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Hyatt Regency Boston
Boston, MA

Thursday, March 26 to Sunday, March 29, 2015



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THE CONFERENCE

Welcome to the 40th Annual meeting of SSTAR in downtown Boston, MA. In this, our 40th year as an organization, we celebrate our continued commitment to excellence in the field of human sexuality – in research, clinical work, education and training – as well as our commitment to the principle that people, all people, have a right to healthy sexuality, a right to sex therapy treatment, and access to scientific discovery in sexual health.

This meeting offers an exciting array of topics for discussion and debate. In addition to ground breaking research, there are opportunities to hear about groups whose sexual challenges and treatment needs are not well understood or studied -- the needs of diverse sexual communities, African-American sexuality and sexology, couples sexual recovery after cancer, youth and sexual behavior, and finally, an answer to the question – “what is sexual pleasure really?” In addition, we’ll address the prevention of sexual abuse by tackling the biggest stigma – making sex therapy available to pedophiles.

The hotel where the meeting is being held is steps from Boston's most desirable area-attractions; this hotel is well situated for city touring, museums, nightlife and Boston waterfront. The hotel is at the heart of the city – a fitting metaphor for the importance of the sex therapy research and clinical presentations for which our scientific meetings are known.

You will notice some changes in this year's meeting:

- Thursday night poster presentations will include three categories for judged awards and participants will also receive ballots to vote on their own Voter's Choice Award
- In response to requests for more intensive clinical training, there are more preconference offerings, allowing participants to 'pick three' for a day of learning from masters in our field
- Sunday, our ethics course will address ethical decision making in the transference relationship
- The conference sessions are a mix of longer presentations and briefer discussions of current topics. This addresses feedback from past attendees who wanted to balance in depth presentations with shorter updates in new theories, medicines, and current research
- Saturday morning we offer a CE for the breakfast roundtable in which you can further your discussions with the conference presenters in an informal setting
- Friday graduate students and post-doc fellows have a chance to meet with two sex therapists who combined academics and clinical work. They'll discuss paths to career development

We look forward to seeing you in Boston, at the center of the city and the heart of scientific and clinical discussions about sex therapy. We know you will take every opportunity to engage your fellow attendees in debate and discussion – the collegiality and respect that is a hallmark of SSTAR meetings is what keeps us all coming back.

Sallie Foley, LMSW
2015 Scientific Co-Chair

Kathryn Hall, PhD
2015 Scientific Co-Chair

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

This program is designed for a broad range of medical and mental health professionals with an interest in the care of people with sexual concerns, and for sex researchers/scholars.

The Society for Sex Therapy and Research is the premier international professional organization solely focused on sexual disorders.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2015

7:30 am – 5:00 pm Meeting Registration

7:30 – 8:00 am Continental Breakfast

PRECONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

Individuals may register for up to three workshops

WORKSHOP #1: (8:00-10:30 am)

A trauma-informed approach to sexuality: Loving sexuality in couples with histories of trauma and neglect

Presenter: Ruth Cohn, MFT, CST

WORKSHOP #2: (8:00-10:30 am)

Men's sexual problems: Update on evaluation and treatment

Presenter: Stephen Snyder, MD

WORKSHOP #3:

(10:45 am-12:00 pm and 1:00-2:15 pm.

Lunch on your own from 12:00 -1:00 pm)

It's complicated: Innovations in understanding and treating female sexual dysfunction

Presenter: Kathryn Hall, PhD

WORKSHOP #4:

(10:45 am-12:00 pm and 1:00-2:15 pm.

Lunch on your own from 12:00 -1:00 pm)

After the affair: Reinventing your sexual relationship

Presenter: Janis Abrahms Spring, PhD, ABPP

WORKSHOP #5: (2:30-5:00 pm)

Gender affirmative treatment for adults, adolescents and children: New treatment methods for a new gender paradigm

Presenter: Margaret Nichols, PhD

WORKSHOP #6 (2:30-5:00 pm)

Sex therapy with couples after the man's treatment for prostate cancer

Presenter: Daniela Wittmann, PhD, LMSW

CONFERENCE ATTENDEES ARE INVITED TO VIEW POSTERS, MEET THE PRESENTERS, AND VOTE ON A NEW CATEGORY

Poster awards are a part of every SSTAR conference. Several awards will be selected by judges and announced at the SSTAR Business Meeting on Saturday. A new award in 2015 is the Voters Choice. Please pick up your ballot and vote for the Voters Choice award while viewing the posters.

6:00–7:30 pm Poster Presentations

6:30–7:30 pm Welcome Reception

FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2015

7:30 am-5:00 pm	Meeting Registration	10:30-11:30 am	Invited Talk #2: Couples Sexual Relationships After Treatment for Prostate Cancer: Current State of Knowledge Presenter: Daniela Wittmann, PhD, LMSW
7:30-8:15 am	Continental Breakfast	11:30 am-1:00 pm	Lunch (on your own)
8:15-8:30 am	Welcome SSTAR President: Eli Coleman Scientific Program Co-Chairs: Sallie Foley and Kathryn Hall Local Program Co-Chairs: Derek Polonsky and Meg Striepe Continuing Education Officer: Elizabeth Grill	11:45 am-1:00 pm	Lunch and Learn with the Experts for Grad Students and Post Docs only: Becoming a sex researcher and/or therapist: Process, Pitfalls and Payoffs Presenters: Kathryn Hall, PhD and Marta Meana, PhD <i>Limited opportunity, first come, first serve</i>
8:15-9:15 am	Invited Talk #1: Sex and intimacy in sex advice: learning from sexual communities Presenter: Meg Barker, PhD	1:00-2:00 pm	Invited Talk #3: Prevention of sexual abuse by tackling the biggest stigma of them all: Making sex therapy available to pedophiles Presenter: James Cantor, PhD
9:15-10:15 am	Paper Presentations: Sexual Functioning in Relationships Cappell, J. Pukall, C.: Factors associated with resumption of sexual activity in the postpartum period: examining relationship characteristics and non-coital sexual activities Pulverman, C. Meston, C.: Women's sexual function depends more on male partner's sexual satisfaction than her own sexual satisfaction Murray, S. Milhausen, R.: Men's experiences of sexual desire in long-term heterosexual relationships Bossio, J. Shelly, A. Pukall, C.: You either have it or you don't: does men's circumcision status impact their partners' sexual functioning? Boerner, K. Rosen, N.: Pain acceptance in couples with provoked vestibulodynia Rosen, N. Muise, A. Bergeron, S et al.: Approach and avoidance sexual goals in couples with provoked vestibulodynia: associations with sexual, relational, and psychological well-being	2:00-3:00 pm	Paper Presentations: Sexuality and Identity Therrien, S. Brotto, L.: Does orgasm consistency with intercourse affect sexual arousal concordance in women reporting sexual difficulties? Bouchard, K. Pukall, C. Chivers, M. Coyle, S.: Thinking outside the box: a within-subjects comparison of vulvar and vaginal concordance in healthy women Handy, A. Moses, M. Brotto, L.: Associations between non-consensual sex, depression, and sexual distress in east-asian women Bigras, J. Godbout, N. & Bolduc, R.: Prevalence and correlates of child maltreatment in men and women consulting for sexual problems Corsini-Munt, S. Bergeron, S. McNicoll, G.: Pain catastrophizing mediates the associations between ambivalence over emotional expression and pain and sexuality outcomes in women with provoked vestibulodynia Bober, S. Bakan, J. Frederick, N.: The high cost of pediatric cancer treatment: a qualitative study of survivorship and sexual health
10:15-10:30 am	Break		

3:00-3:15 pm	Break		
3:15-4:30 pm	Symposium: Highlights & Remembrances: The Last 40 Years of Sex Therapy and Research Panelists: Michael A. Perelman, Ph.D (Chair), Lori Brotto, Ph.D, Richard Carrol, Ph.D, Bonnie Saks, MD	6:30-9:00 pm	Dinner: State Park in Cambridge Casual attire, dinner, games and drink ticket included. Coach bus transportation provided. Bus departing hotel at 5:30 pm. Return bus departing State Park at 9:00 pm.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2015

7:30-8:30 am	Meet the Experts: Breakfast Roundtables Speakers: Meg Barker, James Cantor, Ruth Cohn, Kathryn Hall, Margie Nichols, Stephen Snyder	1:15-2:15 pm	Revising and updating our models and treatment Margaret Nichols, PhD: The Gender Affirmative Treatment Model: Therapy For Transgender and Gender Nonconforming Children From a Nonpathologizing Perspective Eliezer R. Mayer, PsyD: The New New Sex Therapy: Working Productively With Nonnormative Populations Stephanie Buehler, MPW, PsyD, CST-S: Sexual Side Effects of Finasteride: Two Case Studies
8:30-8:40 am	SSTAR 2015 Consumer Book Award Presented by Stephen Snyder, MD	2:15-3:15 pm	Invited Talk #6: The pleasure principle revisited: How Sexual Pleasure Links Sexual Arousal, Desire, Preference, And Performance Presenter: James G. Pfaus, PhD
8:40-9:40 am	Invited Talk #4: The Virtuous Generation: Misguided Aspersions on Youth, their Brains and their Sexual Behavior Presenter: David Finklehor, PhD	3:15-3:30 pm	Break
9:40-10:05 am	Sandra R. Leiblum Student Paper Award: Empathic response and disclosure among couples coping with vulvodynia in relation to their sexual satisfaction and distress: An observational study Recipient: Katy Bois	3:30-5:00 pm	Clinical Case Presentation: Trauma Informed Relationship and Sex Therapy Case presentation: Ruth Cohn, MFT, CST Discussants: Meg Barker, PhD and Sabitha Pillai-Friedman, PhD
10:05-10:30 am	Coffee Break	5:00 pm	Closing Remarks
10:30-11:30 am	Invited Talk #5: Sexology, Sexosophy, & African-American Sexuality Implications for Sex Therapy and Sexuality Research Presenter: Herb Samuels, PhD	7:00-9:00 pm	Fellowship Dinners at local restaurants and time to visit Boston on your own.
11:30-12:00 pm	Response to Dr. Samuels talk Discussants: Carita Anderson, PhD, Jasper Lawrence, PhD, Judith C. White, LCSW		
12:00- 1:15 pm	Business Meeting & Lunch (Members Only) Announcement of the Poster Award		

SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2015

8:00-11:00 am Ethics Course

Clinical Understanding and Ethical Practice in the Therapeutic Relationship: An ethical approach to eroticized transference Presenter: Carita Anderson, PhD

Meeting Ajourns

CONFERENCE HOTEL

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RESERVATIONS

A block of rooms with a special group rate has been reserved for SSTAR meeting attendees at the Single/Double Room rate of \$195. Please inform reservations that you are a SSTAR meeting attendee to receive this special rate. The room block will be released on Friday, February 20, 2015, so please make your reservation early. After that day, room reservations are subject to availability and prices may go up.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Cancellations must be received in writing before Thursday, February 26th and U.S. \$50 administrative fee will be assessed. No refunds will be issued after February 26, 2015.

Reservations can be made by calling Hyatt Reservations Department at (800) 421-1442 or call Hyatt Regency Boston directly at 617-912-1234. Or book online at link: <https://aws.passkey.com/g/26561125>.

Check-in time is 4:00 pm. Check-out time is 12:00 pm.

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS OR ACCME ACCREDITATION

The SSTAR 2015 Annual Meeting is being planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and Policies of the Accreditations Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through joint sponsorship with The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) and Society for Sex Therapy and Research (SSTAR). ACOG has approved the program to receive up to 23.25 CME credits.

In addition, SSTAR is an approved American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors and Therapists (AASECT) individual provider of continuing education credits approved by the American Psychological Association (APA) to sponsor continuing education for psychologists and by the California Board of Behavioral Sciences (CBBS) as Continuing Education Provider for Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists and Licensed Clinical Social Workers. This program qualifies for up to 23.25 CE credits for AASECT, APA and CBBS.

The breakdown of the number of credits is as follows:

	CME Credits	CE Credits
Thursday Pre Conference Workshop(s)	up to 7.5	up to 7.5
Friday Meeting	up to 5.75	up to 5.75
Saturday Meeting	up to 7	up to 7
Sunday Ethics Course	up to 3	up to 3
TOTAL	up to 23.25	up to 23.25

For questions regarding CE credits, please contact Elizabeth Grill at (646) 962-3314 or eag2001@med.cornell.edu.

ON-LINE REGISTRATION: Registration is available to all attendees on-line. Simply visit www.sstarnet.org.

SSTAR 2015 ANNUAL MEETING - REGISTRATION FORM (PLEASE PRINT)

Please complete information below and submit form with payment information by mailing to:

SSTAR National Office, 6311 W. Gross Point Rd., Niles, IL 60714, or by FAX to: 847.647.8940.

STUDENT NON-MEMBERS: Please provide a letter from your program director or thesis supervisor stating that you are registered in the program on a full-time basis.

FULL NAME (AS YOU WOULD LIKE IT TO APPEAR ON CE CERTIFICATE)

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Registration Fees	Member	Non-Member	Student Member	Student Non-Member
Thursday Workshops—Choose up to three workshops				
☐ Thursday Workshop #1 8:00-10:30 am	\$75	\$100	\$20	\$25
☐ Thursday Workshop #2 8:00-10:30 am	\$75	\$100	\$20	\$25
☐ Thursday Workshop #3 10:45 am-2:15 pm	\$75	\$100	\$20	\$25
☐ Thursday Workshop #4 10:45 am-2:15 pm	\$75	\$100	\$20	\$25
☐ Thursday Workshop #5 2:30-5:00 pm	\$75	\$100	\$20	\$25
☐ Thursday Workshop #6 2:30-5:00 pm	\$75	\$100	\$20	\$25
☐ Posters Reception/Welcome Reception (Thursday) (Free with meeting registration; please RSVP for yourself and/or guest)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
☐ Posters Reception/Welcome Reception Guest	\$40	\$40	\$40	\$40
Annual Meeting Registration—Check ONE				
☐ Friday/Saturday—Full Meeting*	\$490	\$625	\$170	\$190
☐ Friday—Single Full Day	\$295	\$370	\$100	\$115
☐ Saturday—Single Full Day*	\$295	\$370	\$100	\$115
☐ Sunday—Ethics Course	\$125	\$175		
☐ Lunch & Learn for Students Only (Friday) Free with meeting registration, please RSVP, space is limited	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
☐ Dinner Outing at State Park (Friday) Transportation included	\$70	\$70	\$55	\$55
Continuing Education Credits				
☐ CME Fees	\$50	\$50	N/A	N/A
☐ CE Fees (\$30 per type, please select) ☐ AAASECT ☐ APA ☐ CBBS	\$30	\$30	N/A	N/A
TOTAL				

*Member's registration includes Saturday Business Lunch

*Dietary Requirements _____

PAYMENT INFORMATION

TOTAL PAYMENT: \$_____ (USD)

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