



From: Dr. Danielle Sheypuk, Clinical Psychologist
Expert Commentator on “The Sessions”

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Expert Availability on “The Sessions”: Psychologist Dr. Danielle Sheypuk

NYC expert in disability, dating, sexuality, offers perspectives on Oscar®-nominated film

New York, NY – Wheelchair-dependent since childhood, psychologist [Dr. Danielle Sheypuk](#) is today a leading expert on the psychology of dating, relationships and sexuality among the disabled.

Dr. Sheypuk is available to the news media to provide expert commentary on the [Golden Globe®](#)- and [Oscar®](#)-nominated 2012 film, “[The Sessions](#),” starring [John Hawkes](#), [Helen Hunt](#) and William H. Macy. The film tells the story of Mark O'Brien, a 36-year-old man who uses an iron lung, who decides he no longer wishes to be a virgin. With the help of his therapist and his priest, he contacts a sex surrogate who guides him on his journey to manhood. Hawkes is Golden Globe-nominated for Best Actor, Drama, and Hunt is Globe- and Oscar-nominated for Best Supporting Actress.

Dr. Sheypuk holds a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology (2009) from the New School for Social Research. She received her undergraduate degree in Clinical Psychology from Marywood University of Pennsylvania.

After snagging the title “Ms. Wheelchair New York” in April 2012, Dr. Sheypuk, 34, appeared in media venues as diverse as [The New York Daily News](#), [The Daily Mail](#) (U.K.), SiriusXM Doctor Radio, WNBC Weekend Today in NY, WNBC New York Nightly News, WOR Radio’s *Valerie’s New York*, and on the SexTalkRadio.com interview show, *mPerfect*.

Dr. Sheypuk has since established an innovative private practice that employs Skype-based therapy sessions.

“The Skype method of therapy is different from traditional office-based therapy in that it is conducted over the internet and allows the client to stay in their own environment,” says Dr. Sheypuk. “This is especially useful in cases where the client is physically disabled, and it is not easy or convenient for the client to be physically present in the office or clinic.” To learn more about Dr. Sheypuk’s Skype-based private therapy practice, please visit her website at <http://daniellesheypuk.com/>

In 2013, Danielle will be the subject of a video profile by Yahoo! Shine Network, and her portrait and story will appear in a forthcoming book published by the Dana and Christopher Reeve Foundation. Danielle is also at work with her public relations agency, Tranquility49, in association with a NYC-based producer/director, to tape the pilot for a reality-based TV series, focused on Danielle’s urban exploits with four attractive, single women friends – each with a degree in psychology.

Dr. Danielle Sheypuk is available for a variety of media interviews and speaking opportunities. Her representation is through Tranquility49 LLC, patrick@tranquility49.com, +1-201-941-1196.

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