



IFS Group Consultation Experience – working with therapist parts

Friday afternoons 1pm to 2.30pm QLD time

Hi all

It's been another full year of IFS Consultation and my various groups have been very popular once again. I am humbled by your support and positive feedback and so, I'm offering the following IFS Group Consultation experience in 2025:

- Monthly sessions for 90 minutes per session
- Six sessions in total (group will be capped at 6 participants)
- Sessions will take place on the as per dates below:
 - o Friday 24th January, 2025 – 1pm to 2.30pm QLD time – 90 minutes
 - o Friday 21st February, 2025 – 1pm to 2.30pm QLD time – 90 minutes
 - o Friday 21st March, 2025 – 1pm to 2.30pm QLD time – 90 minutes
 - o Friday 11th April, 2025 – 1pm to 2.30pm QLD time – 90 minutes
 - o Friday 2nd May, 2025 – 1pm to 2.30pm QLD time – 90 minutes
 - o Friday 30th May, 2025 – 1pm to 2.30pm QLD time – 90 minutes
- **Payment of \$850 due two weeks before first session**

My aim in setting up this group is to provide a space for you as a therapist to work on the typical therapist parts that may come up when engaging with clients. Examples include parts that may feel:

- Anxious
- Stuck or impatient
- Not good enough as a therapist
- Frustrated at a perceived lack of progress
- Moments of Self-doubt
- Times of being overwhelmed
- Over-responsible
- Judgmental
- They want to help at all costs

It is anticipated that working through our own therapist parts will help consolidate and deepen our understanding of the principles of IFS in our practice. Additionally, **because I am a Certified IFS therapist and an IFS-I Approved Clinical Consultant you may be able to claim a portion of your involvement with the group toward your own certification process. If this is part of your motivation for joining the group – please check the IFS-I guidelines for certification which have changed recently.** Involvement in this supervision group is also intended to provide therapists with the opportunity to: engage with like-minded therapists; access support around using the IFS model; and contribute to the establishment of a positive, supportive, and encouraging IFS community in Australia.

All sessions will be held virtually on Zoom. Registration is for the full experience, no refunds will be made for missed sessions, nor will sessions be recorded **so please check dates carefully**

- The group will be closed and will run for 6 months in total – one 90 minute session per month
- 1pm QLD time - open group with a meditation and brief check in (15 minutes)
- 1.15pm QLD time – case presentation (20 minutes)
- 1.35pm QLD time – working on your own therapist parts that come up (35 minutes)
- 2.10pm – QLD time feedback and facilitated group discussion (20 minutes)
- 2.30pm – QLD time close group
- Each therapist will have one opportunity to present a case and receive consultation. But much rich learning is available in the weeks where therapists hold space and provide clinical expertise and Self energy for the therapist who is presenting.

The group will use the ‘Suggested Guidelines for IFS Presentation’ as outlined in Appendix K of the IFS Manual. A copy of this will be provided to participants before the group commences.

The group will be facilitated by:

Dr Shaun Dempsey is a Clinical Psychologist in private practice, Townsville, QLD. **He is a certified Internal Family Systems therapist** having completed Level 1 in 2017/18, Level 2 in Austin, Texas USA in 2018, and Level 3 with Dick Schwartz in Florida in December 2019. **Shaun is on the IFS Institute’s international Approved Clinical Consultants list.** He has facilitated the group trauma sessions at the Mater Hospital PTSD program from 2007 to 2015 and has run a weekly men’s group since 2014. Shaun has an Honours degree in Psychology, a Masters degree in Clinical Psychology, and a PhD in Psychology and is a member of the Australian Psychological Society and a Fellow of the APS College of Clinical Psychologists.



Email me at clinicalpsych@tcps.net.au in the first instance to express an interest and secure your place.

I thank you for your interest and look forward to the prospect of working with you.

Kind regards - Shaun