

ITALIAN AMERICAN MENTAL HEALTH

Research and Praxis

**Friday, October 14, 2011
2–5 pm**

The John D. Calandra Italian American Institute (Queens College, CUNY) announces a symposium to present and discuss current research findings, as well as treatment methodologies, concerning Italian American students and families. Dr. Donna M. Chirico will discuss her research on Italian American racial and ethnic identity and the critical influence it exerts on psychological development. Three panelists, Drs. Anthony F. Tasso and Dana Kaspereen-Guidici Pietro of Fairleigh Dickinson University, and Jennifer L. Tursi of Trinitas Medical Center, will present clinical case vignettes that examine psychotherapeutic work with three different Italian American clients. The case presentations will illuminate Italian American cultural factors that are relevant to treatment.

PROGRAM:

The Importance of Self-Identification in a Multi-Ethnic Social Environment

DONNA M. CHIRICO, PhD, *York College, CUNY*

Psychotherapy with Italian Americans: A Clinical Examination of the Role of Ethnocultural Themes in Treatment

ANTHONY F. TASSO, PhD, ABPP, *Fairleigh Dickinson University*

DANA KASPEREEN-GUIDICIPIETRO, PhD, LPC, *Fairleigh Dickinson University*

JENNIFER L. TURSI, MA, *Trinitas Regional Medical Center*

RECEPTION TO FOLLOW.

All events are free and open to the public. To register, call: 212-642-2094.

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