

Evaluation of Therapeutic Change in Sex Offenders

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The concept of therapeutic change is often disputed within the field of psychotherapy, especially in regards to sex offender treatment. Several strategies and protocols are presently used to evaluate individual therapeutic outcome. These strategies range from the degree of completion of treatment plans to elaborate recovery evaluation protocols. There is no consensus among therapists regarding an acceptable or definitive protocol to assess this change.

This presentation will address complex dynamic factors that are involved in the process of change among sex offenders. Currently available recovery evaluation of change protocols will be reviewed. The presenters will introduce The Sex Offender Recovery Checklist Evaluation Scale (SORES) and interview protocol developed specifically for the purpose of evaluating therapeutic change in sex offenders participating in their treatment program.

Participants will:

1. Review dynamic factors
2. Review various protocols of therapeutic change
3. Be introduced to Sex Offender Recovery Checklist Evaluation Scale