblings to Self Psychology:
Exploring Vertical and Lateral Selfobjects"*
- October 16, 2025 **46th Annual IAPSP International Conference**
- October 19, 2025 **The Westin Pasadena**
 191 N Los Robles Ave.
 Pasadena, CA 91101
09:00 AM - 01:00 PM PST
- November 16, 2025 **Online Education Committee Event**
12:00 PM - 02:00 PM EST
Save the Date!
Details coming soon!

February 20, 2026
- February 23, 2026

Canberra and Region Self Psychology Community Conference

Check flyer and link for details

*Beneath the Surface: Configurations and Treatment of Narcissism, A Somatic
Intersubjective Self Psychological Approach*

*A weekend conference (in person or live-streamed) for those who work with survivors of developmental trauma (often diagnosed with a personality disorder).
Integrating a psychodynamic approach with somatic, affective and developmental-relationship yearning.*

Clients presenting with archaic narcissistic needs are often experienced as “difficult”, and branded as BPD, personality disorder or some other DSM label. They are the ones who drain us, bore us, humiliate us, idolise us, infuriate us, regularly disappear, and eventually make us feel useless.

A nuanced understanding of their healthy developmental strivings and hopes for relational repair can help us sidestep the otherwise inevitable relational re-traumatisation.

The 2026 CRSPC conference will present an understanding of difficult, narcissistic presentations, offering six innovative configurations of narcissistic dynamics emerging from analysis of childhood developmental trauma. Combining self-psychological perspectives with somatic, affective and developmental understanding of relational dynamics, these ‘difficult’ clients are treatable.

Presentations will explore clinical case material to illustrate the challenges of treatment, as well as the complex interplay between developmental history, selfobject functions, affective expression, bodily experience, and relational contexts to offer new pathways for clinical intervention.

A tribute to Dr. Ron Lee one of Australia’s key practitioners and teachers of Self Psychology will also be held during the conference.

*Conference Keynote Speaker: Daniel Perlit MD, Psychoanalyst, Canada
Board of directors and faculty of IASP, IAPSP
Adjunct Lecturer Uni Toronto Supervisor, Psychiatry Dept, St Joseph’s Hospital*

*Conference Organiser: Sandra Lauffenburger MSc. Psychotherapist, Australia
Council Member IAPSP Co-director, SISP, Canberra Clinical Supervisor PACFA*

*To register, please go
to: www.canberraselfpsychology.org and www.selfnmotion.com.au*

Coming Soon

The Child and Adolescent Initiative Presents: A Different Kind of Invisible Power
12:00 PM - 01:15 PM EST