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**Psychotherapy for Borderline Personality Disorder: Current Progress, Challenges, and Future Directions**

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**SPEAKER:**

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**Abstract:**

In the last decade, research on treatment for borderline personality disorder (BPD) has accelerated knowledge. Psychotherapy remains the cornerstone of effective treatment. Although several psychotherapies (dialectical behaviour therapy, mentalization therapy, transference focused therapy, general psychiatric management) have shown to be effective, there is work to be improve outcomes and to increase access to treatment. In this presentation, important changes in the treatment field are summarized including approaches to tailoring treatment (e.g., adaptations for BPD and PTSD) as well as new or complementary treatments to enhance outcomes. Additionally, this presentation will review efforts to improve access to treatment including the use of briefer treatments, stepped care and generalist care.

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**Learning Objectives:**

1. Appreciate the limitations of current evidence-based psychotherapies for BPD
2. Become familiar with the current state of research to personalize therapies for BPD and adaptations for specific subgroups (e.g., BPD and PTSD)
3. Become familiar with current approaches that might improve access to treatment for BPD.

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**References:**