The new Diagnostic Statistical Manual- Fifth Edition (DSM-5) is out after a long period of debate and discussion to significantly revise some aspects of mental and behavioral health classification and diagnosis. As the most important guide and reference in mental health diagnosis for intervention and treatment, the DSM-5 is an essential tool in clinical practice. This workshop will help you in understanding and using this tool. Through this workshop you will:

- Gain an understanding and appreciation for the major and more subtle revisions of the DSM-5;
- Learn how to use this diagnosis manual in your agency and/or private practice;
- Work on and discuss case applications to aid understanding and application of this clinical diagnosis and treatment tool.

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