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Presented by four time
Nobel Peace Prize
Nominee,
Vamik D. Volkan, M.D.

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Schedule

8:30-9:00am Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00-9:15am Welcome and Announcements by Lisa Schulman, Ph.D., SEFAPP President Introduction by Donna Bentolila,, LCSW

9:15-10:45am Presentation by Dr. Vamik Volkan

10:45-11:00am Break

11:00am-12:30pm Open Discussion

12:30pm Complete evaluation forms and adjourn

Directions

Memorial Regional Hospital Auditorium A, B, C & D 3501 Johnson Street Hollywood, FL 33021 954-987-2000 www.mhs.net

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Presentation

For over 35 years, Dr. Volkan, continuing a tradition begun with Sigmund Freud, has been interested in the psychology of large-group human behavior, political leader-follower relationships, political ideologies, religion, and wars. Especially after the Holocaust, many psychoanalysts began to examine the influence of massive trauma at the hand of the Other and its transmission through the generations. This presentation describes Dr. Volkan's findings in largegroup psychology and explores collaboration between psychoanalysis and diplomacy. He describes large-group identity, be that identity tribal, ethnic, national, religious or ideological, how it develops and how that identity - an identity that does not have one brain to think or two eyes to cry - can inspire people to kill in its name. When ten thousands or millions of members of a large group share a psychological journey, what we see are social, cultural and political processes that are specific for the large group under study. The presenter provides detailed information on historical events and individuals

Objectives

1-Discuss what is meant by "large-group identity," how it develops, and why people kill in the name of that large-group identity.

2-Analyze how the understanding of the genesis and psychodynamics of large-group conflict and terrorism may contribute to a conceptual plan of action.

3-Describe psychopolitical concepts such as transgenerational transmission of trauma, difficulty in mourning, chosen trauma, entitlement ideology, time collapse and fusion of individual identity with large

Presenter

Vamık D. Volkan, M.D., a four time nominee of the Nobel Peace Prize, is an emeritus professor of psychiatry at the University of Virginia School of Medicine, Charlottesville, Virginia and emeritus training and supervising psychoanalyst at the Washington Psychoanalytic Institute, Washington, D.C. He is the president of the International Dialogue Initiative (IDI), and a past president of the International Society of Political Psychology, the Virginia Psychoanalytic Society, the Turkish-American Neuropsychiatric Association, and the American College of Psychoanalysts. He is the author, coauthor, editor and coeditor of dozens of books. Dr. Volkan has been involved in international relations for over 35 years heading interdisciplinary teams, including psychoanalysts, and conducting years-long unofficial diplomatic dialogues between Arabs and Israelis, Americans and Soviets, Russians and Estonians, Croats and Bosnian Muslims, Georgians and South Ossetians, Turks and Greeks, as well as studying post-revolutionary and post-war societies such as Albania and Kuwait. After September 11, 2001 he was also a member of the International Psychoanalytic Association's (IPA's) Terror and Terrorism Study Group.