

## Interruptions and shortcuts: sexualities in the digital age.

CPD webinar with Philip Stokoe

Saturday 5th December 2020 10am - 4pm (with breaks)

Sexuality has moved from a central position in psychotherapeutic thinking. At the same time, there is evidence of a retreat from genuine relationships to virtual connection through social media for children and adolescents. This has become more marked during our current regime of social distancing and remote working.

Is there also a loss of the direct and visceral experience of unconscious communicating to unconscious without the conscious involvement of either party as described by Freud?

In my presentations, I hope to sketch a view of the changing focus on sexuality in the psychoanalytic world, and link this to the interruptions of the adolescent task of taking possession of the adult sexual body, facilitated by a social media that offers premature shortcuts to a superficial sexual identity.

My aim is to link these changes to the largely unnoticed differences in therapeutic work consequent on working remotely.

I hope that we can create an enjoyable engagement. *Philip Stokoe*



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His book, *The Curiosity Drive: Our Need for Inquisitive Thinking*, will be published by Phoenix Publishing House in November 2020.

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