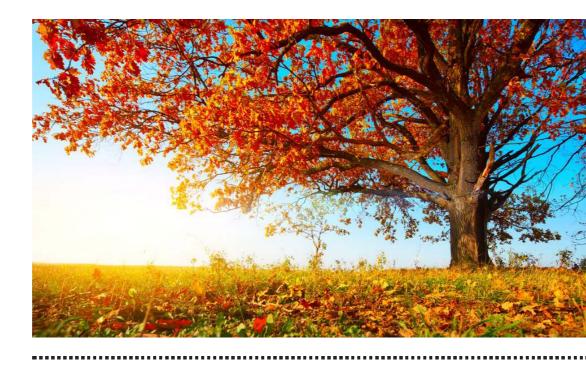


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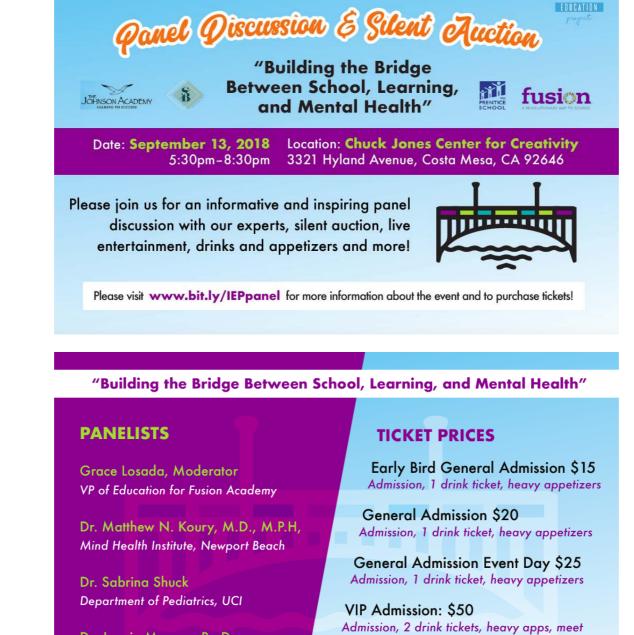
Fall officially begins on September 23rd. It is a season for letting go of what we no longer need...unhelpful habits, thoughts and beliefs. As we watch the leaves begin to change and fall from the trees, we are reminded that change can be beautiful. We can make space for growth and renewal. What are you ready to let go of?



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DBT Center of Orange County is happy to be a

as main sponsors of The Inclusive Education Project's (Non-Profit) "Building Bridges" fundraiser event on September 13th, 2018. The aim of this event is to bridge the gap between school, learning, and mental health. The event will feature a panel of guest speakers, a silent auction, and time for networking. The event is open to anyone in the community including parents, families, educators, and providers! INCLUSIVE



Meet Our Newest DBTOC Team Member!

and greet with panelists, priority silent auction

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mental illness and trauma, as well as psychological testing. Sarah graduated from The American School of Professional Psychology at Argosy University, Orange County, with a Doctorate in Clinical Psychology and a Concentration in Child and Adolescent Psychology in 2016. Sarah is passionate about the work she does and strives to provide the skills needed to better understand the mind/body connection and the importance of active self-care. Sarah considers herself fortunate to be a part of the process in supporting patients on their path to a Life Worth Living.

focused on working with high-risk children, adolescents, and families with

September is Suicide Prevention Month NATIONAL



treatment to those who need it most. So how can you get involved? Hashtag #BeThe1To #BeThe1To is the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline's message for National Suicide Prevention Month and beyond, which helps spread the word about actions we can all take to prevent suicide.

Don't be afraid to ask the tough question.

Weihello Ask.

When somebody you know is in emotional pain, ask them directly:

"Are you thinking about killing yourself?"



Research shows people who are having thoughts of suicide feel relief when

talking about suicide may reduce rather than increase suicidal ideation.

A number of studies have indicated that when lethal means are made less available or less deadly, suicide rates by that method decline, and frequently

someone asks after them in a caring way. Findings suggest acknowledging and

suicide rates overall decline. • Be There

• Keep Them Safe

reduce feelings of hopelessness.

overwhelmed, and more hopeful by after speaking to someone who listens without judgment. • Help Them Stay Connected

Studies indicate that helping someone at risk create a network of resources and individuals for support and safety can help them take positive action and

Individuals are more likely to feel less depressed, less suicidal, less

#BeThello Making contact with a friend in the days and weeks after a crisis can make a difference in keeping them alive.

Check in with the person you care about on a regular basis.





STOP is a Crisis Survival Skill in our Distress Tolerance Module. These skills help you tolerate and survive stressful situations that cannot be avoided. A "crisis situation" can be many things: giving a stressful presentation at work, driving in traffic, having a challenging conversation and more!

When emotion is high, it is easy to act impulsively or engage in destructive behavior. The STOP skill can help you to stop, slow down and respond in Wise

2. <u>Take a Step Back</u>: Take a step back from the situation. Take a break. Take

3. Observe: Notice what is going on inside and outside of you. What is the situation? What are your thoughts and feelings? What are others saying or

Observe

- Take a Step Back

- Stop

4. <u>Proceed Mindfully:</u> Act with awareness. In deciding what to do, consider your thoughts and feelings, the situation, and other people's thoughts and feelings. Think about your goals and proceed mindfully in Wise Mind. From: DBT Skills Training Handouts and Worksheets, Second Edition, by Marsha M. Linehan.

Our Blog

new principles, strategies, and protocols to address addiction and has numerous Random Clinical Trials (RCT's) in support of its effectiveness. **Dialectical Behavior Therapy In Action: Using Skills at**



Mind. Follow these steps:

a deep breath.

doing?

1. Stop: Do not react. Don't move a muscle! Freeze.

with skills you CAN use in the moment. Read this blog to learn how DBT skills can help!

Disneyland Disneyland is a magical place, AND (dialectically speaking), Disney trips can be *exhausting*. It's hot, crowded, you walk miles over the course of

the day, and expectations are high all around. It's difficult to stay skillful and effective, or even to come up

DBT and Substance Abuse:

Did you know that there is a Dialectical Behavior Therapy curriculum specific to targeting Substance Abuse? DBT-SUD adds

Follow Us On Instagram! Don't just look. Observe. Don't just swallow. Taste. Don't just sleep. Dream. Don't just think. Feel. Don't just exist. Live!







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