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2015 AWARD RECIPIENTS

2015 Consumer Book Award
Prostate Cancer and the Man You Love: Supporting and Caring for Your Partner
Rowman & Littlefield Publishers
Anne Katz, RN, PhD

2015 Sandra R. Leiblum Student Research Award
Empathic Response and Disclosure Among Couples Coping with Vulvodynia in Relation to their Sexual Satisfaction and Distress: An Observational Study
Recipient: Katy Bois
Welcome to the 40th Annual SSTAR Meeting at the beautiful Hyatt Regency Boston Hotel. SSTAR is excited about being here with friends and colleagues, new and old. Scientific Program Co-Chairs Sallie Foley and Kathryn Hall have worked hard to bring us a collection of workshops, invited talks, peer-reviewed papers and posters that reflect advances and developments in sex therapy and research. Local Program Co-Chairs Derek Polonsky and Meg Striepe have organized an exciting and delicious dinner at the State Park in Cambridge on Friday night and the traditional Fellowship Dinners on Saturday night.

This year also brings recognition of exceptional contributions from students (Katy Bois receiving the Sandra R. Leiblum Student Research Award) and book author (Anne Katz, RN, PhD, receiving the 2015 Consumer Book Award), plus acknowledging 40 years of history. It bodes well for SSTAR and for the field of sex therapy and research that we have so much to celebrate.

This meeting’s program truly reflects the bio-psycho-social nature of our discipline and the interdisciplinary spirit that characterizes SSTAR. Our meetings are made excellent not just by the presenters but by a sophisticated audience that never fails to keep the discussion at the highest level. Welcome back to the many colleagues and friends who make the annual SSTAR meeting a yearly highlight of their continuing professional development and networking. Also, I am very excited that we have so many new members and new attendees to our conference. We also have a high number of students at this meeting. I hope everyone will appreciate the scientific and social program and getting to know everyone. We want everyone to feel included in SSTAR’s embrace.

We also hope you will join us at our Fall Clinical Case Conference on Friday, October 16, 2015 at the Millennium Hotel in New York City. More information about the Fall program will be available soon. And finally, Chicago will be the location for our next Annual Meeting, so don’t forget to save the date – April 14-16, 2016.

I am thrilled to be here in Boston and hope to speak with as many of you as possible in the next couple of days!

Warm regards,
Eli Coleman, PhD
President, Society for Sex Therapy and Research
Academic Chair in Sexual Health Program in Human Sexuality
University of Minnesota Medical School
The SSTAR 2015 Annual Meeting is fully accredited or approved toward continuing education credits for psychologists, sexologists, physicians, social workers, and marriage and family therapists. Participants of SSTAR meetings are responsible for knowing and adhering to their state-specific CE requirements. For questions or concerns about continuing education credits, please contact the SSTAR Continuing Education Officer, Elizabeth Grill, PsyD at (646) 962-3314 or eag2001@med.cornell.edu.

1. ACCME ACCREDITATION
   This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education through the joint providership of The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and the Society for Sex Therapy and Research (SSTAR). The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

   AMA PRA CATEGORY 1 CREDIT(S)™
   The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists designates this live activity for a maximum of 23.25 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

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   The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists designates this live activity for a maximum of 23.25 Category 1 College Cognate Credit(s). The College has a reciprocity agreement with the AMA that allows AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)™ to be equivalent to College Cognate Credits.

   DISCLOSURE OF FACULTY AND INDUSTRY RELATIONSHIPS
   In accordance with College policy, all faculty and planning committee members have signed a conflict of interest statement in which they have disclosed any financial interests or other relationships with industry relative to topics they will discuss at this program. At the beginning of the program, faculty members are required to disclose any such information to participants. Such disclosure allows you to evaluate better the objectivity of the information presented in lectures. Please report on your evaluation form any undisclosed conflict of interest you perceive.

2. AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF SEXUALITY EDUCATORS, COUNSELORS AND THERAPISTS
   SSTAR is an approved Individual Provider of Continuing Education credits. This program meets the requirements of American Association of Sexuality Educators, Counselors and Therapists (AASECT) and is approved for up to 25 CE credits. These CE credits may be applied toward AASECT certification and renewal of certification.

3. AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION
   SSTAR is approved by the American Psychological Association (APA) to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. SSTAR maintains responsibility for this program and its content. This program qualifies for up to 25 CE credits.

4. CALIFORNIA BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES
   The State of California Board of Behavioral Sciences (CBBS) has approved SSTAR as a Continuing Education Provider (PCE #1719) for Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists (LMFT) and Licensed Clinical Social Workers (LCSW). This program qualifies for up to 25 credits.

   The breakdown of the number of credits is as follows:

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THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2015

7:30am-5:00pm  Meeting Registration  Martha’s Vineyard Foyer, 3rd Floor
7:30-8:00am  Continental Breakfast  Martha’s Vineyard Foyer, 3rd Floor

PRECONFERENCE WORKSHOPs

8:00-10:30am  Workshop #1  Nantucket, 3rd Floor
A Trauma-Informed Approach to Sexuality: Loving Sexuality in Couples with Histories of Trauma and Neglect
Presenter: Ruth Cohn, MFT, CST

8:00-10:30am  Workshop #2  Cape Cod, 3rd Floor
Men’s Sexual Problems: Update on Evaluation and Treatment
Presenter: Stephen Snyder, MD

10:45am-12:00pm;  Workshop #3  Nantucket, 3rd Floor
1:00-2:15pm  Workshop #4  Cape Cod, 3rd Floor
It’s Complicated: Innovations in Understanding and Treating Female Sexual Dysfunction
Presenter: Kathryn Hall, PhD

10:45am-12:00pm;  Workshop #5  Nantucket, 3rd Floor
1:00-2:15pm  Workshop #6  Cape Cod, 3rd Floor
Gender Affirmative Treatment for Adults, Adolescents and Children: New Treatment Methods for a New Gender Paradigm
Presenter: Margaret Nichols, PhD

2:30-5:00pm  Workshop #5  Nantucket, 3rd Floor
Sex Therapy with Couples After the Man’s Treatment For Prostate Cancer
Presenter: Daniela Wittmann, PhD, LMSW

THURSDAY EVENING ACTIVITIES

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 Voter’s Choice. Please pick up your ballot and vote for the Voter’s Choice award while viewing the posters.

6:00-7:30pm  Poster Presentations  Ballroom B, 4th Floor
6:30-7:30pm  Welcome Reception  Ballroom B, 4th Floor

FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2015

7:30am-5:00pm  Meeting Registration  Ballroom Foyer, 4th Floor
7:30-8:00am  Continental Breakfast  Ballroom Foyer, 4th Floor
8:00-8:15am  Welcome  Ballroom B, 4th Floor
SSTAR President: Eli Coleman, PhD
Scientific Program Co-Chairs: Sallie Foley, LMSW, and Kathryn Hall, PhD
Local Program Co-Chairs: Derek Polonsky, MD, and Meg Striepe, PhD
Continuing Education Officer: Elizabeth Grill, PsyD

8:15-9:15am  Invited Talk #1  Ballroom B, 4th Floor
Sex and Intimacy in Sex Advice: Learning From Sexual Communities
Presenter: Meg Barker, PhD
9:15-10:15am **Paper Presentations: Sexual Functioning in Relationships**  
**Ballroom B, 4th Floor**  
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  
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  

10:15-10:30am **Break**  
**Ballroom A, 4th Floor**

10:30-11:30am **Invited Talk #2**  
**Ballroom B, 4th Floor**  
Couples Sexual Relationships After Treatment for Prostate Cancer: Current State of Knowledge  
Presenter: Daniela Wittmann, PhD, LMSW

11:30am-1:00pm **Lunch (on your own)**

11:45am-12:55pm **Lunch and Learn with the Experts** for Grad Students and Post Docs only  
**Plymouth, 4th Floor**  
Becoming a Sex Researcher and/or Therapist: Process, Pitfalls and Payoffs  
Presenters: Kathryn Hall, PhD, and Marta Meana, PhD  
“For student attendees preregistered only”

1:00-2:00pm **Invited Talk #3**  
**Ballroom B, 4th Floor**  
Prevention of Sexual Abuse by Tackling the Biggest Stigma of Them All: Making Sex Therapy Available to Pedophiles  
Presenter: James Cantor, PhD

2:00-3:00pm **Paper Presentations: Sexuality and Identity**  
**Ballroom B, 4th Floor**  
Therrien, S., Broto, 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  
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

3:00-3:15pm **Break**  
**Ballroom A, 4th Floor**

3:15-4:30pm **Symposium: Highlights & Remembrances:**  
The Last 40 Years of Sex Therapy and Research  
Panelists: Michael A. Perelman, PhD (Chair), Lori Brotto, PhD, Richard Carrol, PhD, Bonnie Saks, MD

**FRIDAY EVENING ACTIVITIES**

5:30pm Bus departing hotel for dinner outing to State Park  
**Lower Lobby**

6:30-9:00pm **Dinner: State Park in Cambridge**  
Casual attire, dinner, games and drink ticket included.  
Return bus departing State Park at 9:00 pm.
SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 2015

7:30am-5:00pm  Meeting Registration  Ballroom Foyer, 4th Floor
7:30-8:30am  Meet the Experts: Breakfast Roundtables  Ballroom A. 4th Floor
Speakers: Meg Barker, PhD, James Cantor, PhD, Ruth Cohn, MFT, CST,
Kathryn Hall, PhD, Margaret Nichols, PhD, Stephen Snyder, MD
8:30-8:40am  SSTAR 2015 Consumer Book Award  Ballroom B, 4th Floor
Presented by Stephen Snyder, MD
Recipient: Anne Katz, RN, PhD
8:40-9:40am  Invited Talk #4  Ballroom B, 4th Floor
The Virtuous Generation: Misguided Aspersions on Youth, Their Brains and Their
Sexual Behavior
Presenter: David Finklehor, PhD
9:40-10:05am  Sandra R. Leiblum Student Paper Award  Ballroom B, 4th Floor
Empathic Response and Disclosure Among Couples Coping with Vulvodynia in
Relation to Their Sexual Satisfaction and Distress: An Observational Study
Recipient: Katy Bois
10:05-10:30am  Coffee Break  Ballroom A, 4th Floor
10:30-11:30am  Invited Talk #5  Ballroom B, 4th Floor
Sexology, Sexosophy, & African-American Sexuality: Implications for Sex Therapy
and Sexuality Research
Presenter: Herb Samuels, PhD
11:30am-12:00pm  Response to Dr. Samuels’ Talk  Ballroom B, 4th Floor
Discussants: Carita Anderson, PhD, Jasper Lawson, PhD, Judith C. White, LCSW
12:05-1:05pm  Business Meeting & Lunch  Ballroom B, 4th Floor
(Member Only)
Announcement of the Poster Awards
1:15-2:15pm  Paper Presentations: Revising and Updating Our Models and Treatment  Ballroom B, 4th Floor
Margaret Nichols, PhD: The Gender Affirmative Treatment Model: Therapy for
Transgender and Gender Nonconforming Children From a Nonpathologizing Perspective
Nonnormative Populations
Stephanie Buehler, MPW, PsyD, CST-S: Sexual Side Effects of Finasteride:
Two Case Studies
2:15-3:30pm  Invited Talk #6  Ballroom B, 4th Floor
The Pleasure Principle Revisited: How Sexual Pleasure Links Sexual Arousal,
Desire, Preference, and Performance
Presenter: James G. Pfaus, PhD
3:15-3:30pm  Break  Ballroom A, 4th Floor
3:30-5:00pm  Clinical Case Presentation: Trauma Informed Relationship and Sex Therapy  Ballroom B, 4th Floor
Case presentation: Ruth Cohn, MFT, CST
Discussant: Meg Barker, PhD
5:00pm  Closing Remarks

SATURDAY EVENING ACTIVITIES
7:00-9:00pm  Fellowship Dinners  at local restaurants and time to visit Boston on your own

SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2015
7:30-8:00am  Continental Breakfast  Plymouth Foyer, 4th Floor
8:00-11:00am  Ethics Course  Plymouth, 4th Floor
Clinical Understanding and Ethical Practice in the Therapeutic Relationship:
An Ethical Approach to Eroticized Transference
Presenter: Carita Anderson, PhD
SAVE THE DATES!

SSTAR 2015 Fall Clinical Case Conference
Friday, October 16, 2015  |  Millennium Broadway Hotel, Times Square, NY

SSTAR 2016 Annual Meeting
April 14-16, 2016  |  Conrad Hilton, Chicago, IL