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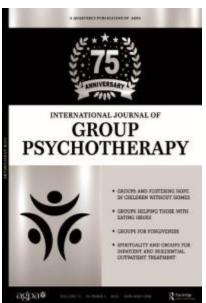
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## AMERICAN GROUP PSYCHOTHERAPY ASSOCIATION CELEBRATES $75^{TH}$ ANNIVERSARY OF THE INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF GROUP PSYCHOTHERAPY

**NEW YORK, February 27, 2025**— The American Group Psychotherapy Association (AGPA) announced that it was celebrating the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the *International Journal of Group Psychotherapy* with a special edition of the *Journal* in January 2025.

The *International Journal of Group Psychotherapy* is the official scholarly journal of the American Group Psychotherapy Association, is a leading source of information for group therapists. Published by Taylor & Francis, its articles and reviews offer insight into the current field of group psychotherapy, including theory, empirical research, practice models, special issues on important topics and reviews of up-to-date research in the field of group psychotherapy. It is edited by Cheri Marmarosh, PhD, CGP, ABPP, AGPA-F, Associate Professor of Clinical Psychology, George Washington University, Washington, DC, USA.

For 75 years the *International Journal of Group Psychotherapy* has been a place for group therapists to express and explore the power of groups. To celebrate this milestone anniversary, the *Journal* will pay tribute to the most



influential papers that have appeared in its history, as nominated, and voted on by the Editorial Board. In Volume 1 after each paper, leaders in group therapy will provide commentaries that address the article's impact on practice, training, and research, as well as standing the test of time. In addition to celebrating papers from the past, three innovative new group papers will explore how group therapy addresses racism, discrimination, and aggression. The Anniversary Issue celebrates the *Journal's* accomplishments while also shining light on the important group work it will continue to do.

"The International Journal of Group Psychotherapy is the pre-eminent peer reviewed scholarly source for best practices and research in the field of group psychotherapy," said Lorraine Wodiska, PhD, ABPP, CGP, AGPA-F, AGPA President. "Its relevance and longevity speak to the excellence and timelessness of the content contained within its pages, of use to group therapists and mental health professionals everywhere."

The American Group Psychotherapy Association (AGPA) is the foremost professional association dedicated to the field of group psychotherapy, operating through a multi-organizational structure: AGPA, a professional and educational organization; the Group Foundation for Advancing Mental Health, a philanthropic arm; the International Board for Certification of Group Psychotherapists, a standard setting and certifying body; and the Affiliate Societies Assembly representing 21 local and regional affiliate societies providing continuing education, consultation, and support for group therapists across the country. AGPA represents over 2,000 mental health professional members, including clinical psychologists, clinical social workers, and psychiatrists, as well as mental health, family, school, and pastoral counselors, many of whom have been recognized as specialists through the International Board for Certification of Group Psychotherapists. AGPA members are experienced licensed mental health professionals who lead psychotherapy groups and/or various non-clinical groups. Many members are organizational specialists who work within the corporate world, non-for-profit organizations, and other groups to help them improve their functioning and delivery of services.

AGPA is committed to supporting the dignity and psychological safety of every individual without discrimination regarding race, ethnicity, gender, religion, sexual orientation, age, or disability. Central to our mission is a belief in the power of groups to treat mental illness, heal the scars from traumatic events, and enhance the well-being of adults and children in their families, schools, corporate settings, and communities.