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## Factors Influencing The Effectiveness Of Psychodynamic Psychotherapy For Substance Use Disorder Among Young Adults

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### Abstract:

*This concentrate rapidly researches the impacts of supportive alliance, psychodynamic technique (PT), and their connections to results in psychodynamic grown-up psychotherapy. Utilizing the Adult Psychotherapy Connection Q-Sort for PT and Treatment Cycle Observational Coding System-Alliance Scale, free raters arranged 200 experiences from various treatment stages. Measures of issue evaluation were collected using the Adults' Conduct Agenda and Brief Issue Screen during consumption and at every tenth treatment meeting. Exams with staggered demonstration revealed a strong relationship between the PT and the remedial partnership. Specifically, higher PT utilization in relation to helpful collaboration predicted fewer problematic behaviors, while higher PT utilization in relation to low restorative union predicted more problematic behaviors. Issue comorbidity influenced this association to such an extent that an increase in physical therapy use didn't significantly impact adults with comorbid disorders, even when a strong beneficial collaboration was demonstrated. According to findings, using psychodynamic mediations is demonstrated to be one of a partnership's main areas of strength, especially for adults with non-comorbid difficulties. Psychodynamic interventions could have a negative impact in the unlikely event that a beneficial alliance isn't established. Maintaining a strong relationship is important for those with comorbid difficulties.*

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### Introduction:

Psychodynamic psychotherapy has long been considered an important treatment approach for young adults with substance use disorders (SUDs), providing a thorough understanding of the underlying mental causes contributing to compulsion. Nevertheless, a variety of elements that affect its outcomes

determine how effective this corrective practice is. Comprehending these variables is essential to enhancing therapeutic approaches and improving recovery outcomes for young adults struggling with SUD. The erratic interactions between these variables will be examined in this talk, providing light on how these interactions affect the feasibility of

psychodynamic psychotherapy in treating substance abuse in this population.

The singular's capacity for change is a crucial factor affecting the feasibility of psychodynamic psychotherapy for SUD in young people. Young adults may begin therapy at different stages of availability, ranging from pre-contemplation to engagement, which may have an impact on their commitment and response to interventions. People who are more inspired and prepared to deal with their substance use will typically be more receptive to psychodynamic interventions, which will enhance the effectiveness of their therapy.

Furthermore, the type of healing relationship that develops between the therapist and the young adult patient has a crucial role in determining the course of treatment. Open communication, the examination of underlying problems, and the management of emotions related to substance use are all fostered by a secure and supportive collaboration that works with notable restorative gains. Conversely, a strained or broken restorative alliance could hinder development and undermine the feasibility of psychodynamic interventions.

Furthermore, the complexity and severity of the young adult's co-occurring psychological wellness disorders and drug use have an impact on the efficacy of psychodynamic psychotherapy. Individuals with more severe SUD or co-occurring mental illnesses may need a tailored strategy that incorporates additional therapeutic techniques or supplemental medications to truly meet their various needs.

Moreover, socio-social elements like peer pressure, social background, financial standing, and relationship complexities have a significant impact on how well psychodynamic psychotherapy works for SUD in young people. Comprehending and addressing these rational elements within the restorative cycle is essential for enhancing social skills, strengthening treatment commitment, and reducing anticipated barriers to recovery.

A plethora of interrelated factors, such as the severity of substance use and co-occurring disorders, individual readiness for change, the nature of the remedial relationship, and socio-social effects, shape the viability of psychodynamic psychotherapy in treating substance use disorder among young adults. Clinicians can optimize treatment outcomes and further develop results for young individuals navigating the complex territory of substance misuse and dependency by identifying and attending to these elements within a supportive environment.

#### **Literature Review:**

Driessen et al. (2015) conducted a randomized clinical trial comparing psychodynamic treatment (PDT) with cognitive-social therapy (CBT) for severe depression, with the focus being on expert-evaluated outcomes. From the advisers' perspective, the assessment evaluates the suitability of these two remedial approaches, providing insights into how they view the outcomes of therapy. Advisors analyzed the results and found that both PDT and CBT were equally

effective in reducing bothersome symptoms. According to expert evaluations, this suggests that both restorative methods can be important in treating severe grief. The review highlights the importance of taking into account specialist rated metrics in psychotherapy research and deepens our understanding of adviser perspectives on treatment outcomes.

Egger et al. (2015) inspect the transient expense adequacy of (CBT) and (PDT) for the treatment of (SAD). The review examines the financial implications of these two restorative approaches and provides insights into how cost-effective they are in managing SAD. This suggests that PDT, which offers nearly equal therapeutic benefits to CBT but may be more cost-effective, can be a good alternative for treating SAD. The analysis highlights the importance of considering financial considerations when making treatment decisions and provides crucial information to experts and policymakers in the field of medicine.

Flückiger et al. (2018) directed an investigation into the role of the remedial union in adult psychotherapy using a meta-scientific combination. The review aims to provide a thorough understanding of how the coalition affects treatment outcomes in various restorative methods. The findings suggest that a strong therapeutic alliance is consistently associated with favorable treatment outcomes in a variety of psychotherapy approaches. In addition, the analysis highlights how important it is to consider the collaboration's goals and tasks in addition to its bond when predicting therapeutic viability. This meta-analysis

highlights the role of the helpful union as a standard approach to working with restorative transformation and contributes to the growing body of literature elucidating its relevance in adult psychotherapy.

Goldman et al. (2018) examine the relationship between the mix of psychotherapy and the restorative collaboration observed in treatment outcomes. The review aims to explore the implications of different approaches of psychotherapy combination on the viability of the resulting restorative collaboration. The findings suggest that some forms of psychotherapy collaboration are associated with more stable remedial coalitions, which consequently predict improved treatment outcomes. However, the focus also highlights the complexity of the relationship between joining and colluding, showing how specific mix strategies may change in viability depending on the supportive environment. This study emphasizes how important it is to take into account how beneficial techniques and the restorative coalition interact in order to maximize treatment outcomes.

Halfon et al. (2020) investigate psychodynamic play therapy using multimodal influence inquiry, focusing on the analysis of emotional articulations during remedial meetings. The purpose of the review is to provide insights into the therapeutic process of psychodynamic play therapy by examining the emotional correspondence between the adult client and the adviser. The findings reveal instances of emotionally charged

transactions that contribute to beneficial progress, highlighting the role of effect guidance and sensitivity in producing positive outcomes. This study emphasizes the value of nonverbal communication in the restorative relationship and provides a novel holistic approach to the examination of psychodynamic play therapy. The findings offer recommendations for future clinical research and highlight the importance of treating emotional cycles in adult psychotherapy.

## **Methods:**

### **1. Study Design:**

These data were gathered as a part of a more extensive exploration study designed to evaluate treatment parameters that are likely to be effective and measure PDT result indicators using a naturalistic cycle result plan. The viable treatment factors are manuscripts that have emerged from the very data set and that can be tracked down in the information straightforwardness explanation to some extent cross-over with this informational collection. Istanbul Bilgi College Mental Center, a solitary facility in Istanbul, Turkey, was the target of the review. The Istanbul Bilgi College Morals Board of Trustees approved the review convention.

### **2. Study Population:**

Istanbul Bilgi College Mental Center, a sliding-scale mental health facility, is situated in the area. By supplying the number of wards, the housing expenditure (a copy of the rent, lease, or mortgage payment), and the annual household income, one may apply for a discounted rate for all psychotherapy services. References were provided by the

guardians or by professionals in mental health, clinical mental health, and adult government aid. Following referral to the facility, a doctorate-level clinical physician with over 10 years of authorized experience conducted screenings for the patients' guardians and adults. The clinician received training in mental talking techniques and formative psychopathology. Determining if the patients satisfied the review convention consideration standards was the aim of the screening. Adults between the ages of 4 and 10 were taken into consideration for the review, since play-based mediations have been widely established for pre-endlessly young adults. Adults who presented with severe symptoms and a high likelihood of trying self-destruction (in terms of plan, means, and purpose) were sent to a long-term trauma facility instead of being accepted. Before treatment started, patients and their families received a full explanation of research systems. The guardians nodded wisely and calmly. Adult participants gave their spoken agreement for research purposes regarding the use of their data, which included meeting transcripts, recordings, and surveys.

### **3. Data Collection:**

Between the time of admission and the last meeting of the psychotherapy cycle, the mothers finished the CBCL, and the teachers were given the (TRF). The Adults' Worldwide Assessment Scale (CGAS), which measures worldwide competency, was completed by the experts once they were admitted. At regular intervals (every tenth treatment meeting), each member was also questioned about

problematic behaviours using the (BPM), which the moms had filled out. Each psychotherapy session was videotaped, then examined. For in-meeting PT and restorative coalition coding's, the primary examiner chose the meeting during which the BPM was finished. The transcripts and tapes from the sessions were randomly ordered, and raters were free to evaluate the entire session using TPOCS-A and CPQ. They were impartial raters who were unaware of the purpose of the review and had no affiliation with the patients or treating physicians. A total of 200 meetings—one for every tenth session of treatment for each adult—were categorized.

#### 4. Demographic Information:

In addition to the psychometric tests, the segment data (guardians' age, training, income, and marital status) was obtained through the use of a standard admission form and information gleaned from the underlying admission interview.

#### 5. Data Analysis:

Standard qualities of patients were accounted for utilizing descriptive measurements.

#### 6. MLM Models:

Each model (longitudinal prohibitive model) was given time-fluctuating boundaries and check limitations in order to examine the impact of accommodating association and PT on the outcome. We have already considered the basic effects of the PT and the valuable alliance score of every meeting in order to evaluate Hypotheses 1 and 2. To examine the correspondence influence, the outcome of the pharmaceutical agreement and PT was added as an additional time moving

level 1 variable in Hypothesis 3. We experimented with the effects of adding or externalizing comorbidity for Hypothesis 4 using the pre-treatment CBCL scores. Due to the extreme fake coding of enlistment, a code of 1 was assigned to the comorbid externalizing/incorporating group if the adults in the comorbid class had a T score of more prominent than 60 on the two CBCL externalizing and incorporating measures. The results of the two-way cross-level collaborations between problem comorbidity and restorative partnership, as well as problem comorbidity and physical therapy, were promptly incorporated into the model. Adults' age, sex, and CBCL all-out difficulties were our time-invariant covariates at Level 2 that we used as control variables.

The following was the final MLM model to be tested:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{BPM Total Problems}_{ij} = & \beta_{00} + \beta_{10}\text{Phase}_{ij} + \beta_{20}\text{PT}_{ij} \\ & + \beta_{30}\text{TA}_{ij} + \beta_{01}\text{Age}_j + \beta_{02}\text{Sex}_j + \beta_{03}\text{CBCL Total Problem}_j \\ & + \beta_{04}\text{Comorbidity}_j + \beta_{40}\text{PT} * \text{TA}_{ij} + \beta_{24}\text{PT}_{ij} * \text{Comorbidity}_j \\ & + \beta_{34}\text{TA}_{ij} * \text{Comorbidity}_j + \beta_{44}\text{PT}_{ij} * \text{TA}_{ij} * \text{Comorbidity}_j \\ & + e_{0ij} + u_{0j} \end{aligned}$$

Prior to initiating the MLM investigations, we constructed "empty" staggered two- and three-level (meetings within patients inside advisors) models. The dependant variable in these models was BPM absolute problems, and there were no indicator factors. The expert level ICC was 0.001, indicating that advisors contributed approximately 0.001% of the variation in BPM across all issues. This suggests that advisor differences were not the cause of the variance. On the other



hand, 53.45% of the variation in BPM absolute issues was reflected by the between-patient ICC, which was 0.53 ( $p < .001$ ). This result suggested that since not all change could be inferred from meeting level characteristics, a two-level model was appropriate. ML Win v3 and SPSS 26 were used to guide all of the investigations.

## RESULTS:

### 1. Study Sample:

#### 1.1 Adults:

Potentially eligible patients were excluded primarily for not meeting the requirements for consideration, which included having a CBCL T-score greater than 60 on the issue scales. A total of ninety-seven of these individuals were assigned to the review test and supported clinical issue levels. As a result of not completing the assessment phase, 18 of these patients required additional information. Table 1 presents the segment qualities of the review associate.

**Table 1:** The demographic features of the sample (N = 80)

Age (years), N (%)	
4-5	19 (23.75)
6-7	29 (36.25)
8-10	32 (40)
Mean (SD)	7.88 (1.93)
Median	8.00
Sex, N (%)	
Female	35 (43.75)
Male	45 (56.25)
Referral reason, N (%)	
Rule-breaking and aggressive acts	30 (37.5)
Anxiety and depressive complaints	25 (31.25)
School-related problems	20 (25)
Social problems	5 (6.25)

Clinical characteristics, N (%)	
CBCLa	
Internalizing—Borderline	5 (6.25)
Internalizing—Clinical	14 (17.5)
Externalizing—Borderline	2 (2.5)
Externalizing—Clinical	5 (6.25)
Comorbid	54 (67.5)
Parents' monthly gross income, N (%)	
<\$450	35 (43.75)
\$450-600	33 (41.25)
>\$600	12 (15)
Parents' education level, N (%)	
Primary/middle school	28 (35)
High school	21 (26.25)
Bachelor's degree or higher	29 (36.25)

#### 1.2 Therapists:

38 clinical doctors pursuing graduate degrees served as the mentors; 92% of them were female and ranged in age from 23 to 35 ( $M = 26.56$ ,  $SD = 4.17$ ). Generally, three patients ( $SD = 2.03$ ; territory: 1-6) were treated by advisers.

#### 1.3 Treatment Descriptive and Adherence:

In the continuing review, 80 patients had varying treatment durations; the mean number of meetings for this case was 40.13 ( $SD = 21.70$ ). Each patient went to around 20 gatherings, 65% of the example went to roughly 30 gatherings, and 47% went to something like 40 gatherings. The meetings' mean psychodynamic adherence score was  $r = 0.50$  ( $SD = 0.18$ ) indicating a significant impact size between our meetings and the ideal archetypal PDT meetings.

## 2. Outcome Analyses:

### 2.1. Reliable and statistically significant shift:

The CGAS scores both before and after therapy, TRF assimilating, externalizing, and all out-issue scores, and CBCL descriptive data are presented in Table 2. Pre- and posttreatment assessment measures were examined using

a MANOVA (see Table 2), and the results were astounding:  $F(7, 72) = 17.32$ ,  $p < .001$ ,  $\eta^2 = 0.63$ . As a result, univariate analyses were conducted, using an importance level of 0.007 based on Bonferroni revisions. The outcomes uncovered huge change on all scales with the exception of TRF incorporating issues ( $p = .06$ ).

**Table 2:** Comparison of Scores Before and After Treatment (N = 80)

	Pre-treatment		Post-treatment		Repeated Measures ANOVA	$\eta^2$	Mean Difference	95% CI for Difference
	M	SD	M	SD				
CBCL internalizing problems	19.99	9.48	12.68	8.23	45.80**	0.39	-8.33**	[-10.50, -6.16]
CBCL externalizing problems	22.10	10.50	13.43	9.71	63.42**	0.46	-9.70**	[-11.89, -7.52]
CBCL total problems	69.50	20.53	44.20	23.40	77.50**	0.52	-26.32**	[-32.08, -20.56]
TRF internalizing problems	12.60	9.52	10.77	6.55	4.593	0.06	-2.84	[-4.76, 1.10]
TRF externalizing problems	16.33	15.19	11.16	10.28	11.90**	0.14	-6.19**	[-9.30, -3.07]
TRF total problems	49.42	30.08	37.35	20.16	14.85**	0.17	-13.08**	[-19.54, -6.63]
CGAS	68.52	11.09	58.20	11.50	75.95**	0.50	11.34**	[8.96, 13.70]

### 3. Change Over Time:

Table 3 presents the consequences of the longitudinal unrestricted model. The underlying effect of time (i.e., stage) on BPM was significantly reduced in all out

problems ( $\beta = -0.91$ ,  $SE = 1.17$ ,  $t = -7.45$ , 97% confidence interval  $-2.22$  to  $-1.64$ ,  $p < .001$ ). Similarly, time explained 15% of the inside tolerable change in BPM all out difficulties, indicating a medium impact.

**Table 3:** Interrelationships Between Symptom Characteristics, Demographic Data, and Aggregated PT, Therapeutic Alliance, and BPM Scores (N = 80)

Variable	M	SD	1	2	3	4	5	6
(1) Sex	7.74	2.94	-					
(2) Age	1.55	1.52	-1.24	-				
(3) CBCL total problems	70.48	19.92	1.16	-1.14	-			
(4) PT	7.20	1.73	-1.23	-1.09	-1.08	-		
(5) Therapeutic alliance	28.84	7.41	-1.42**	1.38**	-1.07	1.06	-	
(6) BPM total problems	16.40	8.20	1.14	1.14	1.50**	-1.14	-1.05	-

**Conclusion:**

Important experiences are uncovered by this groundbreaking research on the impact of remedial collaboration, psychodynamic technique (PT), and their interaction on the outcomes of psychodynamic adult psychotherapy. A complex link is revealed by the review's meticulous analysis of 200 treatment sessions using a variety of assessment tools and free raters. It becomes apparent that the effectiveness of PT primarily depends on the type of beneficial coalition. Specifically, increased PT use in conjunction with a robust remedial coalition is associated with a decrease in problematic behaviors, emphasizing the synergistic relationship between compatibility and technique. However, in cases of weak restorative collaboration, PT may unintentionally exacerbate problematic behavioral patterns, highlighting the necessity of a solid foundation for effective mediation. Furthermore, the balance impact of problem comorbidity displays a complex dynamic, suggesting that the benefit of physical therapy (PT) may be diminished in the presence of comorbid disorders, even while a strong remedial union remains significant for all instances. Consequently, the findings support a crucial approach that emphasizes the appropriate placement of psychodynamic mediations in the context of a relationship's strong points, which is particularly beneficial for adults with non-comorbid issues. In the end, the review

emphasizes the primary role that fostering and maintaining a robust restorative alliance plays, especially for adults coping with co-occurring disorders. It also emphasizes the role that this alliance plays in ensuring successful remedial outcomes in psychodynamic adult psychotherapy.

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