

The Sexuality, Gender and the Jewish Family conference explores the psychology of sexual orientation and gender identity; sexual identities in conflict; and sexual addiction, while reflecting on the new perspectives, legal tools and challenges to the Jewish family.

This is the ninth annual meeting of the Judaism, Science & Medicine Group, an international organization of natural and social scientists, philosophers, historians, physicians, rabbis, theologians and educators acting to promote and facilitate a close relationship between Jewish religion, cultures and values and the sciences for the mutual benefit of both. The organization seeks to increase the knowledge and appreciation of the sciences, Judaism and their interrelation and to offer a forum to reflect and deliberate on the implications of scientific advances from Jewish perspectives. Working across denominational lines, the organization will disseminate its mission in academic and non-academic venues using a variety of media.

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4415 East Paradise Village Parkway South, Phoenix

SUNDAY | FEBRUARY 19

- noon -1 p.m. **lunch**
- 1-1:15 p.m. **welcome**
George Justice, Dean of Humanities | *Arizona State University*
Hava Tirosh-Samuelson, Director, Jewish Studies | *Arizona State University*
- 1:15-3:30 p.m. **Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity**
chair: Rabbi David Teutsch, Ph.D. | *Reconstructionist Rabbinical College*
The Psychology of Sexual Orientations and Gender Identities
Judith Glassgold, Psy.D. | *Princeton University*
Religious Strategies for Engaging Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity
Rabbi Steve Greenberg | *Director, Eshel; faculty, Shalom Hartman Institute*
Sex, Sexuality, and Older Adults
Rabbi Richard Address | *Jewish Sacred Aging*
- 3:30-4 p.m. **break**
- 4-6:15 p.m. **Medicine and Biotechnology: Beyond Sex/Gender Dichotomy**
chair: Rabbi Elliot Dorff, Ph.D. | *Jewish University of America*
Transgender and Jewish Law: Speculations and Conclusion
Rabbi Jeffrey S. Fox, *Yeshivat Maharat*
Transgender Jews and Community: The Nexus of Halakhah and Ethics
Rabbi Leonard Sharzer, M.D. | *The Jewish Theological Seminary*
The Genesis of Gender
Joy Ladin, Ph.D. | *Yeshiva University*
- 6:15-7 p.m. **dinner break**
- 7-8:30 p.m. **The Dr. Michael Anbar Memorial Keynote Lecture in Judaism, Science and Medicine**
chair: Hava Tirosh-Samuelson, Ph.D. | *Arizona State University*
Sexuality, Gender and the Jewish Family: A Sociological Overview
Sylvia Barak Fishman, Ph.D. | *Brandeis University*

MONDAY | FEBRUARY 20

- 8:30-10 a.m. **Sexual Addiction: Diagnosis and Treatment**
chair: Michael Schwartz, M.D. | *Texas A&M*
What Is Sex Addiction: Integrating Neurobiological and Jewish Perspectives
Joel Ziff, Ed.D. | *Cambridge College*
Sex Addiction Treatment in Orthodox Communities in the United States and in Israel
Brad Salzman, LCSW | *Kivun Israel Recovery Center*
- 10-10:15 a.m. **break**
- 10:15-11:45 a.m. **Sexual Addiction: Diagnosis and Treatment (continued)**
Sex Addiction Treatment in a Jewish Residential Recovery Program
Rabbi Mark Borovitz and Harriet Rossetto | *Beit T'Shuvah, Los Angeles*
Clergy Sex Abuse: Treatment & Healing
Rick Isenberg, M.D. | *Psychological Counseling Services, Scottsdale*
- 11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. **Embodied Affiliation and Queer Desire dance performance**
Jesse Zaritt | *Peridance Capezio Center*
- 12:30-1:30 p.m. **lunch break**
- 1:30-3:30 p.m. **The Jewish Family Reimagined**
chair: Joel Ziff, Ed.D. | *Cambridge College*
New Perspectives, New Legal Tools, New Moral Challenges: Introduction to a New Family Era
Irit Rosenblum, Founder & CEO | *New Family Organization, Tel Aviv*
Family Values or Valuing Families in the 21st Century?
Madeline Adelman, Ph.D. | *Arizona State University*
- 3:30 p.m. **departure**
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