This symposium will provide an authoritative update for psychologists, counsellors, nurses, social workers, psychiatrists, journalists, researchers, healthcare managers, lawyers and others involved in working with the aftermath of trauma. There will be presentations from international specialists dealing with some of the most important issues in the field today. The morning session will cover complex trauma reactions, the treatment of traumatised children and challenges posed by research. The afternoon session will focus on civil war and organized violence in different settings, and strategies for responding to large scale incidents, including some of the early lessons from the evaluation of the London July 7th bombings.
Interventions for Traumatised Populations: An Expert Update from ISTSS

The Programme and Schedule at a Glance

8.30 Registration Desk Opens
9.30 Welcome – Stuart Turner, ISTSS President
9.40 Developmental Trauma Disorder: A Proposed Diagnosis for DSM V.
Bessel van der Kolk, Past-President of ISTSS; Medical Director of the Trauma Center; National Child Traumatic Stress Network; Professor of Psychiatry, Boston University School of Medicine. Many chronically traumatized children and adults have complex adaptations to trauma that are not captured by the PTSD diagnosis. This talk will present the criteria for the proposed diagnosis, as well as supporting databases and treatment data.

10.05 Psychosocial Therapeutic interventions for Children with Traumatic Stress Reactions.
John Fairbank, Past-President of ISTSS; Associate Professor of Medical Psychology in the Department of Psychiatry, Duke University Medical Center; Co-Director of the UCLA-Duke University National Center for Child Traumatic Stress. An overview of the current state-of-the-art in the development and dissemination of empirically supported interventions for child traumatic stress.

10.30 Treating Adult Complex Trauma Survivors.
Marylène Cloitre, Director, Institute for Trauma and Resilience; Cathy and Stephen Graham Professor of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry NYU Child Study Center. Differing treatment approaches will be examined as they are relevant to various “core symptom sets” associated with chronic traumatization.

10.55 Coffee
11.25 Longitudinal Studies in PTSD. How do they inform practice?
Alexander McFarlane, Past-President of ISTSS; Head of the University of Adelaide Node of the Centre of Military and Veterans Health in South Australia. Long-term naturalistic follow-up data will be presented to challenge some of the prevailing assumptions about PTSD.

11.50 Treatment Outcome Research.
Patricia Resick, President-Elect of ISTSS; Director, National Center for PTSD (Women’s Health Sciences Division) VA Boston Healthcare System; Professor of Psychiatry and Psychology, Boston University. The components of state-of-the-art treatment research will be described within a framework of modern understandings of cognitive behavioural treatments for PTSD.

12.15 Questions and Discussion
12.30 Lunch Included

14.00 Parental PTSD Appears to be a Relevant Risk Factor for the Development of PTSD.
Rachel Yehuda, Professor of Psychiatry at the Mount Sinai School of Medicine, and Director of the Traumatic Stress Studies Division at the Mount Sinai School of Medicine and Bronx Veterans Affairs Medical Center. This presentation summarizes recent studies in offspring of parents with PTSD.

Stuart Turner, President of ISTSS, Chair of Trustees of the Refugee Therapy Centre and Chair of Trustees of the Centre for the Study of Emotion and Law. Cultural, therapeutic and legal issues arising in work with refugees in the UK.

14.55 Tea
15.25 What do we know about early interventions after trauma?
Richard Bryant, Scientia Professor of Psychology at the University of New South Wales. A description of cognitive behaviour therapy techniques for early interventions for PTSD, recent developments in identifying recently traumatised people at high risk for PTSD, the evidence for early interventions for PTSD, and their limitations.

15.50 Five Principles of Psychosocial Intervention in the Immediate and Midterm Aftermath of Mass Casualty.
Stevan Hobfoll, Distinguished Professor of Psychology at Kent State University; Director of their Applied Psychology Center and the Summa-KSU Center for the Treatment and Study of Traumatic Stress; Senior Fellow in the Center for National Security Studies at the University of Haifa. Five basic principles of psychosocial intervention in the immediate and midterm aftermath of mass casualty have been determined by an international group of experts on disaster and terrorism as a blueprint for intervention following mass casualty, based on review of the empirical literature.

Chris Brewin, Professor of Clinical Psychology in the Subdepartment of Clinical and Health Psychology, University College London; Honorary Consultant Clinical Psychologist specialising in the treatment of PTSD at the Traumatic Stress Clinic. The screen and treat model used to guide the mental health response following the London bombings will be presented and contrasted with a crisis counselling approach. Preliminary outcome data for the brief evidence-based intervention for PTSD will be presented.

16.40 Discussant (followed by questions).
Ulrich Schnyder, Vice-President of ISTSS; Professor of Psychiatry and Head, Department of Psychiatry, University Hospital, Zurich.

17.00 Close

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