

Dan's REVISED Study Guide to Exam 2
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Role distinctions and differing goals of therapists and attorneys.
Civil Law vs. Criminal Law. Who is offended? What are the punishments?
Know more about the Tarasoff Case.
Know how courts are to determine reasonableness (Tarasoff)
Can MFTs predict violent behavior? How? What are some of the cues one needs to observe in the assessment of violent behaviors?
How perfect must we be in our assessment of potential violence?
Duty to protect and Duty to warn. Do either/both of these pertain to us?
Mandated Reporters. Be able to name 10 of them by profession.
How do you report? Time constraints, modalities. Differences between "elder" and "child" on reporting. Child: Immediately/36 hours; Elder: Immediately/ 2 business days.
How to work with a boss who wants to report for you.
What constitutes abuse? What is the rule on mental/emotional abuse? Neglect?
What protections are available for Mandated Reporters?
How to make a call, report.
One Time Automated Report
Fines, punishment for failure to report.
Why do we have a child abuse law, anyway?
Child abuse as a federal crime. Really?
Sexual conduct among children, teens, young adults, adults. What are the ages where one can play? How do the age distinctions break down?
Some things people do as "sex play" are more serious (by law) than the "real thing." Elaborate.
What about my priest? Is he a Mandated Reporter?
The relationship between the law and cultural tolerance or acceptance of underage sexual contact.
More on sex with patient. This'll be on every test. Can't say enough about it.
Advertising my practice. Dos and Don'ts.
Keeping records. Must I? How long must I keep records?
What are the basic rules of gaining consent from parents to counsel their minor children? Married parents, divorced parents, unmarried parents, step-parents, etc.
Two kinds of malpractice liability insurance. Know this stuff; the two kinds discussed in class. Claims-made policy vs. occurrence-type liability policy for LMFTs. Which is preferred? Why? Which is cheaper, why?
Consent for treatment of minors. Start on page 59 of the Atkins et al. book.
Subpoenas; don't fumble these.
Family Court Services. What is it? How does it work? Why do we have it?
What are the factors used to predict violence?
What about testimonials? "87% of Dr. Smith's patients feel significant relief from Major Depression symptoms."
Advertising, business cards.
Telehealth; technological advances vs. legal advances.
Ages for Child, Dependent Adult, and Elders.
Where in law for child abuse law and dependent adult/elder abuse law
Tarasoff conditions for reporting.

Problems diagnosing family therapy cases from DSM-5; Medical Doctors can easily diagnose because everyone gets their own diagnosis; not so with family therapy.

Disclosure rules for HIV.

What about keeping records? How long must we hang on to them?

What is a Caregiver's Authorization Affidavit?

Dr. Smith suggests that he can do "systemic therapy" when there is only one family member present. What is this nut-bag talking about? Sheesh.

Can we file an Adult Protective Services report on an elder him-/herself? Why can't we do this with children?

IPV. What do we report? Why/Why not?

Reason why DSM is truly NOT compatible with family therapy?

How long must we store client records? What if the patient is a minor child?

Our textbook suggests we should intervene in clients' lives if there is IPV. Your instructor disagrees. What's his problem?

Let's say you state on an insurance form that your client has Major Depressive Disorder when they only have some transient depression. When a therapist does this kind of thing so the insurance will pay for therapy . . . it is called _____.

Know who gets to/has to consent to treatment of children. Know the various iterations where divorce may be involved in seeking treatment.