**Psychiatry & Psychotherapy Podcast Series: Episode 118: Using Microexpressions to Improve Empathy, Therapeutic Alliance & Emotional Intelligence (Therapeutic Alliance Series Part 8)**

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**Purpose**

This episode builds on the therapeutic alliance series to express my thoughts on how understanding emotion, specifically microexpressions, can better help you make connections with your clients.

**Target Audience**

Specialties – Family Medicine, Medicine, Psychiatry & Human Behavior

Professions – Physician, Nurse Practitioner, Physician Assistant

**Activity Objectives**

1 Describe the different microexpressions

2 Describe how knowing someone’s internal emotions might be helpful to empathy

3 Describe how someone might use knowing someone’s microexpressions in psychotherapy

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**Agenda**

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