

Systemic Constellations Supervision Training



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Training Information

'We do not learn from experience. We learn from reflection on experience'

John Dewey, 1933

Course Information

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Facilitators

This training will be led by Sheila McCarthy Dodd, Gaye Donaldson and Tanja Meyburgh.

Course Support People

The course supports will be at every module to ensure smooth continuity between modules and will be there to assist you if needed. Their place in the group is in the form of a voluntary internship.

This is a role that is generally available to students who have completed the Foundation and Applied Training in the past and would like to continue to develop their knowledge and experience of systemic constellation work.

If you would like to put yourself forward as a Course Support Person in the future, please email the office to let us know and we will put you on the list.

A Note About Privacy

During the first module, we will ask if you are willing to share your contact details with the rest of the group. This enables reading groups and skills practice groups to be established and group sharing to occur. These details are only to be used regarding the course and are NOT to be used to promote yourself, your work or anything else. We'll also ask for permission to use the group photo at the end of the course on our website.

Online Supervision Training for Systemic Constellators

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All practitioners require reflective space and guidance to ensure a standard of practice that is ethical and safe for clients. This is so in therapeutic practice, but also true for Systemic Constellation Work - whatever the setting. This training equips students to support and resource those who are offering Constellation Work in groups, in one-to-one work settings, and in wider contexts.

This training has been run for the first time in 2022/23 with great success. It has been carefully designed to meet the growing need in our international community for an experienced cohort of systemic Supervisors.

Who is it for?

This international training is for all those who have completed at least two years of Systemic Constellation training (30+ days of teaching) and have substantive experience of Systemic Constellation Work practice.

What will you learn?

In this training you will learn how to become a competent and reflective systemic constellation Supervisor, offering an appropriate balance of support and challenge. The training focuses on the relational field between Supervisor and supervisee and the creation of a contained space in which the exploration of subjective feelings and experience is held safely, and insight and growth is supported.

The learning journey includes

- 45 hours of in-depth teaching
- training handbook
- experiential exercises
- 2 tutorials
- personal reflection and practice.

During the training students are asked to arrange

- Four free supervision sessions for students within the CSC community. These are completed as part of the experiential learning journey.

In addition, we suggest strongly to participate in a

- skills practice group,
- a reading group to support personal and professional development.

The CSC Supervisors Register

Students who complete this course and are deemed ready to offer systemic supervision will be added to *The Systemic Supervisors Register* held by CSC. This will be made available to practitioners and used in response to numerous requests for qualified supervision that we receive.

Dates & Times

Each module will be held on Zoom from 14.00-19.00 GMT/BST).

With all the changes in time zones, we ask you to check your time zone prior to each session and take responsibility for arriving on time. Here is a useful weblink for converting time zones - [Time Zone Converter – Time Difference Calculator \(timeanddate.com\)](https://timeanddate.com)

All course materials, dates and Zoom links will be available to you on the [CSC Course Hub](#).

If you are going to be late for any of the modules, please text one of our course support people to let them know.

Online Sessions	Date	Time	Day	Facilitator(s)
Module 1	11th March 2025	2pm-7pm GMT	Tuesday	
Module 2	15th April 2025	2pm-7pm BST	Tuesday	
Module 3	20 th May 2025	2pm-7pm BST	Tuesday	
Module 4	10 th June 2025	2pm-7pm BST	Tuesday	
Module 5	15 th July 2025	2pm-7pm BST	Tuesday	
Module 6	23 rd Sept 2025	2pm-7pm BST	Tuesday	
Module 7	14 th Oct 2025	2pm-7pm BST	Tuesday	
Module 8	18 th Nov 2025	2pm-7pm GMT	Tuesday	
December- Month of practice and completion of 121's				
Module 9	20 th January 2026	2pm-7pm GMT	Tuesday	

Teaching Topics by Module and Facilitators

Module 1 – What is Systemic Supervision?

Facilitated by Tanja Meyburgh, Gaye Donaldson and Sheila McCarthy-Dodd

Module 2 - The Qualities Needed to be an Effective Supervisor

Facilitated by Gaye Donaldson and Sheila McCarthy-Dodd

Module 3 – Ethical Maturity – Integrating Values and Principles

Facilitated by Sheila McCarthy-Dodd and Tanja Meyburgh

Module 4 – Who’s in the Field

Facilitated by Sheila McCarthy-Dodd and Tanja Meyburgh

Module 5 – Supervisor / Supervisee Relationship – What this should attend to

Facilitated by Gaye Donaldson and Sheila McCarthy-Dodd

Module 6 – Difference and Diversity

Facilitated by Sheila McCarthy-Dodd and Tanja Meyburgh

Module 7 – Contracting – What must we include?

Facilitated by Sheila McCarthy-Dodd and Tanja Meyburgh

Module 8 – Meeting Gaps Preparatively - Support and Challenge

Facilitated by Sheila McCarthy-Dodd and Gaye Donaldson

Module 9 – Endings and New Beginnings as a Supervisor

Facilitated by Tanja Meyburgh, Gaye Donaldson and Sheila McCarthy-Dodd

Topics Covered During the Training

Ways in which our help is called	What belongs to the role of Supervisor?
The Orders of Helping	How to supervise systemically
Introducing the learning framework of this training	How to find your 'Right Place' as a SCW supervisor
Working with trauma	Psychological awareness and working with unconscious processes
Working in person vs working online – supporting systemic practice in wider fields	What does Ethical Maturity mean?
Ethical maturity beyond right or wrong	Integrating and embodying values and principles
Building ethical awareness and development into our Supervisory relationships	Becoming a trustworthy Supervisor who can support trustworthy practice
Working with the 7i model	The systemic relationship with supervisee - who has a place?
Who and what needs to be included (individual or organisational contexts)	Who influences and affects who
What belongs to the relationship?	The therapeutic place of Supervision
Attending to power dynamics	Awareness of the shadow
How to recognise and work with shame	Boundaries
How we both support and challenge	How we model best practice
Holding a space for all	Learning how to dialogue across difference
How do we recognise our denial, defences and minimisation so that we begin to shift our perspective and can fully include and respect difference and diversity	Contracting the Supervisor / supervisee relationship according to the supervisees developmental needs
Contracting in workshops, within groups, during initial interview	Contracting – what must we include?
Contracting feedback that is clear, owned, balanced and specific	Meeting the gaps – including poor training, personal family issues, poor therapy and past negative Supervision and mentoring experiences
As a Supervisor.... Where am I now? How have I developed? What do I still need?	Next steps...

An Important Point About the Course

This course is run as a learning group. However, the teaching material can sometimes be triggering of our own personal issues. Whilst every attempt is made to hold a safe, contained and nurturing learning environment, students are required to respect the Learning Contract of the group and recognise that this is not a therapy or process group where personal issues can be attended to.

If we are overwhelmed in such a way that the learning of the group is affected, we reserve the right to ask you to leave the group. It may be possible to repeat any missed modules on a later course. We feel that your personal issues.

Tutorials

Tutorial support is considered an important part of student development during the course. Students will be asked to arrange two tutorials with their tutor as and when they need them. We suggest that the first is scheduled near the beginning of the course and the second towards the end. Dates for these are to be arranged directly with your tutor. Students may choose between having an individual one-hour session either by phone, Skype or in person. Both tutorials must be taken during the training.

Cancellation of tutorials

Please note: We ask for at least 10 days' notice for cancellation of tutorials. If you do not give the required notice, then you will forfeit your session.

Missed Modules

Recordings of the modules are made available to support the online teaching and not as a substitute for attendance. Certificates of attendance can only be given for the hours completed in live teaching sessions. Please note that modules can only be missed in exceptional circumstances.

Certificate of Attendance

At the end of module 9 you will be given a Certificate of Attendance, stating the exact number of hours you have attended during the live training sessions.

Additional CSC Courses & Events

CSC is delighted to host an international guest trainer two or three times a year. We also arrange other Continuing Professional Development (CPD) trainings and workshops.

Further details about these additional events can be found on the website www.thecsc.net under 'Courses'.

Recommended Reading

- Supervision In the Helping Professions (4th Ed)
P. Hawkins and A. McMahon (2020) Open University Press
- 'Getting the best from Supervision' Counselling Matters Issue 10. p31-40
K. Gregory K and S. McCarthy-Dodd S. (2021)
<http://cm.nationalcounsellingsociety.org/books/kxvw/#p=31>
- Ethical Maturity in the Helping Professions
M. Carroll and E. Shaw E. (2012) Psych Oz Publications
- Reflective Practice in Supervision Minuteman Press
D. Hewson and M. Carroll (2016)
- My Grandmother's Hands: Racialized Trauma and the Pathway to Mending Our Hearts and Bodies
Resmaa Menakem, Cary Hite, et al
- Freedom to Practice - Person Centred Approaches to Supervision
K. Tudor & M. Worrall (eds) (2004) PCCS Books
- How to Run Reflective Practice Groups: A Guide for Healthcare Professionals.
A.Kurtz (2020) Routledge, London
- The Body Keeps The Score: Mind, brain and body in the transformation of trauma
Bessel Van der Kolk

A guide to accessing Zoom

Using Zoom - Preparation

Some of you might be familiar with Zoom already, but if you haven't used it before, please be assured that it's very straightforward! However, we would strongly advise you to have a look at some of the tutorial videos as these are really helpful and easy to follow.

Perhaps those of you who are familiar with zoom could share your expertise with your fellow students. You all have each other's email addresses, so if any of you would like to do a practice run, in advance of the first session, perhaps you could arrange this between you over the next few days.

You do not need to have a Zoom account to be able to join a meeting, but if you would like one, you can set up an account for free.

Zoom tutorials/videos

There are videos, instructions and frequently asked questions on the zoom website. Zoom Top Questions Video Tutorials

Step One: Watch this short video to acquaint yourself with the Zoom technology. Video on how to join a Zoom meeting:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rzk4vdTli0c>

Step Two: When you join a Zoom meeting for the first time, you will be asked to launch the Zoom Application. Download the Application by clicking on the link in the email invitation you have received. (You might get a redirect notice – click the Zoom link again to download the application, or if the link doesn't work when you click it from the email, try copying and pasting the link into your internet browser. **Please do this in preparation for the session.**

Download link here: <https://zoom.us/support/download>. You can also download zoom to your smart phone via this same link on your phone <https://zoom.us/support/download> or via your app store.

When you first join the call, you will be put into a 'waiting room' and will be admitted to the session by the host once they ready to start.