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Michele Galietta, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Psychology at the John Jay College of Criminal Justice, City University of New York heads the Forensic Psychology Ph.D. Program. Dr. Galietta is a clinician and researcher specializing in the assessment and treatment of violence. She is currently Co-Principal Investigator of a project funded by the National Institute of Mental Health designed to refine and evaluate various treatments for violent offenders, particularly those who engage in stalking. The study compares standard anger management treatment with Dialectical Behavior Therapy, a comprehensive cognitive-behavioral intervention. Dr. Galietta was a lead investigator on the study "Nature and Scope of Sexual Abuse of Minors by Catholic Priests and Deacons in the U.S. 1950-2002." Her areas of expertise include the treatment of violent individuals, assessment and treatment of severe personality disorders, suicidality in correctional settings, non-suicidal self-injury (e.g., cutting), stalking, trauma and PTSD, women who kill their children, and the insanity defense. She is an expert in Dialectical Behavior Therapy, a treatment for individuals with severe emotion regulation problems. She has developed Dialectical Behavior Therapy programs in Inpatient and Outpatient Hospital Settings, as well as various forensic settings. She has consulted to the Federal Bureau of Prisons, as well as national and local correctional settings and hospitals. She has conducted training for the New York City Police Officers on communicating with mentally ill individuals, as well as hostage negotiations. Dr. Galietta has appeared on CNN and Court TV, and has been cited in the New York Times and other media outlets.