LEADING EDGE SEMINARS · CANCUN 2027

WEEK 2 · CE & EMPLOYER APPROVAL PACKAGE

Working with Dissociation in Therapy

Practical, Creative, and Compassionate Tools

With Jamie Marich, PhD

WORKSHOP
February 8–12, 2027
Monday to Friday
9:00 am-12:30 pm, local resort time

RESORT STAY
February 6–13, 2027
Seven nights
Dreams Jade Resort & Spa · Puerto Morelos, Mexico

TRAINING
Live, in person · Intermediate/ advanced
16.25 CE hours
Also approved for 12 EMDRIA CEs

Dissociation is widely misunderstood, and many clinicians feel unsure what to do when a client goes blank, loses track of time or talks about parts of themselves.

Jamie Marich brings clinical expertise and lived experience to a practical, non-shaming approach: compassionate assessment, grounding and stabilization skills, mapping parts, and individualized treatment planning. EMDR training isn't required to attend.

CE & EMPLOYER APPROVAL PACKAGE

Objectives, five-day agenda, CE details and an employer approval summary, ready to share.

01 · THE TRAINING

Build confidence, curiosity & practical skills

Five experiential mornings look at the full range of dissociative experiences, how trauma and dissociation interact, and the myths and biases that can shape clinical care. You'll practise the skills as you learn them, with discussion and clinical application throughout.

- Assess dissociation compassionately and use the Dissociation Profile Exercise in clinical practice.
- Practise at least 10 grounding, anchoring, and stabilization skills.
- Explore and critique models for mapping and working with parts.
- Develop individualized treatment plans and consider critical decisions about trauma processing.
- Use consultation, attend to client safety, and advocate for people who experience trauma-based dissociation or live as plural systems.

Who should attend

The workshop welcomes clinicians with varying experience in dissociation; the published course level is intermediate/advanced. Intended participants include therapists, psychologists, social workers, counsellors, psychiatrists, physicians, nurse practitioners, occupational therapists, addiction professionals, and graduate students in accredited programs in these fields. EMDR training is not required to attend.

Your presenter

Jamie Marich, PhD

Jamie Marich teaches internationally on trauma, dissociation, EMDR therapy, expressive arts, mindfulness, and yoga. Based in Akron, Ohio, she founded the Institute for Creative Mindfulness and developed the Dancing Mindfulness approach to expressive arts therapy. Her books include Dissociation Made Simple, EMDR Made Simple, Trauma and the Twelve Steps, and Process Not Perfection. She co-authored EMDR Therapy & Mindfulness for Trauma-Focused Care and Healing Addiction with EMDR Therapy with Stephen Dansiger. Her teaching on dissociation integrates clinical expertise with lived experience.

Workshop content and presenter background adapted from the Praxis CE planning materials and presenter biography. Full workshop page: **leadingedgecancun.com/event/dissociation-therapy-training-jamie-marich/**

What you will learn

At the conclusion of the workshop, participants will be better able to:

1. Define both trauma and dissociation (according to several different sources before coming up with solid working definitions for your own clinical practices)
2. Discuss the interplay between trauma and dissociation, noting the various diagnoses and conditions that may surface with this interplay
3. Explain the principles of phenomenology and how they inform the lived experience movement in mental health, specifically in work with dissociative identities
4. List the most common myths, misconceptions, and biases that exist in the mental health field and in society at large about people who dissociate
5. Assess for the presence of dissociation in clinical settings in a compassionate, non-shaming manner
6. Implement no fewer than 10 skills into clinical settings that will assist people who dissociate with grounding/anchoring, basic stabilization, and preparation for further care
7. Complete a Dissociation Profile Exercise and discuss how to use and implement this tool in your clinical setting.
8. Discuss and critique the various models that exist for mapping and working with parts
9. Describe how to guide critical decision points in treatment with people who dissociate, remembering that there is no “one size fits all” approach in navigating treatment.
10. Utilize the tool of consultation effectively in building your treatment plans and working through impasses
11. Implement individualized and system-focused treatment plans for people who dissociate, which may or may not involve direct trauma processing
12. Review why it’s important to advocate effectively for people who experience trauma-based dissociation and/or live as a plural system.

03 · FIVE-DAY AGENDA

Your week of learning

Daily: 9:00–10:15 am and 10:30 am–12:30 pm, with a morning break 10:15–10:30. All times local resort time. Instructional time is 3.25 hours a day, 16.25 hours in total; breaks and check-in don't count toward CE hours.

MON 8 Feb 2027

Foundations & lived experience

9:00–10:15 am Introduction to dissociation, self-assessment, and identifying biases.

10:30 am–12:30 pm Terminology, diagnoses, and clinical approach; introduction to the Dissociation Profile Exercise; phenomenology and lived-experience frameworks.

TUE 9 Feb 2027

Dissociation profiling & stabilization

9:00–10:15 am Further exploration and clinical application of the Dissociation Profile Exercise.

10:30 am–12:30 pm Teaching and practising 10 or more grounding, anchoring, and stabilization skills to enrich daily life for clients who dissociate.

WED 10 Feb 2027

Assessment & parts mapping

9:00–10:15 am Clinical assessment strategies; review of the film Petals of a Rose and a treatment planning exercise.

10:30 am–12:30 pm Introduction to parts mapping, an experiential mapping exercise, and clinical review and discussion.

THU 11 Feb 2027

Treatment planning & consultation

9:00–10:15 am Advanced treatment planning; review of parts mapping; decision points about formal trauma processing and use of different parts models.

10:30 am–12:30 pm The role of consultation in developing clinical skills, followed by a consultation session.

FRI 12 Feb 2027

Safety, advocacy & integration

9:00–10:15 am Organized and extreme abuse, coercive groups, and spiritual abuse: clinical considerations, differential issues, and safety planning.

10:30 am–12:30 pm Final review and integration; needs assessment and planning for implementation in your clinical setting.

04 · THE RETREAT

Stay, connect & recharge

Dreams Jade Resort & Spa

A beachfront, all-inclusive resort in Puerto Morelos, just south of Cancun. Your seven-night stay runs from Saturday, February 6 to Saturday, February 13, 2027. Morning workshops leave your afternoons open to enjoy the resort and connect with other clinicians.

Your retreat package includes

7
nights of all-inclusive accommodation

1
workshop registration with Jamie Marich

All
meals, drinks and snacks, plus access to resort amenities

Packages are priced per room, per week, based on occupancy. A second adult sharing your room doesn't automatically receive a workshop registration; additional registrations can be added during booking.

Choose your room category

JUNIOR SUITE TROPICAL VIEW
A room option with tropical surroundings.

JUNIOR SUITE OCEAN VIEW
An upgraded option with partial ocean views.

PREFERRED CLUB OCEAN VIEW
ADULTS ONLY · 18+
Premium accommodation with enhanced amenities and exclusive privileges.

Beyond the workshop

Begin with the Sunday Night Meet & Greet, then enjoy informal opportunities to connect over coffee, by the pool or before dinner. Optional excursions and spa services are separate from the core training package.

Explore Paradise Perks → Explore the resort →

Airfare is not included. Fly into Cancun International Airport (CUN). Contact us about airport transfers, extended stays, companion arrangements or accessibility needs.

Plan your professional development

16.25
CE HOURS

Continuing education. This workshop is approved for 16.25 CE hours by Praxis Continuing Education and Training. The educational activity is sponsored by Praxis Continuing Education and Training by New Harbinger and co-sponsored by Leading Edge Seminars.

See the CE page for profession-specific US approvals and Canadian and international participation information, and check acceptance with your own licensing or professional body before registering. Attend all sessions, sign in daily and complete the evaluation to receive your certificate; no partial credit is awarded. Canadian participants receive a Certificate of Participation for 16.25 hours on 100% attendance.

Review CE approvals and requirements →

EMDRIA: Also approved for 12 EMDRIA CEs. EMDRIA approval #10002-182. See the workshop page for details.

Pricing, payment plans & cancellation

Compare room and occupancy options on the pricing page. **Flexible payment plans are available**: contact Emily to set one up.

View retreat pricing →

Read the cancellation terms →

QUESTIONS?

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Ask about workshop suitability, accommodation, payment plans or employer documentation.

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Employer approval summary

Use this page, together with sections 01–03, when requesting professional development time or funding.

Program	Working with Dissociation in Therapy: Practical, Creative, and Compassionate Tools
Presenter(s)	Jamie Marich, PhD
Format	Live, in-person, five-day workshop · intermediate/advanced
Dates	February 8-12, 2027 (Monday to Friday), 9:00 am–12:30 pm local time
Location	Dreams Jade Resort & Spa, Puerto Morelos (Cancun), Mexico
Instructional hours	16.25 CE hours (3.25 instructional hours a day, Monday to Friday); also approved for 12 EMDRIA CEs (approval #10002-182)
CE sponsor	Praxis Continuing Education and Training by New Harbinger; co-sponsored by Leading Edge Seminars
Certificate	Issued on full attendance, daily sign-in and completed evaluation; no partial credit
Learning objectives	12 objectives, listed in section 02 of this guide
Costs	The package combines accommodation and one workshop registration. Ask Emily for a breakdown separating the workshop fee from accommodation and travel.

A request note you can adapt

Dear **[manager's name]**,

I'd like to request approval to attend **Working with Dissociation in Therapy**, a live 16.25-hour continuing education workshop with Jamie Marich, PhD, running February 8-12, 2027. The workshop is CE-approved through Praxis Continuing Education and Training.

It would support my work with **[client group / caseload]**, particularly in **[one or two learning objectives from section 02]**. The attached guide includes the full objectives and the five-day agenda.

I'm requesting **[time away / funding amount / both]**. I can provide a cost breakdown separating the workshop fee from accommodation and travel.

Thank you for considering it,
[your name]

Prepared October 2026 from the Praxis CE materials and the Leading Edge Cancun website. Please check the website for current details.