



Washington Baltimore Center
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**2018 Raphling Memorial Lecture
and
Celebration of the Beginning of the New Academic Year**

**Speaker:
Robert M. Galatzer-Levy, MD**

"The Edge of Chaos and Emergence: A Clinician's Guide"

**Friday
October 12th, 2018
7:30 – 10:00 pm**

**Location: The George Washington
Mount Vernon Campus
West Hall B-108**

Please join us on Friday October 12, 2018 from 7:30-10:00pm, in memory of David Raphling, M.D., and as a means to get together and celebrate the new academic year.

The evening will begin with a presentation followed by discussion. Immediately following the presentation, we will be serving wine and dessert. So please join us for an evening in which we can think and learn together and then socialize a bit, something we have too few opportunities for.

Dr. Galatzer-Levy is a psychoanalyst of children, adolescents and adults who serves on the faculties of the Chicago Psychoanalytic Institute and the University of Chicago. He first came to psychoanalysis as a patient in late adolescence while pursuing undergraduate and graduate studies in mathematics at NYU's Courant Institute of Mathematical Science. He says that the most important result of his first analysis was that he was able to go to medical school even though his mother wanted him to. While a resident at the University of Chicago during education at the Chicago Institute, Dr. Galatzer-Levy started writing about psychoanalysis and related subjects, a process that continues into the present with the publication of 6 books and more than 140 papers and book chapters on topics ranging from life course development to child custody evaluations. His latest book, Nonlinear Psychoanalysis: Notes from Forty Years of Chaos and Complexity Theory was published by Routledge last summer. His current interests include the further development of ideas about nonlinear systems including the fractal nature of boundaries, various aspects of criminal justice including gun violence and false confessions, and most of all his four grandchildren.

Presentation: Integrating ideas from clinical psychoanalysis, the theory of complex systems, and nonlinear dynamic systems theory, this paper provides a model of psychoanalytic process. It starts with the discovery by Bertha Pappenheim (Anna O.) of "chimney sweeping" or free association, examines this and related processes using Bion's concepts of the elements of psychoanalysis, and integrates these ideas with those of nonlinear dynamic systems theory. The core psychoanalytic process involves freeing psychological elements from overly rigid or insufficiently integrated configurations so that they may recombine resulting in the emergence

of new more functional configurations. This is accomplished by bringing aspects of the psyche to the edge of chaos and order, through such techniques as free association. These conceptualizations are illustrated using clinical and non-clinical examples.

Targeted Audience: Washington area mental health students, researchers, and providers.

Learning Objectives: Upon completion of this conference participants will be able to:

- describe the clinical usefulness of the concept of emergence of psychological configurations in normal development and in the psychoanalytic process.
- identify and therefore regulate the edge of chaos and order in analytic processes.
- differentiate that the core of psychoanalytic technique lies in methods common to the development of complex systems rather than in the elaborated theories of psychoanalysis and how this insight effects analytic technique.

2 CME/CE credits

Registration:

\$40 – WBCP members (Full, Life and Active Life)

\$60 – Other Membership and Non-member Washington Area Mental Health professional, student, researchers and providers

No Cost – WBCP PSP students/ Institute Candidates

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Registration Deadline: October 8, 2018

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