

Dr. Harold Shinitzky, Psy.D. is in private practice in Clearwater and St. Petersburg, FL.

Dr. Shinitzky was the recipient of the 2015 Florida Psychological Association (FPA) Outstanding Contributions to Psychology in the Public Interest, recipient of the 2011 Outstanding Contributions to FPA Award, the recipient of the 2009 FPA Distinguished Psychologist Award, and the 2009 FPA Outstanding Contributions to Psychology in the Public Interest. He was elected by his peers for nine consecutive terms as President of the Florida Psychological Association, Pinellas Chapter.

Dr. Shinitzky has co-authored, *Take Control of Your Anxiety: A Drug-Free Approach to Living a Happy, Healthy Life* (Career Press, 2015). He also co-authored, *Your Mind: An Owner's Manual for a Better Life* (Career Press, 2009). He is the national consultant to the Police Athletic Leagues. Dr. Shinitzky was selected as the 2000 Martin Luther King, Jr. Award for Community Service.

Dr. Shinitzky has been the mental health correspondent for Animal Planet's *Fatal Attractions*, Discovery ID, Radio Disney, ABC-Baltimore (*Fast Forward*) and ABC-Tampa (*ABC's of Parenting*), and FOX-Tampa (*Your Turn, Good Day Tampa Bay*).

His specialties include; Sports Psychology and Child Psychology. Dr. Shinitzky is the consulting Sports Psychologist for the Tampa Bay Rowdies professional soccer team. He has worked with Olympic and professional athletes from every major association (PGA, NFL, NBA, MLB, NHL) as well as nationally ranked junior athletes. He is the consulting Sports Psychologist for Athlete Connections, an educational life skills program helping student-athletes transition to life after sports.

Dr. Shinitzky was the Director of the Assessment/Intervention Team (AIT) Prevention Services at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Department of Pediatrics. The AIT provided comprehensive evaluations of high-risk youths and their families. While at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine he was selected for two three-year Fellowships. Dr. Shinitzky has developed and facilitated after school, positive peer oriented prevention groups for high-risk youth. Dr. Shinitzky was recently appointed to the Medical Advisory Board for the Florida Office of Drug Control.

Dr. Shinitzky is a highly desired presenter and trainer covering a multitude of topics from Sports Psychology, Asperger's Interventions, Clinical Motivational Interviewing, to High School Dropout Prevention Programs. A few speaking highlights include; presenting to the United Nations 6<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference on Substance Abuse in Italy, presenting to the Drug Prevention Networks of the Americas in Buenos Aires, Argentina, and presenting to the National Forum on Native American Dropout Prevention Strategies.

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