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**Family Involvement in Eating Disorders to be Addressed at 2014
iaedp Symposium**

Pekin, ILL. (January 9, 2013) – Novel treatments and educational formats for families have produced some of the most interesting advances over the last decade in the field of eating disorders. A new workshop featured at the 2014 iaedp Symposium in St. Petersburg, Florida (February 26-March 2), will highlight and expand on these treatments in order to gain a better understanding of the relationship between family therapy and eating disorders.

The workshop, entitled “The Evolution of Family Involvements in the Field of Eating Disorders,” will be presented by Craig L. Johnson, PHD, FAED, CEDS, a key leader in the eating disorder field for over 30 years and is the Chief Clinical Officer at Eating Recovery Center in Denver, Colorado. The workshop will be presented in three sections. The first will review the history and recent research findings regarding various types of family therapy used in the treatment of eating disorders.

The second will be a description of the Family Institute. The Family Institute is a resource that is dedicated to developing teaching modules for family education delivered through Family Week and other emerging venues for dissemination. The integration and application of treatment models, including Structural, Systemic, Maudsley and Family Based Treatment, in intensive

treatment settings and “new thinking” regarding the use of technology enhance families’ search to find support among themselves.

The final section will be examples of teaching modules currently in use for Family Week and for parents that are attending the Family Institute during the discharge phase of their family member’s intensive treatment.

About iaedp: Since 1985, the [International Association of Eating Disorders Professionals](#) has provided education and training standards to an international and multidisciplinary group of various healthcare treatment providers and helping professions.

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