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How to Use the Sex Offender Treatment Intervention and Progress Scale (SOTIPS)

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This seminar will focus on teaching participants how to score and use the Sex Offender Treatment Intervention and Progress Scale (McGrath, Cumming, and Lasher, 2012). The SOTIPS is a 16-item, provider-administered, dynamic instrument. It is used with the Static-99R or VASOR-2 to aid clinicians and probation and parole officers in assessing risk, identifying treatment and supervision needs, and measuring progress among adult male sex offenders. SOTIPS development and replication studies also will be reviewed.

Learning Goals:

- Upon completion of this educational activity, learners should be better able to describe the role of dynamic instruments in assessing offender risk and needs.
- Upon completion of this educational activity, learners should be better able to describe the psychometric properties of the SOTIPS.
- Upon completion of this educational activity, learners should be better able to illustrate how the SOTIPS is constructed and scored.
- Upon completion of this educational activity, learners should be able to score SOTIPS practice cases within the Standard Error of Measurement.
- Upon completion of this educational activity, learners should be better able to combine SOTIPS scores with VASOR-2 and Static-99R scores to identify overall estimations of risk and needs.
- Upon completion of this educational activity, learners should be better able to identify limitations of the SOTIPS.

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Financial Interest Disclosure:

Robert McGrath provides SOTIPS training