



The Toronto Institute for Contemporary Psychoanalysis
is pleased to present the 4th Annual Willock-Ipp Lecture

MEANING MAKING

EDWARD TRONICK
PH.D.

Saturday, November 2, 2019

Innis Town Hall Theatre, 2 Sussex Ave., Toronto, M5S 1J5 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

About The Day

Dr. Tronick states that psychotherapy is about changing the meaning people make about themselves in the world and meaning, and that private meaning is at the core of a variety of approaches to therapy. However, we have typically misconstrued the nature of meaning and the processes making meaning in deep ways that limit our understanding of how humans function. Based on Dr. Tronick's research on infant development and how infants and young children make meaning of themselves in the world, he will discuss meaning making as a neurosomatic biopsychological process in which different systems make different kinds of meaning. Dr. Tronick argues that the meaning made by infants and adults is made up of multiple forms of meaning, which are at best messily put together into a more or less coherent sense of themselves – what he calls a state of consciousness. Moreover, that a primary way that meanings get made or changed is when individuals – parents and children or analyst and analysand – bring together their individual states of consciousness to form dyadic states of consciousness. Dr. Tronick's argument relates to the work of Modell on the private self and the critical nature of meaning. This presentation will be illustrated using video of infants engaging with objects and people, including the still-face in young infants and toddlers, and recent studies of stress and memory.

Morning Session:

The Neurosomatic Making of Meaning without Words or Symbols

Afternoon Session:

The Dynamics of Meaning Making

Learning Objectives

1. To understand how infants are makers of meaning about themselves in relation to the world in typical and pathological settings.
2. To identify different levels of processes - emotions and physiology – that make meaning for the infant and child.
3. To understand how multiple meaning levels suggest changes in conceptualizations of transference and state of the patient and therapist.

Schedule of the Day

- 10:00 a.m. Introduction
10:10 a.m.: **Dr. Edward Tronick**
“Neurosomatic Making of Meaning Without Words or Symbols”
11:00 a.m.: Audience Discussion
12:00 – 2:00: Lunch **on your own*
2:00 p.m.: **Dr. Edward Tronick**
“The Dynamics of Meaning Making”
3:00 p.m.: Audience Discussion
4:00 p.m.: Closing remarks

ABOUT THE SPEAKER

Ed Tronick, PhD is a developmental neuroscientist and clinical psychologist. Dr. Tronick is a University Distinguished Professor of Developmental Brain Science at the University of Massachusetts Boston and a Research Associate in the Department of Newborn, Medicine Harvard Medical School. He is internationally recognized for his research on infant neurobehavior and infant face-to-face infant interactions. He formulated that Still-Face paradigm, and the Mutual Regulation Model with its reparation-mismatch theory of interactions and therapeutic interactions. He has done research on child development and parenting in Kenya, Zambia, Peru, Grenada, and diverse communities in the USA. His current research focuses on infant memory for stress and epigenetic processes affecting infants' and parents' behavior. He has published more than 300 scientific articles and 4 books, several hundred anthropological photographs. He co-founded the Brazelton Touchpoints program. He founded and is Head Faculty of the University of Massachusetts Infant-Parent Mental Health Fellowship Program with its multidisciplinary and international fellows and its award-winning training program. He has received the Zero to Three Lifetime Achievement Award and the Society for Research in Child Development Award for Scientific Contribution to Child Development. His research is funded by National Institutes of Health and National Science Foundation, and has appeared on national radio and television programs and lectured internationally, including talks in London, Rome, Bangkok, Melbourne, Lisbon, Pretoria, and multiple cities in the USA.

Judi B. Kobrick, Ph.D. is President, supervising analyst, faculty and founding member of the Toronto Institute for Contemporary Psychoanalysis (TICP), faculty at Toronto Psychoanalytic Institute & Society (TPS&I) and is in private practice.

Planning Committee

Dr. Robert Besner	Dr. Hazel Ipp	Dr. Hilary Offman
Dr. Sarah Turnbull	Dr. Judi B. Kobrick	Dr. Gary Rodin
Dr. Brent Willock	Dr. Gordon Yanchyshyn	

ACCREDITATION

This program has been approved by the **Ontario Psychological Association** to offer continuing education for psychologists and psychological associates. This program meets the criteria for 4 continuing education credits.

This event is an accredited group learning activity (section 1) as defined by the Maintenance of Certification Program of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, and approved by the **Canadian Psychiatric Association (CPA)**. The specific opinions and content of this event are not necessarily those of the CPA, and are the responsibility of the organizer(s) alone

ABOUT THE TICP

The Toronto Institute for Contemporary Psychoanalysis offers a four-year program of professional and scholarly education that examines, contrasts and where possible, integrates the thoughts and methods of major perspectives in contemporary psychoanalysis. The TICP brings outstanding investigators from around the world to present their work to professionals and scholars interested in expanding their knowledge of psychoanalysis.

SAVE THE DATES: FUTURE TICP EVENTS

Dr. Josh Levy – January 25, 2020
Dr. Virginia Goldner – March 7, 2020
Dr. Jeanne Wolff-Bernstein – May 23, 2020

REGISTRATION

Registration is limited. All cheques must be made payable to TICP. Cancellation must be made in writing; if received prior to **October 18, 2019** a full refund less \$25 will be given. There are no refunds after that date.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

Province _____

Postal _____

Telephone _____

Email _____

Professional Affiliation (Please indicate if MD)

FEES

Earlybird Registration Deadline is **October 18, 2019**

TSCP Member: \$170 / \$180

Regular: \$180 / \$190

Student: \$100 / \$120

ONLINE REGISTRATION AT:

www.ticp.on.ca

QUESTIONS?

info@ticp.on.ca

416.288.8060

To register by mail please send this form to:

TICP Administration Office
c/o Suzanne Pearen,
Administration Manager TICP
17 Saddletree Trail
Brampton, ON L6X 4M5