

The Role of Emotional Intelligence in Clinical Psychology

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Abstract. This article examines the significance of emotional intelligence (EI) in clinical psychology practice. It provides evidence on how EI can enhance therapeutic outcomes by fostering better communication and empathy between therapists and clients. The paper also explores methods to assess and improve EI among clinical psychologists.

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Introduction

Emotional intelligence (EI) is a critical component in the field of clinical psychology, influencing the dynamics of therapist-client interactions. This article explores the multifaceted role of EI in therapeutic settings, highlighting its impact on treatment outcomes. By integrating theoretical perspectives with empirical research, the article provides insights into how EI contributes to enhanced communication and empathy. It further delves into strategies for assessing and developing EI among clinical psychologists, offering practical tools for practitioners. The discussion extends to the implications of EI for client satisfaction and therapeutic success.

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