PEARLS OF MINDFULNESS

Countertransference: Sati-Mindfulness and Countertransference to develop alliance

Feelings tone (Neutral, Unpleasant, Pleasant)

Mindfulness point: Balance the energy when partners go into attack-defend mode.

Exercise

Write about dialogue in attack-defend mode Eg- Attack-You never do dishes Defend-I try my best	Couples -Gottman- view summary Summarize communication, see the attack as part of contempt, criticism cycle	Mindfulness View Summary Feelings tone- See spectrum of pleasant, unpleasant, neutral
	Leading to defend, stonewalling Write your own example	Give your example of how you bring forward balance

See PEARL Summary exercise next

Application in session

Counsellor (PB)- So how has the past week been

Wife (W)- It has been up and down, at times I was angry, at times afraid to express

Husband (H)- We are working on the tools you suggested, and recording and re-hearing our discussions to make us both more aware of how we sound, how the other person reacts.

Classical (Gottman informed) Counselling View- summarize the thoughts, feelings, sensations, emotions, memories -gather moments of connection, compassion, clarity. Were any of the four horsemen present-(Criticism, Contempt, Defense, Stonewalling)

Mindfulness - Modified Application- Pause and feel the energy, watch for unpleasant, pleasant and neutral moments and create a spectrum of Ease to Unease, see how communication does not turn into a contest into who is right, who is wrong.

PEARL Summary

Protective- Contest is diminished Embodied- Alliances are strengthened

Attentive- to Calm Receptive- Absorb shared moments

Liberating- De-link from Drama cycles

Exercise-Write your own PEARL Summary from the exercise on previous page.

P- Protective

E- Embodied

A- Attentive

R-Receptive

L-Liberating

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Developed by Prashant Bhatt, who focuses on marginalized and minoritized communities in his work as a psychotherapist. His work helps build nuanced conversations in identity and work behind myths of family "honour" and how one can monitor and modify patterns using tools such as the Mindfulness Meditations, Classical and Refined Countertransference, to build Healing Therapeutic Alliances

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