

NORTHWEST BEHAVIORAL HEALTH IPA PRESENTS

Eric Ström, JD

**Law & Ethics of New Technology
in Clinical Settings**

Community Health Education Center

3333 Squalicum Parkway

BELLINGHAM, WASHINGTON

Friday, April 17, 2020

8:20 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

THE PRESENTER: Eric Ström, JD

NWBHIPA is proud to welcome Eric Ström for his fifth time as a workshop presenter.

Eric Ström is an attorney and Licensed Mental Health Counselor. As an attorney, Eric provides legal counsel, consultation, and guidance to mental health professionals. Eric's counselling practice is focused on providing counseling services to combat veterans and their families. Eric currently serves on the American Mental Health Counselors Association Ethics Committee and is the ethics advisor for the Washington Mental Health Counselors Association.

Eric also provides clinical supervision and consultation to mental health providers and teaches a range of courses in counseling and professional ethics at a variety of graduate and undergraduate programs, including Antioch University and Seattle University.

Eric earned a Master of Arts Degree in Counseling Psychology from the Northwest School of Professional Psychology at Argosy University Seattle, graduated cum laude from Wayne State University School of Law in Detroit Michigan, attended the Hague Academy of International Law in the Hague Netherlands, received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Linguistics from the University of Michigan, and is currently working towards his PhD in Counselor Education and Supervision at Oregon State University.



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Workshop Description

New technology can provide us with powerful tools to connect and communicate. Despite (or even because of) this power, many mental health professionals feel uncertain in the ethical and legal parameters of using new technology in clinical settings.

This 6 hour law & ethics seminar is designed to present the evolving legal, ethical and practical standards for the use of new technology in clinical practice. In this seminar we will discuss Washington State and Federal laws, and a range of applicable ethical codes as we work through real-life and hypothetical case studies. Participants will gain an understanding of how to strategically make use of new technologies in their clinical practice. Emerging technologies such as cryptocurrency, geolocation, smart speakers, and voice recognition will be addressed.

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Workshop Schedule

8:20-8:30	Opening Remarks
8:30-10:15	Sources of Law and Ethics Standards Telehealth
10:15-10:30	Break
10:30-12:00	Technology across jurisdictions Video conferencing platforms
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch
1:00-2:15	Phone, Email, & Text Communications
2:15-2:30	Break
2:30-4:00	Managing an Online Presence Emerging Technology Q & A

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Workshop Objectives

Participants of this seminar will be able to:

- Identify the sources of ethical standards regarding clinical use of technology
- Identify Washington State laws and regulations regarding clinical use of technology
- Describe and apply Federal HIPAA standards regarding technology in clinical practice
- Create strategies to effectively and ethically employ new technology in a clinical practice
- Describe how various state jurisdictions apply to telehealth and distance counseling
- Identify legal and ethical standards regarding personal and professional online presence

WHAT IS NWBHIPA?

What is NWBHIPA?

The Northwest Behavioral Health Independent Providers Association is a not-for-profit group of over 300 mental health providers throughout Whatcom, Skagit, Island and San Juan counties in Washington State. The NWBHIPA is now in its 15th year and is dedicated to providing quality mental health care that is safe and confidential to patients and collegial support and excellent educational opportunities to members. Membership in the NWBHIPA is available for a one-time fee of \$150. Benefits include discounted tuition to all NWBHIPA sponsored continuing education workshops. www.nwbhipa.org

This workshop is approved for 6 continuing education credits by the Northwest Behavioral Health Independent Providers Association (NWBHIPA). NWBHIPA is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. NWBHIPA maintains responsibility for this program and its content.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

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\$75 IPA members

\$105 Non IPA members

\$50 Student with current ID (limit of 10)

Late fee of \$15 added after April 3, 2020

\$150 IPA Membership one-time fee

Certificates of completion available to all attendees.

Registration includes lunch.

Pay ONLINE using PayPal or by check or money order payable to NWBHIPA and mailed to NWBHIPA, PO Box 1661, Mount Vernon, WA 98273-1661.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Full refunds minus a \$25 processing fee will be offered with written requests received by April 3, 2020. **No refunds after April 15, 2020.**

ACCOMMODATIONS

Special room rates of \$104 have been made available at the Holiday Inn & Suites--Bellingham Airport. [Click here to reserve a room.](#)

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