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# Working with Interpreters with Refugee Populations in Healthcare Settings and for Asylum Evaluations

#### Elizabeth Carll, PhD, Betsy Gard, PhD, and William Salton, PhD

Many asylum seekers and refugees do not speak English. Interpreters are needed to help the mental health professional communicate with the client and family in healthcare settings and when conducting asylum evaluations. This skills building webinar is focused on working with interpreters to provide trauma informed services to address the needs of the growing number of refugees, immigrants, and internally displaced people worldwide. Information about participating and being listed in the Refugee Mental Health Resource Network will also be discussed. The first portion of this webinar will address the role of the interpreter and provide an overview of the standards of practice for interpreting in health care settings. Recommendations for the mental health professional before, during and

after the meetings will be presented. The different challenges for all parties in this process will be discussed and suggestions made to help the psychologist/mental health professionals understand and address issues that can arise. The second portion of the webinar will present issues when working with interpreters in conducting a psychological examination of an asylum seeker in order to prepare an affidavit for court. The presentation will focus on assessing the accuracy of the interpretations, helping the interpreter to speak with the asylum seekers in the appropriate voice (and affect), help the interpreter as both a presence and a "non-presence" in the room, and assist the interpreter with his/her own experience of being exposed to the asylum seekers trauma.



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#### Wednesday, May 17, 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Eastern

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