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MISSION STATEMENT
VISION, MISSION, VALUES, AND GOALS
of the
INSTITUTE ON PSYCHIATRIC SERVICES

VISION
The Institute on Psychiatric Services (IPS) of the American Psychiatric Association is a yearly educational meeting which focuses on the needs of the most vulnerable, disenfranchised, and difficult-to-serve patients.

MISSION
The mission of the IPS is to train and support psychiatrists to provide quality care and leadership through study of the array of clinical innovations and services necessary to meet the needs of individuals who suffer from serious mental illness, substance abuse, or other assaults to their mental health due to trauma or adverse social circumstances, in order to assure optimal care and hope of recovery.

VALUES AND GOALS
To fulfill this mission, the IPS holds an annual meeting each fall that focuses on clinical and service programs, especially those that provide a complex array of services and clinical innovations to meet the needs of the most difficult-to-serve patients. Such programs constitute the continuum of care, from state and general hospitals to community-based drop-in centers, and attempt to meet the needs of persons living in rural communities as well as the urban poor. The focus on more difficult-to-serve patients requires attention to the social and community contexts in which these patients are treated and reside. Contextual issues must be addressed because they operate as significant variables in the course of the psychiatric illnesses of certain patient populations such as those with severe and persistent mental illness, members of minority groups and those suffering economic hardships, most children and adolescents, the elderly, patients living in rural communities or in communities of immigrants, and patients treated in settings for physically or intellectually disabled individuals.

The IPS, therefore, fosters discussions of such issues as housing and vocational rehabilitation equally with innovative psychological treatments and pharmacotherapy. The clinical focus of the IPS is on innovations and adaptations of proven therapies as they are applied to the more difficult-to-serve populations. The IPS also serves as a forum for discussing systems of care, quality management, government policy, and social and economic factors as they have an impact on the most vulnerable patients.

The mission of the IPS is of particular significance to an important subset of APA members who are its prime constituents. This includes psychiatrists who identify themselves as in community practice, those involved in teaching community practice, those who serve in the public sector, such as staff working in state, community, and Veterans Affairs hospitals, community clinics, jails, or other community agencies, psychiatric administrators and those with a particular interest in the social issues that have an impact on patients. It is a goal of the IPS to provide a venue for relevant scientific programs that will retain such psychiatrists as valued members of the APA and attract colleagues who are not yet members. The IPS functions as a prime APA service to these important, devoted, and often isolated colleagues, many of whom are psychiatrists of color or international medical graduates. It is the goal of the IPS to reach out and encourage these psychiatrists to join the APA and attend this meeting. In turn, the APA will strive to ensure that the IPS serves as a professional home for these groups of colleagues.

Serving the populations that have been identified as the focus of the IPS involves collaboration with a wide variety of other professionals as well as with consumers, family members, and advocates. Therefore, an important part of the mission of the IPS is to encourage interdisciplinary and family member participation. Indeed, this mission has been an organizing principle of the IPS since its inception. Efforts will be made to further reach out to families, consumers, and allied professionals in the communities where meetings are held, and attention will be paid to ensuring their access to the IPS. The IPS is supportive of allied psychiatric organizations who share a similar vision and mission for which the IPS can serve as a scientific venue. It is part of the mission of the IPS to meet the needs of such allied groups for meeting times and space.
HELPING DEPRESSED PATIENTS ACHIEVE REMISSION: ADVOCACY FOR IMPROVEMENT
Supported by Bristol-Myers Squibb Company

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this symposium, the participant should be able to:
1) Recognize factors contributing to heterogeneity in response and remission and the implications for treatment outcomes; 2) Evaluate strategies for partial or non-responders that include switching, augmentation, and combination treatments; 3) Examine the role of pharmacogenetics in treatment selection; and 4) Design a treatment plan that utilizes non-pharmacologic and pharmacological strategies to achieve remission.

SUMMARY
Symptom remission is the goal of treating depression. However, most patients are “treatment resistant” and don’t achieve remission with any one treatment, likely reflecting the heterogeneous pathobiology underpinning depression. Current practice recommends a range of ‘trial and error’ sequential treatment steps, including switching, augmentation, or combination treatments. Unfortunately, few prospective randomized controlled trials have compared multiple augmentation or switch treatments. This symposium will present findings from controlled treatment trials—including the Sequenced Treatment Alternatives to Relieve Depression (STAR*D) trial—that have investigated augmentation/combination treatments at the second and third treatment steps and switch treatments at the second, third, and fourth treatment steps.

No. 1A
HETEROGENEITY IN RESPONSE AND REMISSION: IMPLICATIONS FOR OPTIMIZING TREATMENT
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SUMMARY:
The treatment of depression aims to achieve and sustain symptomatic remission, because it is associated with better function and a better prognosis. However, no single treatment produces remission in more than half the patients. Consequently, multi-step treatment algorithms have been developed to improve outcomes utilizing augmentation or combination treatments and/or several switches to different treatments. The evidence to evaluate such algorithms will be presented. The use of combination (e.g., two medications or medication plus psychotherapy) has been suggested to create greater rates of remission. Results of these studies will be reviewed. Finally, achieving remission acutely is only the beginning of efforts to sustain remission over the longer-term. The long-term outcomes of depressed patients who entered 1-year follow-up after responding or remitting with an initial or subsequent treatment attempt will be reviewed. These long-term outcomes also document the heterogeneity of depressed patients in the likelihood of sustaining acute remission.

No. 1B
SWITCHING TREATMENTS: FOR WHOM AND TO WHAT EFFECT?
Maurizio Fava, M.D., Director, Clinical Depression and Research Program, Psychopharmacology Unit, Department of Psychiatry, Massachusetts General Hospital, 15 Parkman Street, WACC 812, Boston, MA 02114

SUMMARY:
As many as 50% of depressed patients show only partial or no response to treatment with antidepressants, and failure to achieve response or remission is a common reason for switching antidepressant treatments. Similarly, intolerance or the presence of significantly burdensome side-effects may lead to treatment discontinuation and to switching antidepressant agents. The switching strategy involves substitution of another agent for the agent that has either caused intolerable side effects or has failed to induce the desired response. In clinical practice, switching to a different class of antidepressants is typically the most popular choice, although a substantial proportion of clinicians favor a switch within the same class. There is a clear paucity in the literature of studies comparing the efficacy of switching strategies in depression and, in particular, of the switch within the class vs. the switch to a different class. The Sequenced Treatment Alternatives to Relieve Depression (STAR*D) trial provides a unique opportunity to examine the effectiveness in real world settings of switch treatments at the second, third, and fourth treatment steps. This presentation will review both the STAR*D results as well as the existing literature on the efficacy
of switching antidepressants among depressed patients who have not tolerated or responded to antidepressant treatment. Finally, the presentation will discuss the available data suggesting the predictive role of specific clinical characteristics with respect to response to switching antidepressants.

No. 1C
OPTIMIZING ANTIDEPRESSANT TREATMENTS: USE OF AUGMENTATION AND COMBINATIONS TO ACHIEVE REMISSION

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SUMMARY:

Although a large number of treatment alternatives exist for depression, no one treatment is effective for everyone, and many patients with depression do not experience a satisfactory clinical benefit from their initial treatment. For various reasons including inadequacy of pharmacological management, less than 30% of patients benefit sufficiently (i.e., have a remission) from a first antidepressant trial. The remaining 70% (non-remitters and non-responders to the initial treatment) must move on to the “next step” where patients receive some alternative to the initial failed trial or more commonly either an augmentation or a combination of pharmacotherapy.

Many recent efforts including the Texas Medication Algorithm Project, NIMH funded STAR*D project and NIMH funded REVAMP project all aim to determine the most effective treatment strategies for patients who do not benefit adequately (symptom remission) from initial treatment. The treatment protocols aim to determine and to implement an adequate dose and duration of medication (or psychotherapy) at every stage following the initial failed trial.

The most challenging task facing clinicians centers around choosing the best augmentation or combination of pharmacological and of psychotherapeutic treatments and addressing the clinical, pharmacodynamic, pharmacokinetic challenges with polypharmacy to ensure optimal care. Current evidence for efficacy of augmentations and combinations including the results of STAR*D will be discussed.

No. 1D
PSYCHOTHERAPY: FOR WHOM AND TO WHAT EFFECT?

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SUMMARY:

Several forms of psychotherapy have established efficacy for treatment of depression, but most of the data are derived from studies of less severely impaired outpatients. Moreover, although this segment of the population is the most likely to use mental health services (and thus efficacy data are very relevant to the public health), they are also the easiest to treat and might respond equally well to numerous other interventions. The proper role of psychotherapy for treatment of more severe depressive states continues to be a more contentious issue. This presentation will review more recent studies of psychotherapy and will focus on more severely or persistently depressed patient groups, including those with recurrent, chronic, treatment-resistant, and bipolar disorders. It is concluded that focused-forms of psychotherapy are useful alternatives to pharmacotherapy for the easier to treat and increase the chances of response/remission and reduce the risk of relapse when added to adequate pharmacotherapy. There is still too little data pertaining to alternate psychotherapies to conclude that one is the psychological treatment of first choice for patients with more severe and persistent mood disorders, although cognitive behavior therapy has been the most extensively studied.

No. 1E
PHARMACOGENETICS: CAN WE CUSTOMIZE THE TREATMENTS FOR DEPRESSION?

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SUMMARY:

Many clinical challenges remain in the management of depression such as optimization of dose, control of adverse reactions, and poor response to pharmacological treatment. There is a paucity of evidence regarding clinical predictors of antidepressant response. The expanding field of pharmacogenetics provides new insights regarding the influences of genetics features on pharmacological response. As pharmacogenetic research accelerates, the potential for optimizing and customizing psychopharmacology to the individual patient increases. Understanding variations in the sequences of genes whose products are known to be targets of different drugs may provide clinicians with clues regarding response to treatment and the potential for side effects. In a study presented at the 2005 NCDEU, 246 cognitively intact patients with MDD, 65 years and older, were treated for 16 weeks with paroxetine or mirtazapine. Researchers found that the epoE4 allele was a predictor of antidepressant efficacy, whereas polymorphism in the 5HT2A gene
was associated with side effects. This presentation will focus on aligning depressive subtypes into more complex categories based on genotyping. Examples of the role of pharmacogenetics in predicting response to AEDs in epileptic patients will be the model for the discussion on the subtyping of depression.

REFERENCES:
1. Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance, April 2005

Industry-Supported Symposium 2
Friday, October 6
6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m.

CONSIDERATIONS IN TREATMENT OPTIONS FOR BIPOLAR DEPRESSION
Supported by AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this symposium, the participant should be able to demonstrate knowledge of treatment options for bipolar depression, including the role of psychotherapy in bipolar depression; the pros and cons of antidepressant therapy in bipolar depression; and gain knowledge of novel treatment options beyond conventional antidepressants.

SUMMARY:
This symposium will consist of three presentations that address considerations in treatment options for bipolar depression. They include the role of psychotherapy, the use of antidepressant therapy, and treatment options beyond conventional antidepressants. Dr. Swartz will discuss the role of psychotherapy in bipolar depression. Her presentation will focus on evidence that demonstrates advantages of providing selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors in addition to medication therapy. Dr. Thase will examine the pros and cons of antidepressant therapy in bipolar disorder. Dr. McIntyre will discuss treatment options for bipolar depression beyond psychotherapy and conventional antidepressants. His presentation will include combination and integrated treatment approaches. These discussions will be followed by a question and answer session.

No. 2A
EXAMINING THE PROS AND CONS OF ANTIDEPRESSANT THERAPY IN BIPOLAR DEPRESSION

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SUMMARY:
There have been enormous changes in treatment standards and practices for bipolar affective disorders over the past decade. New forms of treatment—including the novel anticonvulsant lamotrigine and the entire class of atypical antipsychotics—are now widely used, while use of lithium salts and, to a lesser extent, divalproex and carbamazepine have decreased. Within this climate of change, the proper role of antidepressants in management of bipolar affective disorders remains controversial.

More frequent and disabling than the manic episodes, bipolar depression has a progressive, episodic, and chronic nature, with much higher rates of treatment resistance. Although there is a strong push to use antidepressant to lessen such suffering, there are multiple reasons to minimize antidepressant use. Foremost among these considerations is an almost shockingly sparse amount of evidence documenting the efficacy of antidepressants in bipolar depression and a lack of consensus about the appropriate duration of therapy. There are also important concerns about the risks of induction of mania and rapid cycling. This presentation will focus on the use of antidepressants in bipolar depression, specifically addressing...
their pros and cons and making recommendations for current practice.

No. 2B
ROLE OF ADJUNCTIVE PSYCHOTHERAPY FOR BIPOLAR DEPRESSION

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SUMMARY:
Although effective medications for the acute treatment of mania are plentiful, it has become increasingly clear that current pharmacotherapeutic options have limited efficacy in treatment of bipolar depression. As a result, time to remission for a depressive episode in bipolar I disorder is longer than time to remission for a manic episode, and many patients continue to experience sub-syndromal depressive symptoms and poor psychosocial functioning after the syndromal depression remits. Bipolar-specific psychotherapy, when administered in conjunction with pharmacotherapy, may play an important role both in the treatment of acute bipolar depression and in the long-term management of residual depressive symptoms. Several well-described psychotherapies including psychoeducation, cognitive-behavioral therapy, family-focused therapy, and interpersonal and social rhythm therapy have demonstrated efficacy in the treatment of bipolar I disorder in general and in the management of bipolar depression specifically. This presentation will focus on empirical evidence demonstrating the incremental advantages of providing bipolar-specific psychotherapy in addition to pharmacotherapy for the treatment and prevention of bipolar depression.

No. 2C
BEYOND ANTIDEPRESSANTS: TREATMENT OPTIONS FOR BIPOLAR DEPRESSION

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SUMMARY:
The symptomatic portrait of bipolar disorder is comprised largely of depressive symptoms. Moreover, depressive symptoms are associated with suicidality, neuropsychological impairment, medical morbidity and they portend functional impairment. The evidentiary base supporting the use of somatic therapies and psychosocial interventions in the acute and maintenance treatment of bipolar depression is woefully inadequate. Although lithium is a treatment alternative, its effectiveness in real world settings is less than ideal. Both expert consensus and evidence-based treatment guidelines for bipolar disorder emphasize the need for established treatment options for the depressed phase of the illness. This presentation will review novel treatment avenues beyond conventional antidepressants for the depressed phase of bipolar disorder. Both acute and maintenance phases of the illness will be emphasized, as will combination and integrated treatment approaches.

REFERENCES:
INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS: SESSION 1
MINORITIES AND DUAL DIAGNOSIS

Innovative Program 1 Thursday, October 5
10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

ADAPTING RELAPSE PREVENTION AND HARM REDUCTION SKILLS TO MINORITIES WITH DUAL DIAGNOSIS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to modify the slippery slope of addiction relapse to abstinence for cross-culture purposes; and understand the modification of the skills for drug refusal, asking for support, leveling with therapists and psychiatrists, responding to slips before they become serious relapses; and making U turns away from high-risk situations.

SUMMARY:
Although integrated treatments for the dually diagnosed are evidence-based, it is not clear what specific types of treatment modalities to employ within this approach. Most treatments attempt to teach new concepts and skills related to avoidance of drugs and alcohol, but the cognitive and symptomatic attributes of severe mental disorders often interfere with the learning process. Patients come from various ethnic and racial backgrounds and often suffer from PTSD in addition to chronic psychosis. The Substance Abuse Management Module, developed for this population at a VA hospital, is based on relapse prevention and harm avoidance within the context of basic principles of human learning. Skills such as cutting a slip off before it becomes a major relapse, refusing drugs from dealers or friends and family, seeking support at times of craving, leveling with treatment providers, reporting symptoms and side effects to a psychiatrist, avoiding or escaping from high-risk situations for relapse, and climbing the slippery slope toward abstinence and a healthy life-style. These skills are taught in group sessions with coordination provided by case managers who connect the patients with psychiatrists, 12 step programs, community social services, and sober living residences. Research has shown clinically and statistically significant reductions in drug/alcohol abuse among persons with psychosis. An important element in this module is adapting the skills being taught to the cultural values and family expectations of each patient. ‘‘One suit does not fit all’’ and ‘‘only penguins, not patients are alike’’.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Mental health and substance abuse professionals.

REFERENCES:

Innovative Program 2 Thursday, October 5
10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

THE MATRIX MODEL WITH DUALLY DIAGNOSED LATINOS, ASIANS, AND ARABS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to identify the culturally competent components of integrated treatment programs for the dually diagnosed from Arab, Asian, and Latino backgrounds; and adapt motivational interviewing, relapse prevention, and harm avoidance procedures to varied cultures.

SUMMARY:
The Matrix Model offers a multi-component treatment and rehabilitation therapy for persons with addictions and mental disorders. The Matrix Model begins with motivational interviewing to engage clients in treatment, moving them from the ‘‘contemplation’’ to the ‘‘actively involved’’ stage of participation. Individual and group treatment focus on encouraging patients to identify personal goals that are meaningful and consistent with their particular values, family, and cultural background. In the Matrix Model, the therapist functions simultaneously as teacher and coach, fostering an encouraging, non-confrontational relationship with the patient and using that relationship to reinforce positive behavior change. Standard psychoeducational lectures explain the processes that sustain addictive behavior and the rationale for the therapeutic components. The components include relapse prevention, family involvement, self-help involvement, urinalysis and breath testing, individual
sessions, early recovery groups, relapse prevention groups, and social support groups. Early recovery groups teach patients how to (a) use cognitive tools to reduce craving; (b) schedule their time; and (c) connect with community support services such as sober living and 12 step groups. Throughout, coordination with psychiatric providers on a frequent basis is paramount to recovery. Integration of substance abuse treatment with that of mental disorders is accomplished using phone, in-person conferences, and a listserv e-mail communication.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Professionals working with dually diagnosed individuals.

REFERENCES:

Innovative Program 3 Thursday, October 5 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
LEARNING HEALTHY PLEASURES BY MINORITIES WITH DUAL DIAGNOSIS
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to use cultural competence in teaching dually diagnosed patients to acquire and maintain ‘healthy pleasures’ as a means of stabilizing them in a sober lifestyle; and identify and understand the mechanisms used to coordinate different agencies and treatment providers to create an integrated dual diagnosis treatment program.

SUMMARY:
Replacing the drug habit and its manifold subjective, mood enhancing, anxiety reducing, and socializing benefits with healthy habits and pleasures can be effective in maintaining abstinence and recovery from mental disorders and substance dependence. The healthy pleasures must have a strongly reinforcing effect on the individual to displace the powerful euphoria and relaxation evoked by illicit drugs. Because of individual differences, healthy pleasures underline the aphorism, ‘different strokes for different folks’. Nowhere is this more important for treatment providers than with individuals from different cultures. Cultural competence, as well as an empirical approach to identifying healthy pleasures are essential for effective treatment of minorities with dual diagnosis. For example, Asian-Americans are more attuned to activities that provide clear and rapid feedback of instrumental success, while unacculturated Latinos respond more to activities that involve family members and friends from the same background. Healthy habits are activities that have tangible effects such as personal hygiene, physical exercise, volunteer and remunerative work. Healthy pleasures are enjoyable activities that ‘feel good’ and are consistent with sobriety. Teaching healthy habits and pleasures requires social modeling, sober buddies, video-assisted learning, positive reinforcement and encouragement from the therapist, and reinforcer sampling. Healthy pleasures will be clarified in the treatment of a person of Arab background.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Mental health and substance abuse professionals.

REFERENCES:

INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS: SESSION 2

INNOVATIVE TREATMENT IN HOSPITAL SETTINGS

Innovative Program 4 Thursday, October 5 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.
HOME TREATMENT FOR ACUTE MENTAL DISORDERS: AN ALTERNATIVE TO HOSPITALIZATION
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to describe what mobile crisis home treatment is and how it fits into mental health systems; and describe the evidence base for this model.
SUMMARY:

The idea of designing a mental health service specifically to avoid hospitalization and treat acutely ill patients in their homes, has received high-profile international attention in the last decade.

The U.S. Surgeon-General, and the Canadian Federal Government have issued reports recommending the development and expansion of such services, which are now widely available in Britain and Australia.

Reasons for this increased interest are many and varied. They include: 1) Worldwide reduction in beds; 2) Cost reduction; 3) Mental health laws limiting hospital care; 4) Consumers and families desire to avoid hospital admission and 5) Community care has advantages over hospital care for certain groups and disorders. In addition there is a strong evidence base for home treatment of acute mental disorders.

In this session, participants will learn the core features of acute home treatment (here termed mobile crisis home treatment) how it is different to PACT, and its important role in mental health systems. The research will be reviewed, and the key elements and principles of mobile crisis home treatment will be outlined. A case history of mobile crisis home treatment will be presented.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):

Mental health professionals, administrators, and planners who are interested in alternatives to hospitalization.

REFERENCES:

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to understand the results of a 14-month study on the psychiatric use of unscheduled medications in the Pennsylvania State Hospital system, from March 2004 through May 2005; appreciate the positive effects on patient safety measures when unscheduled psychiatric medications are reduced; and realize potential barriers to discontinuing the psychiatric use of PRN orders.

SUMMARY:

Summary: Beginning in March 2004, the nine hospitals that comprise the Pennsylvania State Hospital system, with an average monthly census of 2,000 people, began a year-long study to measure the amount of unscheduled psychiatric medications being administered and reduce its use. The hospital system serves people with severe mental illnesses and provides 60,000 days of care each month.

Method: Each hospitals 24-hour nursing report was modified to record the unscheduled use of psychiatric medications administered via PRN and STAT physician order. Patient demographics, including the specific medication administered, its dose, route, and the reason for the medication was part of the uniform dataset used in all nine hospitals. Monthly statistical reports were issued to the hospital system that identified patients who were the highest users of unscheduled psychiatric medications. This information was compared with incident reports of falls, aggression, medication errors, adverse drug reactions, assaults with injury, physical and mechanical restraint use, and seclusion.

Results: The psychiatric use of unscheduled medications in the nine hospital system decreased from 88 per 1,000 days of care in March 2004 to 18 per 1,000 days of care in March 2005. Control measures’ including incidents of patient falls, aggression, adverse drug reaction, assaults with injury, and seclusion and restraint all decreased by at least 10% during this study period. Medication errors showed a slight increase during this same period.

Conclusion: Increasing the quality of the decision-making regarding the need to use unscheduled psychiatric medication by requiring a physicians STAT order can have a positive effect on most measures of patient care and decrease patient exposure to unnecessary psychotropic medications.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):

Psychiatrists, nurses, researchers, policy makers, advocates, state officials, consumers and their family members.
REFERENCES:

Innovative Program 6    Thursday, October 5
1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

REDUCING TRAUMA THROUGH THE REDUCTION AND ELIMINATION OF SECLUSION AND RESTRAINT

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to appreciate the traumatizing effect the use of seclusion and restraint has on children, adults, and on the staff who support them; describe the strategies used in Massachusetts and Pennsylvania to reduce and eliminate the use of seclusion and restraint; and understand the effective core strategies developed by the staff and faculty of the National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors (NASMHPD) Technical Assistance Center on alternatives to the use of seclusion and restraint.

SUMMARY:
This session focuses on the traumatizing effects the use of seclusion and restraint has on consumers and staff and current strategies to reduce and eliminate the use of these restrictive measures. Representatives from Massachusetts and Pennsylvania will share their varied approaches at discontinuing the use of these practices, including current data on their systems rates of use. Information on the use of response teams, assault deescalation techniques, and patient and staff debriefing procedures are some of the approaches to be discussed. An overview of national emerging best practices for reducing the use of these traumatizing measures will also be included.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Psychiatrists, nurses, researchers, policy makers, advocates, state officials and consumers and their family members.

REFERENCES:

INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS: SESSION 3
COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIPS

Innovative Program 7    Thursday, October 5
3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

GOOD NEIGHBOR HEALTH CLINIC: MENTAL AND DENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE UNINSURED

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to understand ways to provide mental and dental health services to the uninsured; and recognize how to overcome barriers to accessing additional services for clients of a clinic when the clients needs exceed what the clinic can provide.

SUMMARY:
The Good Neighbor Health Clinic in White River Junction, Vermont has provided primary care to uninsured residents of a broad geographic area in Vermont and New Hampshire since 1992. For the past two years, the clinic has offered mental health services by utilizing
psychiatry residents from Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, as well as community psychiatrists who have volunteered to supervise residents and see clients themselves. The psychiatrists working there have noticed that many of their clients have dental problems that are more serious (infection, chronic pain) than their mental health issues. This has led to a new effort to recruit dentists and dental hygienists to address these problems.

This presentation will describe the evolution of the mental health services at the clinic and how services offered to the uninsured are coordinated. The internal referral process will be described and the interfaces with the smoking cessation, nutrition classes, and walking groups will be explained. The latest efforts to access and coordinate dental services will also be addressed. Limitation on what services can be safely offered in a volunteer clinic and how emergencies are handled will also be included. Finally, plans for additional mental health and dental services will be described.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
This presentation is geared towards psychiatrists and other clinicians interested in proving well-coordinated services to the uninsured.

REFERENCES:

INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should better understand the potential benefits and challenges associated with implementing a clinically-oriented, multidisciplinary State-University collaboration.

SUMMARY:
Traditional State-University collaborations tend to be structured around education or research and based within single disciplines (often psychiatry). The New Jersey state-funded multidisciplinary collaboration (1999-) is clinically oriented, its team (n=12-15) representing four University Medical and Dental of New Jersey (UMDNJ) entities (Nursing, Psychiatry, Rehabilitation, and Social Work). Implemented sequentially in two state hospitals (>1,200 patients), goals included improved staff competencies, service delivery, implementation of best practices/rehabilitation-recovery, reduced violence/seclusion/restraint, increased discharges, and improved morale and institutional public perception. On-site undergraduate courses, in-service training, new-program development, staff mentoring and organizational/clinical consultations were introduced. Multidisciplinary university teams work with hospital treatment teams. University staff participate in hospital-wide committees and helped develop service-oriented research. Challenges came from custodial/symptom-oriented cultures, interdisciplinary differences (within hospital and university teams), and diffuse team/institutional leadership. Program development occurred in phases: 1) insinuation of the (externally-imposed) university into hospital culture; 2) more open collaboration (years 3-6); and 3) more active partnering with administrative/clinical leadership at multiple levels. Attempts to apply lessons from the first hospital to the second will be discussed. The New Jersey affiliation will be contrasted with models, such as in New Hampshire, that effect change through focused educational/research programs, rather than targeting clinical services directly. Feasibility of the New Jersey model for other settings, including costs/benefits, will be discussed.

REFERENCES:
Innovative Program 9
Thursday, October 5
3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

DEVELOPMENT OF A HOSPITAL-UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIP TO PREVENT AND TREAT PTSD

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should understand steps taken to establish an innovative center for research, treatment, and training in traumatic stress, focusing on treatment and prevention of violence in women’s lives; and recognize how he/she might evaluate the success of introducing an innovative trauma program.

SUMMARY:
Content: We describe an innovative program to develop psychiatric research, clinical service, and training in traumatic stress. The partnership integrates university and medical system-based faculty for evidence-based treatment, research and training, with a focus on preventing and treatment of violence in women’s lives.

Methodology and Results: Within three years, we established 11 M.D./Ph.D. research teams; increased to over 250 patients per year with a success rate of over 85% (achieving at least a 50% decrease in symptoms and falling in below clinical range on PTSD); provided violence and HIV prevention services to over 300 women per year; developed two model intervention programs with high-risk women; integrated doctoral and post-doctoral training in psychology and in psychiatry; received over $8 million in grants, and published 26 papers (2005).

Conclusion: This innovative program illustrates how a clinical psychiatry department and research university combined their strengths in the area of traumatic stress research, clinical service, and training to create a center with national standing, providing greatly increased community service to prevent and treat violence.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Participants interested in community-based psychiatry and research on PTSD and prevention and treatment of violence in women’s lives.

REFERENCES:
a multi-disciplinary approach to crisis stabilization and integrating services provided by case-managers, mental health professionals, substance abuse professionals, nurses, and psychiatrists. Data-to-date (June 2004—June 2005) have shown significant support for the cost-effectiveness of these services.

REFERENCES:

Innovative Program 11 Friday, October 6 8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.
COMMUNITY SERVICES NETWORK: RECOVERY-ORIENTED CARE FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should possess useful information on the development and implementation of an innovative and comprehensive community-based service system for individuals with serious mental illnesses; and develop an appreciation of some of the many challenges associated with the coordinated and oversight of this recovery-oriented system of care.

SUMMARY:
The recent debates about health care reform have focused attention on the need to develop organized systems of care capable of delivering comprehensive services which are coordinated or integrated (Hoge and Howenstine, 1997) and which promote recovery-oriented care (President’s New Freedom Commission, 2003). The Community Services Network (CSN) of Greater New Haven, funded by the State of Connecticut and for which Yale University School of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry provides administrative oversight and coordination of services, strives to meet this need. A consortium of 16 community-based not-for-profit organizations, the CSN provides psychiatric rehabilitation services to more than 5,000 individuals with serious mental illnesses annually. Services include a broad array of clinical, residential, vocation, social rehabilitation, case management, crisis, respite and family supports, which strive to adhere to recovery-oriented principles of care. This session will provide an overview of the CSN and its services and highlight some of the many associated challenges in the areas of service coordination, program development and quality assurance and improvement.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Individuals who are engaged in direct care or have administrative responsibility for direct care services.

REFERENCES:

Innovative Program 12 Friday, October 6 8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.
ENHANCING RECOVERY-ORIENTED CARE BY PROMOTING CAREER DEVELOPMENT
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should possess information about the implementation of an innovative approach to integrating supported employment into an existing system of care, as well as an appreciation of the planning and challenges involved in this process.
SUMMARY:
It is increasingly well accepted that supported employment for individuals in recovery from mental illness and substance use disorders has tremendous benefits. As Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) points out in its Toolkit on Supported Employment (SAMHSA, 2003), 70% of adults with severe mental illness want to work, and many consumers who are employed experience symptom improvement. The Connecticut Mental Health Center, an urban community mental health center that serves over 5,000 individuals per year, is actively engaged in establishing a flexible, comprehensive array of career development services for those in recovery. This is a cooperative endeavor involving people in recovery, clinical providers, employment providers, administrative leaders and other key stakeholders. A center-wide initiative focuses on action steps including enhancing relationships between clinical and employment providers, improving the flow of information sharing and communication, and developing and utilizing a variety of career development resources, in addition to those already in place. This strategic plan includes innovative methods for collecting data about employment among consumers. This presentation will focus on the challenges and benefits of integrating employment services into the ongoing care provided by this community mental health center and explore the ways in which increased coordination and a focus on consumer choice enhance the services offered.

REFERENCES:

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to appreciate the need to address both mental illness and sexual offending behavior in patients with both problems, each of which complicates the assessment and treatment of the other; and gain awareness of how to adapt assessment and treatment approaches for the mentally ill sexual offender.

SUMMARY:
The treatment of sexual offenders has been getting increasing attention in clinical, political and legal arenas. While the civil commitment of sexual offenders remains controversial and is only possible in a minority of states, many states have noted the increasing forensic involvement of their mental health population, a significant portion of whom are individuals with traditional mental illnesses and sexual offense histories. The presence of mental illness complicates the presentation, assessment and treatment of sexual offending behavior. In this workshop, we will present a framework for a clinical approach to the mentally ill sexual offender. The focus will be on how these individuals come to our attention, and how traditional approaches to the treatment of mental illness and sexual offender interventions must be adapted to meet the needs of these individuals, while providing greater security for the community after discharge. We will briefly present a dimensional approach to evaluation and categorization, adapting assessment tools to this population, integration of psychological testing, specialized group treatment approaches and psychopharmacologic considerations. Time will be allotted for interactive case presentations with cases brought by panelists and offered by attendees to illustrate the concepts presented.

REFERENCES:
CORRECTIONAL PSYCHIATRY REDUCES VIOLENCE IN AND OUT OF PRISONS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to describe the treatment programs for men and women in New York State prisons that have led to marked decreases in violence both within the prisons and on release, including decreased rates of rearrest.

SUMMARY:

Correctional psychiatry involves treatment in prisons, with minimal time spent in prediction and court. The treatment provided can last months or years and uses all of the modalities available to a multidisciplinary treatment team. The authors head programs in male and female prisons that have been designed for patients with severe and persistent mental illness and/or severe behavioral problems (especially violence). Patients discharged from the CORP program at Sing Sing are rearrested only half as much as expected. Progressing through the Behavior Health Units at Great Meadow and Sullivan or the Treatment Behavioral Unit at Bedford results in once violent inmates learning anger management, social and other skills, and reductions in violence. These programs combine skills training and behavioral control with generating insight and alliances with the person against his/her illness. With discharge planning, especially housing and daily activities, treatment benefits can be carried into the community. However, considerable emphasis must be placed on anticipating reentry problems. The programs are run jointly with the Department of Corrections and have been changed as each component has been evaluated. Cost analyses show that these programs return better than the amount invested in them.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):

Psychiatrists and mental health professionals.

REFERENCES:


REENTRY FOR PRISONERS: A COORDINATED COMMUNITY RESPONSE

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to understand how to enhance the motivation and engagement of men involved in reentry planning; establish clear collaborative relationships between the criminal justice system, treatment providers, and community supports; establish continuity of care from the prisons into the community; and provide pre- and post-release supports to individuals, thus resulting in greater successful community transitions.

SUMMARY:

The issue of reentry for individuals coming from jails and or prisons is one that continues to be met with either trepidation or concern. These responses underscore the difficulty faced not only by the individuals who are returning to the community, but those charged with protecting the community from them post-release, and the community to which they will eventually return. This presentation will underscore the development of a program to assist men transitioning from prison successfully return their community through a planned community coordinated response. Within this context, this model

Ideal reentry for individuals moving from prison to the community has been described as having a “seamless set of systems that span the boundaries of prison and community” and “are as close to the community as possible”. Reentry programs are most effective when intensive pre-release services are started in the prison system and are bridged to the community. The promise of the program is to decrease recidivism by facilitating, supporting the release of individuals to their communities, and building partnerships with interested justice, social service and community representatives.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Mental health professionals, consumers, and family members.

REFERENCES:

INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS: SESSION 6
INNOVATIVE TREATMENTS WITH CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS

Innovative Program 16 Friday, October 6 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

A REPLICABLE SCHOOL-BASED PROGRAM FOR HIGH-RISK ADOLESCENTS IN TRANSITION

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to build a system that strengthens coordination among high-risk students, families, teachers, and service providers; understand how to use a collaborative model for program development and operation; and learn how a targeted, school-based, family-centered approach to vulnerable teens can, at modest cost, significantly improve outcomes.

SUMMARY:
This session will describe an innovative, replicable school-based, family-focused program for adolescents returning to school after psychiatric hospitalization or other mental health, medical, or substance abuse crisis. These teens face a high risk of relapse and disruption of their education and socio-emotional development. The program, the Brookline High-Risk Youth Task Force, was developed at an urban high school and has served over 100 students since 2003. It provides brief, intensive care coordination, case management, academic assistance, and social support. It is staffed by two school-based social workers and a classroom aide working in a dedicated classroom. This session will describe the program’s development and operation and present results of the first two years of service.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Mental health professionals who work in or provide consultation to middle and high schools confronted with the challenge of helping students with serious substance abuse, mental health, or medical illness, reintegrate into their school and community.

REFERENCES:
2. White, HS, Langman, N, Henderson S, Donnellan, S; An Innovative and Replicable School-Based Program for High-Risk Adolescents in Transition from Hospital to Community; Frontline Reports; Psychiatric Services; In Press.

Innovative Program 17 Friday, October 6 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

DIALECTICAL BEHAVIOR THERAPY FOR ADOLESCENT GIRLS IN A COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SETTING

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should have a greater understanding of the structure, content, and challenges of an outpatient adolescent Dialectical Behavior Treatment program.

SUMMARY:
Youth and Family Services is an outpatient mental health facility serving low-income, severely emotionally disturbed youth. Significant numbers of female adolescent clients display symptoms similar to those of adults with borderline personality disorder: mood and affective instability, interpersonal volatility, and suicidal/parasuicidal behaviors resulting in disproportionately high rates of emergency room visits and psychiatric hospitalizations. In order to address the unique needs of this population and reduce hospital visits, we have developed an innovative program called “Symmetry”, which is an adaptation of Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT), pioneered by Marsha Linehan and Behavioral Tech LLC. Research shows that DBT is effective in treating adults with borderline personality disorder; however, there is little research on DBT’s efficacy with adolescent outpatients. “Symmetry” participants attend a weekly skills group with their parent/guardian. Each group is facilitated by two DBT-trained therapists and consists of 45 minutes of skill teaching, followed by 45 minutes of skill sharing and practice. Adolescents also attend weekly individual DBT therapy. Preliminary data suggests that “Symmetry” is effective in reducing hospitalization rates and in teaching skills that are key to symptom reduction.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
The target audience for this presentation is providers of child/adolescent mental health services: social workers, psychologists, nurses, direct-care workers and psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:
TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Those interested in program development serving traumatized children and their social environments.

REFERENCES:
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2. Trauma Systems Therapy: Treating Child Traumatic Stress from Neurons to Neighborhoods, Saxe G. MD et. al., Guilford Press.

INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS: SESSION 7

INNOVATIVE TREATMENTS OF COMORBID ILLNESS

Innovative Program 19 Friday, October 6 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

A MODEL FOR TREATING COMBINED MAJOR MENTAL ILLNESS AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to understand options for treating the dually diagnosed; apply these options in clinical facilities; and view such treatment in relation to systems change.

SUMMARY:
Patients with combined general psychiatric and addictive disorders are a major public health problem in the U.S., and are increasingly prevalent in psychiatric facilities. In this presentation, a model treatment system for such patients will be described, one that has been successfully established at Bellevue Medical Center in New York City, in affiliation with the New York University School of Medicine. It is composed of four complementary units: an inpatient ward, a halfway house, a day program, and a consultation service. Treatment is based on integration of peer leadership, conventional psychiatric modalities, contingency management, and 12 step meetings. The program provides multiple levels of care to address the needs of respective patients, with referral, as appropriate, between units as patients progress in treatment. The patient population is highly economically and socially compromised, suffering from major mental illness and long-term substance dependence, and most patients are members of minority ethnic groups. The units also serve as training sites in addiction for medical students, residents, and addiction fellows. Studies on patient characteristics and attitudes, and clinical outcome will be reviewed, including comparison to conventional care.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Mental health professionals working in institutional settings.

REFERENCES:

Innovative Program 20 Friday, October 6 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE CONSULTATION AND REFERRAL ON PSYCHIATRIC SERVICES

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should better understand how a Substance Use Disorder (SUD) consultation can be effectively done in psychiatric settings; and apply a consultation approach to a co-morbid psychiatric and SUD patient in their respective psychiatric facility.

SUMMARY:
Patients’ substance use disorders (SUD’s) are increasingly recognized as a major problem in achieving proper quality of care on psychiatric services. As many as 50% of psychiatric patients suffer from substance use disor-
ders, and this clinical problem is often the cause of the presenting illness. This session will address three aspects of developing needed consultation and referral for these patients on psychiatric services. The first deals with drawing on consultation techniques developed in general psychiatry, but tailored to the specific problems presented by co-morbid SUD’s. The second is a description of a program developed at Bellevue Hospital, and carried out by a team consisting of a psychiatrist director and five non-physician staff. The specific role of each of the disciplines involved, and data on consultations and their outcome will be presented. The third deals with how the hospital as a whole has been addressed to improve care. Literature in this area will be reviewed. Participants will discuss problems that arise in their respective clinical settings, and how they can be addressed.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Clinicians dealing with consultation services.

REFERENCES:

Innovative Program 21 Friday, October 6 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
TRAUMA AMONG HOMELESS PERSONS WITH CO-OCCURRING DISORDERS: LESSONS LEARNED

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should obtain a greater understanding of the prevalence of trauma among homeless individuals who suffer from the co-occurring disorders of mental illness and substance use; and gain a greater appreciation for the trauma-based clinical interventions which were implemented in a program designed to provide integrated services to this chronically underserved population.

SUMMARY:
An experience of trauma (i.e., physical or sexual abuse) can be either a cause or consequence of homelessness among individuals with comorbid disorders of substance use and serious mental illness. Although there are a number of programs described in the current literature designed to meet the needs of homeless people with co-occurring disorders, there is a dearth of information which specifically addresses the need for integrating trauma services into the formal treatment of this highly vulnerable population. This presentation will describe a particular program based in Jacksonville, Florida, which has been designed to provide integrated treatment to homeless adults who suffer from co-occurring disorders. The Seeking Treatment and Recovery (STAR) Program was initiated in 2002 upon receiving federal funding for a three-year period. During this time it became abundantly evident that the high prevalence of trauma among those being served called for significant modifications in the program’s clinical design. Hence, this presentation will describe the STAR Program and provide an overview of the trauma-based clinical interventions which were implemented to better meet the needs of homeless persons with co-occurring disorders.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Psychiatrists, mental health therapists, social workers, and program administrators.

REFERENCES:

INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS: SESSION 8
MULTIDISCIPLINARY TRAINING

Innovative Program 22 Saturday, October 7 8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.
INTERDISCIPLINARY TRAINING IN MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should possess an understanding of the benefits and challenges of integrated interdisciplinary learning for mental health care trainees; and describe what the literature suggests about attitude change among trainees as a result of such training.

SUMMARY:
The psychiatric recovery model has led mental health care practitioners to rely on the strength of interdisciplinary teams to offer the best services to consumers. However, learning to become a member of such a team often happens by default; one accepts a position in which such collaboration is expected, then learns in vivo. In order to make explicit the skills required to function well as a member of an interdisciplinary mental health team, a weekly seminar was designed for students from nursing, psychiatry, social work, and psychology at the Connecticut Mental Health Center, which provides community-based, integrated behavioral health services to more than 5,000 patients per year. These trainees from the Department of Psychiatry of Yale University School of Medicine participate in discussions of the interdisciplinary approach to treatment of serious and persistent mental illness (SPMI), the recovery model, and other topics including community integration and the intersection of physical and mental health. Pre- and post-seminar survey data are being collected to learn more about student attitudes toward treating SPMI, perceived challenges and benefits of working on interdisciplinary teams, and perceptions of the roles of different team members. Survey results will be presented, as will a discussion of the predicted changes in attitude regarding roles and comfort in working with the SPMI population.

REFERENCES:

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Innovative Program 23  
Saturday, October 7  
8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM TRAINING: CORE ELEMENTS, COORDINATION, CONTROVERSY

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to name models of law enforcement response to people in mental health crisis; recognize the advantages of the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training model and describe dissemination and implementation of this model; and identify the core elements of the CIT model.

SUMMARY:
Law enforcement officers are often the first responders to people experiencing a mental illness crisis. Models for improving the effectiveness of this response have been developed. One model Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training, or the Memphis Model, has been described, and its adoption encouraged for approximately 20 years. Recently, it has emerged as a dominant model. Barriers to dissemination and implementation persist.

Efforts in Ohio to promote adoption of CIT will be described. These include the early work of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Center of Excellence as a principal training site, and a recent collaboration of the CIT coordinators throughout the state to develop a CIT Core Elements expert consensus document. The current status of CIT across Ohio will be reviewed. The CIT Core Elements document will be described. These elements widely agreed to be essential to the training and those elements which were the most controversial will be discussed.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Mental health professionals who work in emergency settings; law enforcement and mental health administrators; and individuals with mental illness and their family members interested in improved community response to mental health emergencies.

REFERENCES:


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**INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS**

**INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS: SESSION 9**

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**CHALLENGING POPULATIONS**

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Innovative Program 24 Saturday, October 7 8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

**THE WEAKEST LINK: A NOVEL APPROACH TO TEACHING EVIDENCE-BASED MEDICINE AND PSYCHOSOMATIC MEDICINE**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**

At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant will be introduced to an interactive game to stimulate Evidence-Based Medicine (EBM) learning among resident psychiatrists, which introduces a novel approach to encourage mentorship between faculty and residents.

**SUMMARY:**

This is a fun and innovative method of teaching evidence-based medicine principles to resident psychiatrists. In October 2005, a chief resident at Duke University developed an e-mail forum posing interesting questions to residents. At the University of Michigan, we have expanded this concept into an interactive game for our psychiatry residents. This game encourages faculty to generate questions from their clinical practice where the evidence is controversial. Residents are then challenged to answer these questions and rewarded with prizes designed to encourage mentorship and additional research. Our presentation will explain how to set up this game, present sample questions and answers from previous rounds, and suggest ways that the audience can adapt this game to their training programs.

**TARGET AUDIENCE(S):**

Residents and faculty in medical education.

**REFERENCES:**


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Innovative Program 25 Saturday, October 7 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

**ASSERTIVE OUTREACH TO HOMELESS PERSONS WITH SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS: DOES IT MATTER?**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**

At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to understand the prevalence of physical and verbal attacks on homeless persons; define the relationship between stigma and “blaming the victim”; and recognize that non-traditional approaches to serving homeless persons with substance use disorders are effective.

**SUMMARY:**

Over the last several years, harassment and violent assaults on homeless persons have been on the rise. Between 1999 through 2001, there were 110 murders of homeless people by people who were not homeless. In addition, police harassment and community regulations, such as anti-vagrancy and anti-panhandling statutes, have further restricted the independence of homeless persons.

Homeless persons are disenfranchised individuals who are “stigma symbols,” in that they have characteristics that set them apart from others. The mainstream public fears contact with stigmatized individuals and loathes them, with responses that are “visceral.” Public intolerance and resentment toward homeless persons is likely fueled by the high prevalence of untreated substance abuse among homeless persons, and the staggering economic and social costs of untreated substance abuse.

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In this session, we describe our frustrating experiences in soliciting a town response to regular attacks on homeless persons with substance use disorders. We also explore nontraditional programs that are effective in engaging homeless persons with substance use disorders into treatment and housing. Finally, we suggest that the limited efforts devoted to engaging homeless substance abusers into treatment results from the view that substance abuse is a problem of “willful misconduct,” rather than a disorder.

**TARGET AUDIENCE(S):**
Mental health professionals, consumers, and family members.

**REFERENCES:**

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**THE BOSTON MEDICAL CENTER’S ADVANCED CLINICAL CAPACITY FOR ENGAGEMENT, SAFETY, AND SERVICES PROJECT: THE DUDLEY INN**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to increase their understanding of consumers with chronic homelessness and dual diagnoses; and explore the use of innovative models focused on housing in psychiatric treatment or consumers who are chronically homeless, substance abusing, and have a severe mental illness.

**SUMMARY:**
The Boston Medical Center Access (Advanced Clinical Capacity For Engagement, Safety and Services) Project is a SAMHSA funded eight-bed enhanced Safe Haven (The Dudley Inn) for women and men with major mental illness, substance abuse and who are chronically homeless. The Safe Haven Model is a HUD BEST Practice model that is designed to reach the most difficult population of homeless individuals. In 2002, the Boston Medical Center (BMC), Division of Psychiatry, was the first such unit to include Safe Haven services in their continuum of care. Since that time the program has served 16 men and women. We will describe: 1) the core operating philosophy of housing; 2) the expanded clinical services which were necessary to develop; 3) the inter-agency partnership of state, local, and community-based organizations, including consumer run organizations; 4) the unique evaluation design that includes qualitative and quantitative elements, as well as consumer participation; and 5) lessons learned as we implemented and operate this unique and successful program.

**TARGET AUDIENCE(S):**
Individuals and agencies working with homeless populations with major mental illness or substance abuse.

**REFERENCES:**

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**EFFECTS OF HIV INTERVENTION ON MENTALLY ILL SUBSTANCE USING CRIMINAL JUSTICE CLIENTS**


**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to recognize that community-based treatment programs, such as the Treatment Alternatives for Safer Communities (TASC), reduces criminal recidivism through increased access to and retention in community-based treatment programs.

**SUMMARY:**
Approximately 60–80% of those arrested are drug involved. Seven to 15% have a serious mental illness, almost three-quarters of whom have a substance use disorder. The majority are at risk for HIV, Hepatitis C, and other STDs; about 10% of substance using and 20%
of mentally ill substance using detainees have HIV/AIDS. Criminal justice diversion posits reducing criminal justice recidivism through increased access to and retention in community-based treatment. Treatment Alternatives for Safer Communities (TASC), a criminal justice case management services linkage and monitoring model implemented in New York City for adults with substance use and/or mental health problems, was adapted to provide health interventions targeted to prevent contraction and transmission of HIV/AIDS. This presentation describes this intervention’s integration with 600 participants and outcomes based on follow-up interviews, collateral services and criminal justice data. Preliminary findings of this three-site NIDA funded longitudinal comparison study suggest reduction in drug and sexual risk behavior, positive attitude change toward safe sex practices, increased HIV knowledge and increased receipt of HIV services. Relevant to researchers, practitioners and program administrators, implications of initial findings indicate public health in addition to public safety benefits to targeting offenders’ health behaviors along with mental health and substance use problems.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Researchers, practitioners and program administrators interested in the intersection of mental illness, substance use and HIV within a criminal justice community supervision population.

REFERENCES:

INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS: SESSION 10

ASSESSMENT TOOLS

Innovative Program 28 Saturday, October 7 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

ASSESSING SYMPTOM SEVERITY WITH THE POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE SYNDROME SCALE (PANSS)

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to identify positive, negative, and general psychopathological symptoms in schizophrenia; utilize the structured clinical interview for the Positive and Negative Syndrome Scale (SCI-PANSS) in clinical or research settings; and use the PANSS in rating symptoms.

SUMMARY:
This session will introduce participants to the Positive and Negative Syndrome Scale (PANSS). The PANSS is a 30-item scale which provides a methodology for reliably assessing the presence and severity of positive, negative, and general psychopathological symptoms in psychotic disorders. There are also supplemental items which can be utilized in assessing a patient’s dangerousness and for other purposes as well. In order to increase the reliability of obtained data and ratings, the “PANSS Assessment Procedure” provides a structured clinical interview (SCI-PANSS) and an informant questionnaire (IQ-PANSS) to acquire informant information for those 14 PANSS items which require such outside data for rating purposes.

The PANSS has become the most frequently utilized rating scale for psychotic disorders in clinical psychopharmacological trials throughout the world. It is also used in clinical settings for treatment planning purposes and to objectively gauge treatment response and change over time. In this session, participants will learn how to conduct a SCI-PANSS interview, how to use the IQ-PANSS, and how to utilize rating criteria contained in the PANSS manual in order to objectively rate patient video interview vignettes. Participants should have experience working with psychotic patients.

REFERENCES:
INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS

Street, Nashua, NH 03061; Jennifer Torosian, Program Manager, St. Josephs Hospital, 172 Kinsley Street, Nashua, NH 03061

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to discuss the impact of spiritual functioning on psychiatric outcomes; describe approaches towards the quantitative assessment of domains of spiritual functioning; and describe the actions required to integrate chaplains into a multidisciplinary team in order to address identified spiritual care needs.

SUMMARY:

Numerous studies have shown spirituality to promote both health and healing. The goal of this initiative was to more effectively identify and address patient and family spiritual care needs in order to improve clinical outcomes.

Chaplains were integrated into our multidisciplinary teams. Treatment plans were modified to include a spiritual assessment and intervention component. The admission nursing assessment was modified to include four screening questions adapted from the American College of Physicians Spiritual Assessment to assess appropriateness for spiritual care. Appropriate patients completed six domains of the Fetzer spiritual assessment. The domains measured are: Daily Spiritual Experiences, Meaning, Forgiveness, Private Religious Practices, Religious/Spiritual Coping and Religious Support. Assessment results are entered into a database and a graphical report generated for the patient’s record. A spiritual care consult is then requested, and the Chaplain uses the Spiritual Profile report to guide his/her interventions.

This program has facilitated addressing specific areas of relative spiritual weakness that impact on illness and coping. This is the first program we know of to integrate the use of a psychometrically sound spiritual assessment methodology into a multidisciplinary inpatient treatment program to create a “biopsychosocialspiritual” approach to psychiatric treatment.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):

All clinicians.

REFERENCES:

nology firm, trainer, and the managed behavioral care organization.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
This presentation is targeted to administrators, clinical directors and program managers.

REFERENCES:

INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS: SESSION 11
INNOVATIVE TREATMENTS

Innovative Program 31 Saturday, October 7 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

TF-CBTWeb: A Web-Based Approach to Learning Cognitive Behavioral Therapy for Traumatized Children

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to describe five innovative features of TF-CBTWeb; and identify how this program assists community practitioners in learning and implementing Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT) for traumatized children.

SUMMARY:
Many children and adolescents are exposed to traumatic experiences in our communities, including interpersonal traumas such as child abuse, domestic and community violence; vehicular and other types of accidents; natural disasters and acts of war or terrorism. Although most children are resilient in the face of trauma exposure, some develop long-lasting psychological difficulties including symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), depression, anxiety, behavioral dysregulation and/or shame. Fortunately, effective treatments are being developed to address these difficulties. Of all of the current treatments which have been tested, Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT) has the strongest evidence of efficacy for resolving the above symptoms in traumatized children and adolescents.

In October 2005, TF-CBTWeb was introduced to provide Web-based TF-CBT training to community therapists. TF-CBTWeb includes the following innovative features: a) each of the ten TF-CBT components teaches specific procedures through the use of streaming video examples; b) each component includes printable scripts that can be used in treatment sessions; c) each component includes suggestions for homework and handouts; d) each component includes discussions regarding cultural considerations when using the technique; and e) each component describes common clinical challenges therapists might encounter.

Preliminary data from the first 100 TF-CBTWeb completers indicate significant pre-to post-course gains in knowledge about all of the TF-CBT components.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, and mental health professionals.

REFERENCES:

Innovative Program 32 Saturday, October 7 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

USING FILM CLIPS IN AN INTENSIVE OUTPATIENT TREATMENT PROGRAM

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should understand intensive outpatient treatment programs and use film clips to process the group discussion theme which is designated for each session.
SUMMARY:
St. Vincent Hospital, Behavioral Health Department, Intensive Outpatient Treatment Program, started open-ended groups operational since August 2005, three half-days-a-week. Group movie therapy sessions were coordinated twice a week. The themes of the group sessions include, but are not limited to, Brain Works, Ego Strength, Problem Solving, Stress Management, Communication Skills, and Humor Therapy. Once the patient population is expanded, closed-end groups consisting of six to eight participants for four to six sessions, addressing the themes such as PTSD, OCD, adult ADHD, and others are to be conducted. Patient forms were designed for subjective participant input and therapist forms reflective of objective evaluations are being collected to form a database. An educational grant for research within the line of validity and reliability studies will be sought early next year. Evidence-based practice and information about the program and several film clips are to be shared. Complementary to the meeting theme, ‘‘Trauma and Violence in Our Communities,’’ film clips are chosen among the scenes related to the subject and their educational and therapeutic values will be discussed.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, academicians, instructors, and teachers.

REFERENCES:

MEDICATION GROUPS: A LOST TRADITION OR NEW SOLUTION?
American Association of Community Psychiatrists
Benjamin Crocker, M.D., Medical Director, Maine Medical Center, 443 Congress Street, SFU Floor, Portland, ME 04101; Leslie H. Gise, M.D., Clinical Professor of Psychiatry, John A. Burns School of Medicine, University of Hawaii, 1035 Na‘ālæ Road, Kula, HI 96790

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to appreciate the advantages of psychiatrist-led group psychotherapy and prescribing for patients with persistent psychiatric symptoms.
EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to identify benefits of having psychiatry residents and other trainees involved in Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) teams and apply several approaches to working with trainees in this setting.

SUMMARY:
There is literature on Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) and also on psychiatry residents and trainees in community psychiatry settings. However, there is little which addresses ACT as a training setting for psychiatry residents and other trainees.

The University of Maryland (UMD) has a long tradition of mental health training in the public sector; since the UMD ACT team began in 1990, residents and trainees have worked in the program. The team, started as a research demonstration project evaluating ACT services with homeless patients, and currently serves both homeless and domiciled individuals in an urban setting. This session describes our experiences with trainees including 24 psychiatry residents, 1 medicine resident, 3 psychology interns, and 50 medical, 10 nursing, 8 social work and 12 occupational therapy students. Trainees have had responsibilities appropriate to their disciplines including medication management (residents), patient evaluation and patient care, co-leading groups, crisis and emergency intervention, cross coverage and home visits; all trainees received weekly supervision. Many trainees have gone on to work in the public sector.

After briefly reviewing literature on training in community mental health and describing ACT services, the panel will describe our experience in working with trainees on an ACT team, perspectives of the team, patients and trainees. Participants will then explore the benefits and challenges of ACT as a training experience.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Psychiatry residents, medical students, trainees, psychiatrists, social workers, nurses and other mental health professionals working in community settings.

REFERENCES:
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INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS: SESSION 13
INNOVATIVE APPROACHES TO SUPPORTED HOUSING

PARK STREET INN: COMMUNITY RE-INTEGRATION FOR LONG-TERM STATE HOSPITAL PATIENTS

INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS:

Innovative Program 36 Sunday, October 8 8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.
RESIDENTS’ PERCEPTIONS OF RECOVERY AND MENTAL HEALTH TRANSFORMATION

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to orient residents and other mental health providers toward principles of the Recovery Movement and discuss changes effected in a traditional outpatient setting as a result; and provide a platform for discussion of residents’ evaluations of how the Recovery Model could impact their practice and training, as well as the perceived implications of such a paradigm shift.

SUMMARY:
Recovery is emerging as a guiding influence in mental health service delivery and transformation. As a consequence, the expectations and curricular needs of trainees (as future stakeholders in a transformed, recovery-oriented system) are now of considerable importance. To this end, resident-focus groups were held at the Medical College of Georgia to obtain perceptions of the Recovery Model. Certified Peer Specialists (CPS) attended and topics covered were the Recovery Model, the CPS training curriculum, and developing a Wellness Recovery Action Plan (WRAP) with consumers. Advantages and disadvantages of the Recovery Model were discussed, with residents generally expressing cautious optimism regarding implementation of these principles, yet concern regarding the potential for diminishing confidence and support for traditional professional services. All residents indicated an interest in obtaining more information about the Recovery Model, including how to incorporate WRAPS and the role of CPS in Recovery. Approximately 50% of residents selected a recovery-oriented workshop as the best method for further education about these concepts, with less support for other options of didactic handouts and expert lecture.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Medical students/residents, mental health professionals, and consumers.

REFERENCES:
SUMMARY:

Supported housing, both permanent and transitional models, has increasingly become the preferred housing approach for persons living with serious mental illnesses and over the last two decades has enabled thousands of individuals to be discharged from long-stay state psychiatric hospitals into the community (Kidd, Styron, Carlson & Hoge, 2004; Rog, 2004). There remains, however, a cohort of long-term patients with particularly complex needs for whom more standard forms of supported housing may not work, thereby limiting their opportunity to return to the community. The Park Street Inn (PSI) is a 15-bed residential living center in New Haven, Connecticut that opened its doors in 2005 with the goal of meeting the needs of this cohort of individuals.

A multidisciplinary collaboration between several organizational entities, including the State of Connecticut and the Yale University School of Medicine, Department of Psychiatry, the PSI offers a comprehensive, interdisciplinary, person-centered approach to each individual’s recovery process and integrates clinical, medical, and recovery services, residential case management, and educational and vocational training with peer and natural supports. The program is designed to meet the needs of persons who have not previously been able to access the appropriate combination of resources in the community and require a high level of support to assist them in developing fundamental skills that will allow them to return to their community of origin or community of choice.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):

Individuals who are engaged in providing or interested in learning more about community-based services for people with severe mental illnesses.

REFERENCES:


Innovative Program 38 Sunday, October 8
10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

CREATING A FAMILY-LIKE SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT IN SUPPORTIVE HOUSING PROGRAMS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this innovative program, the participant should be able to define the psycho-educational model and treatment components; discover how a family-like social environment improves treatment outcomes and quality of life for adults with schizophrenia; establish this model in supportive housing programs in communities; and recognize the feasibility and effectiveness of this treatment.

SUMMARY:

Adults with schizophrenia who cannot live alone or with family may live in supportive housing programs (SHP). These housing arrangements present challenges that directly impact treatment outcomes and quality of life for residents. In some programs, residents may experience insufficient stimulation with custodial care and low expectations. Residents in other programs may be affected by too much stimulation with too many demands. In either situation there is a risk of unfavorable relationships between staff and residents. Consequently, interactions and communication become confrontational, controlling and punitive. The problematic behaviors that families encounter are prevalent among SHP staff. A delicate balance exists between placing too many demands on residents’ verses too few. In 2003, Washtenaw County implemented a model that creates a Family-Like Social Environment in SHP that trains staff in the principles and practices of psychoeducation. This psychoeducational model, originally developed for adults with schizophrenia and their families, is a suitable approach for SHP. The treatment model, developed by Dr. William McFarlane and his staff, utilizes psychoeducational principles with elements of a behavioral approach, primarily focused on problem solving and communication skills. This model provides a framework for creating an optimal social environment for recovery and rehabilitation.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):

Individuals either working in or have an interest in learning more about community mental health agencies.

REFERENCES:

Lecture 1
Thursday, October 5
8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

THE PUBLIC HEALTH CHALLENGE FOR PSYCHIATRY

Neal L. Cohen, M.D., Associate Clinical Professor of Psychiatry, Mt. Sinai School of Medicine; and Former Commissioner, New York City Department of Mental Health, 29 East 22nd Street, New York, NY 10010-5303

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this lecture, the participant should be able to recognize the burden of mental illness on health and productivity in the United States and worldwide; and understand the value of a public mental health model that focuses not solely on traditional areas of diagnosis, treatment, and etiology, but also on epidemiological mental health surveillance, mental health promotion, and mental illness prevention.

SUMMARY:

Increasingly, 21st century public health policy and practice is moving toward an agenda that addresses highly prevalent and insidious but non-fatal disorders (e.g. heart disease, strokes, cancer, diabetes) including the huge impact that mental illnesses have on individuals and society as a whole. Additionally, the nation has paid insufficient attention to the connections between mental and physical disorders and how that relationship affects morbidity and mortality.

Building on the groundbreaking reports of the Surgeon General in 1999, any effort to make mental illness an integral part of the nation’s public health agenda needs to focus on confronting problems like suicide, depression and anxiety, and the mental health challenges that emerge at specific stages of the life span. Dr. Cohen calls upon psychiatry to assume leadership in advancing the evidence-base that will support public mental health focus within the mainstream of public health practice.

REFERENCES:

Lecture 2
Thursday, October 5
10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

BEHAVIORAL GENETICS AND THE PREVENTION AND PUNISHMENT OF CRIME

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this lecture, the participant should be able to understand recent advances in behavioral genetics that relate to antisocial behavior, and their potential implications for adjudication of criminal behavior and preventive interventions.

SUMMARY:

Genetic contributions to behavior have been recognized increasingly in recent years. Most behaviors are likely to be influenced by interactions between genetic and environmental factors, with multiple genes each contributing only small portions of the variance. A striking example comes from findings linking low levels of the enzyme monoamine oxidase A to antisocial behaviors, but only when the person has experienced abuse as a child. In response, it has been suggested that genetic determinants that reduce appreciation of wrongfulness or ability to control behavior should excuse criminal defendants from responsibility for their crimes, or at least lead to mitigation of sentences. Moreover, the genetic findings raise the possibility of early screening to identify persons at increased risk of later criminality, with the double-edged potential for effective interventions and negative stigmatization. Pressure to reduce individual culpability and to screen preventively will increase as effective treatment and prophylactic interventions become available.

REFERENCES:

Lecture 3
Thursday, October 5
10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

THE ANTI-SCREENING MOVEMENT: DECODING THE POLICY AND POLEMICS

Laurie M. Flynn, Director, Carmel Hill Center, and Department of Psychiatry, Columbia University, 1775 Broadway, Suite 715, New York, NY 10019

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this lecture the participant should be able to: 1) Recognize the problems of untreated mental illness and youth suicide, and be able to identify a variety of ways mental health screening can be easily
implemented in a variety of settings; 2) Understand the history of the TeenScreen Program and the rationale for screening, the research that supports the TeenScreen Program and the way mental health screening works through TeenScreen’s screening process; 3) Recognize growing federal, state, and national support for mental health screening and the TeenScreen Program; 4) Demonstrate their understanding of the screening instruments that are available to our local screening sites; 5) Explore strategies through group discussion to take the necessary steps to bring the TeenScreen Programs to their communities, practices, schools, etc.; and 6) Identify the many ways mental health professionals can support TeenScreen Programs in their community and incorporate screening into their own practices.

SUMMARY:
The objective of this presentation is to review current national efforts to move the field of youth suicide prevention and early identification of mental illness from science to service, through the use of public policy efforts and strategies. Topics to be addressed are: 1) Historical perspective on suicide prevention policies and legislation; 2) Review of the current policy and political environment; 3) The national screening program, the Columbia University TeenScreen Program, to promote the public policy effort of suicide prevention; and 4) Campaign-oriented approach to moving suicide prevention and mental health screening from research to national implementation.

REFERENCES:
4. The Carmel Hill Center for Early Diagnosis and Treatment. (2003). Catch Them Before They Fall: How To Implement Mental Health Screening Programs for Youth as Recommended by the President’s New Freedom Commission on Mental Health.

Lecture 4
Thursday, October 5
1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

SERVICES AND SCIENCE: SHALL THE TWAIN EVER MEET?

Bernard S. Arons, M.D., Executive Director, and Chief Executive Officer, National Development and Research Institutes, Inc., 2827 27th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20008-4129

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this lecture, the participant should learn about examples of successes of generative interaction of science and services; identify the significant barriers to enhanced interaction of science and services; and learn about three or more immediate actions that would leap over the barriers.

SUMMARY:
Great emphasis is being placed in the behavioral health field on implementation of evidence-based practices, the importance of science in establishing the efficacy and effectiveness of interventions, and the need to stop practices that are not supported by peer reviewed research. This lecture will explore past attempts to address these topics, present programs, barriers to successful integration of science and services and specific steps to overcome those barriers. The role of public and private providers, State and Federal governmental entities, funders, professional guilds, and educational institutions will be analyzed. What is needed and why will be the focus of the discussion period following the lecture.

REFERENCES:
FUROR THERAPEUTICUS: BENJAMIN RUSH AND THE YELLOW FEVER EPIDEMIC

APA’s Benjamin Rush Award

Leon Eisenberg, M.D., Department of Psychiatry, Harvard University, 9 Clement Circle, Cambridge, MA 02138-2205

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this lecture, the participant should be able to recognize the importance of an evidence-base for clinical practice; and identify the limitations of outcome measures.

SUMMARY:
In 1793, Philadelphia was engulfed in an epidemic of yellow fever; more than one-third of the population of 50,000 fled to the surrounding countryside; doctors were among those who took flight. From illness and defection, only three physicians were left to treat more than 6,000 cases. After dispatching his wife and children to a safe place, Dr. Rush remained to fill his medical duties. Rush’s desperate remedies (bleeding and purging) may have been more fatal to patients than the disease itself. In this episode, we see that devotion to his patients and personal courage were rendered dangerous to public health by his furor therapeutics. In this extreme instance, what cautionary lessons are there for contemporary medical practice.

REFERENCES:

PREPARE, EDUCATE, EVALUATE: LESSONS FROM A COMMUNITY AGENCY’S FOCUS ON TRAUMA

Paula G. Panzer, M.D., Associate Director, Center for Trauma Innovation, Jewish Board of Family and Children’s Services, and Former Chair, APA/IPS Scientific Program Committee, 142 West End Avenue, Apt. 1-S, New York, NY 10023-6115

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this lecture, the participant should be able to describe methods for dissemination of trauma informed Evidence-Based Practices relevant to the community.

SUMMARY:
Despite the availability of evidence-based and evidence-informed practices for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder in adults and children, community agency practice does not usually reflect the methods treatment created in small research settings. Learning collaboratives that address issues of reluctance and access to emerging evidence practices among community agencies are a promising method of ensuring the adaptation and fidelity of Evidence-Based Practices (EBPs). This presentation will highlight the efforts of the Center for Trauma Program Innovation to develop a partnership for system change in conjunction with the National Child Traumatic Stress Network. Areas to be covered include: (1) leadership buy-in and system readiness; (2) clinician education in evidence-informed systems of care for complex trauma in children and teens; (3) careful service modifications to meet the specific communities’ need while with attention to treatment fidelity; and (4) program monitoring and evaluation. Lessons learned from this ongoing work will be described.

REFERENCES:
the specific functions of the agency and how it goes about performing those functions.

SUMMARY:
This lecture will describe the role of the mental hygiene component of the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene in meeting the mental health needs of New York City. Core agency functions of service planning, purchasing and quality monitoring for mental health, addictions, and mental retardation/developmental disability services throughout the five boroughs will be described. Currently, our work directly reaches over 450,000 New Yorkers.

The lecture will also describe what we call public mental health initiatives where we identify populations for intervention by either gaps in service or major opportunities for improvement, such that we can have a major impact on the mental health of this city. Examples include our work in depression screening and management in primary care and interventions we have introduced for controlling opioid addiction and problem drinking.

REFERENCES:
2. Psych Services editorial by Sederer and Kolodny.

Lecture 8  Friday, October 6
8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

BECOMING A RECOVERY-ORIENTED PSYCHIATRIST

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this lecture, the participant should be able to understand a four-stage development model of recovery analogous to Kubler-Ross’ death and dying model; understand the practice and programmatic implications of moving from a medical model to a recovery model; and understand the personnel growth and changes involved in becoming a recovery worker.

SUMMARY:
In this lecture, a four-stage development model of recovery (hope, empowerment, self-responsibility and meaningful roles) will be described. A recovery model is being pushed in many places around the country especially by consumer and rehabilitation groups. This lecture focuses on personal and practice changes psychiatrists and other clinicians can make to become a vital, integral part of recovery-oriented services.

I will be using many stories from my work as a psychiatrist at the Village, one of the foremost recovery-oriented programs in the country, to illustrate the recovery process. I will try to combine both the “inspiration” and the “perspiration” of recovery work. My focus will be on the personal aspects of the work (e.g. reducing professional distance, taking on multiple roles, being empowering, lowering boundaries, promoting risk taking), rather than the administrative aspects.

REFERENCES:

Lecture 9  Friday, October 6
10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

ANTIDEPRESSANT MEDICATION AND SUICIDALITY
Health Services Research Track

Mark Olfson, M.D., M.P.H., Clinical Professor of Psychiatry, Columbia University, 605 Second Street, Brooklyn, NY 11215

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this lecture, the participant should be able to describe the basic epidemiology of suicide and attempted suicide for children and adults; describe the clinical and epidemiological evidence that antidepressants contribute to an increase in suicide risk in vulnerable patients; and describe the epidemiological evidence that antidepressant use has contributed to an overall decline in suicide.

SUMMARY:
Suicide and suicide attempts, which commonly occur in the context of depressive disorders, present important clinical and public health challenges. Despite the availability of efficacious antidepressant medications, clinical and epidemiological research studies using a variety of methods have yielded mixed and conflicting findings concerning whether these medications help to protect or exacerbate young people and adults from engaging in suicidal behavior. A review will be presented of the basic epidemiology of suicidal behavior in adults and children including known clinical risk and protective factors. This will be followed by a summary and critical assessment of recent key research on the complex association between antidepressant treatment and risk of attempted and completed suicide. The review will highlight promises and pitfalls of various methodological
approaches to this question and offer suggestions for future research directions.

REFERENCES:

Lecture 10  Friday, October 6 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.
COLLATERAL DAMAGE IN THE WAR ON DRUGS
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this lecture, the participant should be able to understand the dilemmas that public officials face in trying to combat the war on drugs.

SUMMARY:
This lecture will address the inherent limits and contradictions of our current drug eradication and interdiction policies and show how this is a demand driven problem. The roots of this problem have more to do with issues of poverty, despair, and alienation than with the current scapegoating of “narco-terrorists”. Finally, I will illustrate how these policies play out in the political realm and show why elected officials continue to vote for policies which they privately admit will never work.

REFERENCES:

Lecture 11  Friday, October 6 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.
COMPARATIVE EFFECTIVENESS OF ANTIPSYCHOTIC DRUGS: RESULTS OF THE NIMH-CATIE STUDY
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this lecture, the participant should be able to understand the historical background related to the development and use of antipsychotics in the treatment of schizophrenia and particularly as it pertains to first generation antipsychotic drugs (FGAs) introduced in the 1950’s and second generation drugs (SGAs) introduced in the 1990’s.

SUMMARY:
Since their introduction in the 1950’s, antipsychotic drugs have become the cornerstone of the treatment of schizophrenia and related psychotic disorders. A second generation of (atypical) antipsychotic drugs (SGA) was introduced in the 1990s that is now preferentially utilized by clinicians and accounts for the vast majority of prescriptions for treating schizophrenia in the United States. The increased use of SGA drugs has resulted in a substantial increase in the amount of money spent on this class of medications in the U.S. with costs of over 10 billion in 2005. The popularity of SGA’s derives from the assumption that they are more effective and safer. However, the relative effectiveness of these new drugs to each other is not fully known, and they have not been definitively proven more effective than the first generation of antipsychotic drugs (FGAs).

To address this question the National Institute of Mental Health initiated the Clinical Antipsychotic Trials of Intervention Effectiveness (CATIE) program to evaluate the effectiveness of antipsychotic drugs in typical settings and populations so that the study results will be maximally useful in routine clinical situations. The CATIE schizophrenia trial blends features of efficacy studies and large, simple trials to create a pragmatic trial that will provide extensive information about antipsychotic drug effectiveness over at least 18 months. The protocol allows for subjects who receive a study drug that is not effective to receive subsequent treatments within the context of the study. Medication dosages are adjusted within a defined range according to clinical judgment. The primary outcome was all-cause treatment discontinuation because it represented an important clinical endpoint that reflects both clinician and patient judgments about efficacy and tolerability. Secondary outcomes included symptoms, side effects, neurocognitive functioning, and cost effectiveness. Approximately 50 clinical sites across the United States enrolled a total of 1,500 persons with schizophrenia. Phase I was a double-blinded, randomized clinical trial comparing treatment with the second generation antipsychotics olanzapine, quetiapine, risperidone, and ziprasidone to perphenazine, a midpotency first generation antipsychotic. If the
Initially assigned medication was not effective, subjects could choose one of the following phase II trials: (1) randomization to open-label clozapine or a double-blinded second generation drug that was available but not assigned in phase I; or (2) double-blinded randomization to ziprasidone or another second generation drug that was available but not assigned in phase I. If the phase 2 study drug was discontinued, subjects could enter phase III, in which clinicians help subjects select an open-label treatment based on individuals’ experiences in phases I and II. The initial efficacy and safety results of phases I and II of the trial have been reported (Lieberman et. al. 2005, Stroup et. al. 2006, McEvoy et. al. 2006).

The results of the CATIE study provide the most comprehensive set of data on the pharmacologic treatment of schizophrenia ever assembled. These will guide all doctors in their selection of treatments and clinical management of individual patients. This is because no study has ever examined all marketed drugs in a controlled fashion in this large a number of patients for such a long time period using such extensive measures of efficacy and safety, much less with cost data.

The findings of the CATIE study indicate that these medications work (which we knew from prior research), but also that they have substantial limitations. This is indicated by the fact that 74% of patients elected with their doctors to seek something better, rather than stay on their assigned medication. What this means is that when it comes to the treatment of patients with chronic schizophrenia “the glass is only half full”. Although the treatments work, patients and their doctors are looking for more, in the way of symptom relief and to enable recovery, and they want this at a lower cost than the side effects that current treatments impose.

The study revealed that all the drugs worked comparably well. Olanzapine, was somewhat better on measures of therapeutic efficacy but it also had the most side effects of weight gain and changes in glucose and lipid metabolism. The biggest surprise of the study was that the older medication, perphenazine, was comparably effective to at least three of the new medications and not much worse than the new drug which did the best, olanzapine. Contrary to expectations, the older medication also did not cause substantially more neurologic side effects than the new drugs. We believe that this is due to the fact that we administered a lower potency APD at moderate doses. Despite, the overall comparability of the treatments, there was variation in the therapeutic and side effects of the antipsychotic drugs which, although not clearly apparent comparing the large groups of patients, can be substantial for individual patients.

In Phase II for patients who discontinued their Phase I medication due to lack of symptom control and went into the clozapine pathway, clozapine was substantially better than all the other atypical medications. The participants taking clozapine remained on it for an average of ten months compared to an average of three months for those taking any of the three other medications. Those taking clozapine also had greater symptom reduction than those who took any of the other medications.

In Phase II for patients who discontinued their Phase I medication and went into the ziprasidone pathway, it was important to examine the results in phase II separately for those participants who had stopped their phase II medication for different reasons. For those who had stopped phase II medication due to inadequate control of psychotic symptoms, those taking olanzapine or risperidone in phase II stayed on their medication for a significantly longer duration than those taking quetiapine or ziprasidone, results that are similar to the overall results above. However, for the participants who had stopped phase I medication due to side effects, there were no significant differences among the four phase II medications. Thus, which medication works best depends in large part on why a patient was switched to it.

Doctors now have more information to guide the selection of the next antipsychotic medication to try in treating people with schizophrenia if treatment with a first antipsychotic is not successful. The results have shown that the reason why the first medication was stopped is an important consideration in choosing the next medication. Specifically, the success of symptom control and side effects experienced by the patient on the first medication may help predict which medication may be more successful next. The CATIE results show that for patients whose symptoms are not wholly responsive to other antipsychotic medications, clozapine is an effective choice for the next step.

Even with increased support for the use of clozapine, there will still be numbers of patients who need a medication change because their symptoms are not under control who will not want to try clozapine. For those patients, CATIE phase 2 results show that olanzapine and risperidone are more effective than ziprasidone and quetiapine, but side effects must be considered.

For patients who stop their first medication because of side effects, the best strategy is to avoid drugs which are most likely to cause the previously experienced side effects. Olanzapine was associated with substantial weight gain and metabolic problems, more so than the other medications. Ziprasidone was consistently associated with reduction in weight and improvement in metabolic indicators.

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Lecture 12  
Friday, October 6  
1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.  
TRAUMA AND RECOVERY: LEARNING AND DOING  
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:  
At the conclusion of this lecture, the participant should be able to recognize the importance of understanding and treating violence, trauma, and the effects of abuse in women.

SUMMARY:  
In this lecture the importance of violence, trauma, and abuse in women’s lives will be highlighted. Violence and trauma is far more prevalent than commonly understood, and there is a disconnect between the prevalence of trauma and its recognition in the health, mental health, and substance abuse provider communities. The relationship between trauma and mental health and substance abuse problems is a critical one for providers to identify and treat, and many new individual and community models for integrated trauma counseling have been developed that have been demonstrated to facilitate recovery. The essential features in trauma integrated counseling will be featured in terms of their support for the process of recovery in women’s lives. The revitalization that comes with changing the role of service providers in this new paradigm will be presented.

REFERENCES:  

Lecture 13  
Saturday, October 7  
8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.  
LESBIAN AND GAY FAMILIES  
Association of Gay and Lesbian Psychiatrists Track  
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:  
At the conclusion of this lecture, the participant should be able to understand some of the diversity of pathways for creating families; gain knowledge about how lesbians decide to become pregnant; be familiar with the impact of parenting on the dynamics of a lesbian relationship; learn about myths and stereotypes regarding gay and lesbian parents; and be aware of the evidence in the published literature that refutes these beliefs.

SUMMARY:  
Some politicians, conservative organizations, and citizens are quite vocal about their opposition to gay men and lesbians being parents. They believe that children will be harmed somehow if raised by these parents, yet the published scientific literature clearly demonstrates that what matters most to a child’s healthy development is the way that child is parented rather than the gender, number or sexual orientation of his or her parents. A growing body of literature addressing these issues has been published in recent years as a “gayby” boom has been happening in the gay and lesbian communities. In this presentation, Dr. Haller will summarize the published literature which refutes myths and stereotypes about the children of gay and lesbian parents.

REFERENCES:  
Lecture 14  
Saturday, October 7  
8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

DO WE REALLY NEED ANOTHER SUBSPECIALTY? PSYCHOSOMATIC MEDICINE: WHAT IS IT AND WHAT ABOUT THE NAME?
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this lecture, the participant should be able to define the psychiatry subspecialty of Psychosomatic Medicine in terms of clinical and research activities; and review the history of consultation psychiatry as an outgrowth of general hospital psychiatry.

SUMMARY:
Psychosomatic Medicine is the newest subspecialty of psychiatry that has been formally endorsed by the American Board of Medical Specialties and the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology. This area of psychiatry focuses upon the medically ill, those that think they are medically ill (the somatoform disorders) and medical setting with increasing use of complex technology. It has been previously labelled consultation-liaison psychiatry. The presentation will review the path to formal recognition of Psychosomatic Medicine, as well as the historical roots of both psychosomatics and consultation psychiatry which differ from each other. The lecture will conclude with predictions for the future of this field.

REFERENCES:

Lecture 15  
Saturday, October 7  
10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

THE EVOLUTION OF PSYCHOSOCIAL TREATMENT FOR SCHIZOPHRENIA
APA/APF Alexander Gralnick, M.D., Award for Research in Schizophrenia
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this lecture the participant should be able to gain an appreciation of the evolution of psychosocial treatments for schizophrenia, from early treatments based on atheoretical principles to those based on psychosocial biological findings; and understand the methods of Cognitive Enhancement Therapy and the effects of this developmental approach on neurocognitive and social-cognitive functioning in schizophrenia.

SUMMARY:
Psychosocial treatment has evolved from an atheoretical, altruistic form of caring to clinical practice principles reflect an emerging pathophysiology. Our research initiatives demonstrate this transition from Major Role Therapy (case management), Family Psychoeducation, and Personal Therapy to the development and testing of Cognitive Enhancement Therapy (CET). The latter is a performance-based attempt to improve social and neurocognition using a small group curriculum (45 sessions) and 60 hours of computer-oriented training in attention, memory, and problem-solving. Efficacy among persistently ill persons with schizophrenia has been comprehensive and enduring, with speed of processing arising as a key mediator of CET effects. Preliminary results in an ongoing study of early course patients are showing CET related improvement in brain structure and function, as well as emotional intelligence. The need to implement these efficacious psychosocial treatments in schizophrenia has now become a moral imperative.

REFERENCES:

Lecture 16  
Saturday, October 7  
1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

PROSPECTS FOR PSYCHIATRIC CARE IN THE FUTURE
Herbert Pardes, M.D., Former President, American Psychiatric Association; and President and Chief Executive Officer, New York Presbyterian/Columbia Hospital, 161
EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this lecture, the participant should be able to illuminate the implications of government support versus market focus on mental health care; review how psychopharmacological care will fare with tougher scrutiny and reservations regarding the number of people who genuinely benefit from pharmacological care; develop an understanding of what the current political perspective will mean for the care of the chronically mentally ill; and elaborate how the prevailing culture will impact the nature of mental health manpower and education of psychiatrists.

SUMMARY:
Psychiatric care is inevitably influenced by prevailing politics. Psychiatric care has been continually buffeted due to quite different attitudes regarding its significance by federal and state governments.

The United States has moved more toward a market approach to health care. Government support has been under siege. Greater consumer literacy and increased government and public scrutiny regarding psychopharmacology have caused questions regarding the utility of medications.

This is in the context of continued ratcheting down of state facilities nationally and relentless pressure from managed care on dollars for mental health care.

What will be the collective impact on psychiatric care? How can the field marshal efforts to promote optimum care? What is the resulting effect on education and manpower for psychiatric care given movement toward greater market and less government dominance?

This presentation will review these issues and recommend actions to insure the best interests of patients with psychiatric problems.

REFERENCES:
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this lecture, the participant should be able to understand the mechanism of action of currently used medications to treat psychiatric disorders; list the principles of human genetics in the development of new psychiatric drugs and predictors of treatment response; and recognize how functional brain imaging helps define pathophysiology of psychiatric disorders.

SUMMARY:
Over the past several years, remarkable advances have been made both in our understanding of the central nervous system (CNS) and in the pathophysiology of the major psychiatric disorders, resulting in major breakthroughs in our capacity to treat these devastating illnesses. Since the seminal work of Ramon Y Cajal and Golgi at the turn of the century, new techniques such as fluorescence histochemistry have evolved into immunohistochemistry and more recently in situ hybridization. These techniques have permitted, for the first time, the elucidation of chemically defined neural circuits. Such advances in the mapping of neural systems and the visualization of monoaminergic and peptidergic neurons and their receptors in tissue sections have provided the tools for the burgeoning field of neurochemical pathology of psychiatric disorders. Data provided from such studies has served as the basis for the development of novel pharmacological approaches to the treatment of affective and anxiety disorders, as well as schizophrenia. This lecture focuses on two major neural systems implicated in the pathophysiology of depression, serotonin and corticotropin-releasing factor (CRF), with an emphasis on gene-environment interactions and functional brain imaging.

REFERENCES:

Lecture 19 Saturday, October 7
3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

PSYCHIATRY AND SPIRITUALITY AT THE END OF LIFE
APA’s Oskar Pfister Award
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this lecture, the participant should be able to recognize barriers to effective collaboration between psychiatrists and clergy; and demonstrate how to translate an understanding of the patient’s unique commitments into a relationship that helps them maintain hope and meaning at the end of life.

SUMMARY:
The antagonism between religion and psychiatry is far from dead. Freud held, and some contemporary psychoanalysts still teach that religion is “a neurotic crutch”. People of strong faith still resist seeking psychiatric help, convinced that the doctor will disparage their religious beliefs and practices. At the same time, some religious leaders continue to describe psychoanalysis as an atheistic cult dedicated to wiping out religious belief. Each side can be dogmatic in devaluing the other, inhibiting constructive collaboration.

Psychiatrists are among the essential caregivers for persons at the end of life. Along with other caretakers such as clergy, they need to know how to invite patients and their loved ones into a dialogue about the role of spirituality and faith in their lives. This is true of both those who say that religion and faith are important to them, and those who call themselves agnostics or atheists. This dialogue about deeply meaningful and strongly held values may have nothing to do with organized religion.

It is crucial when patients are entering the last phase of their lives for clinicians to have a practical method of translating this understanding of each unique person into an honest, optimistic, aggressive relationship that helps them maintain hope/meaning.

REFERENCES:

Lecture 20 Sunday, October 8
8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

DISPARITIES IN MENTAL HEALTH CARE: WHAT DOES RESEARCH TELL US?
Health Services Research Track
Annelle B. Primm, M.D., M.P.H., Director, Division of Minority and National Affairs, American Psychiatric...
EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this lecture, the participant should understand the nature and breadth of ethnic and racial mental health disparities; identify key aspects of what the research agenda should be in order to elucidate and optimize mental health outcomes in ethnically and racially diverse populations; and delineate strategies for achieving increased research participation among diverse populations.

SUMMARY:
Two major reports, the Institute of Medicine Report, Unequal Treatment and the Surgeon General’s Report on Mental Health, Supplement on Culture, Race and Ethnicity introduced and firmly established the existence of health and mental health disparities among African Americans, Asian Americans, Hispanics and Native Americans. This lecture will provide an overview of the recent research literature regarding disparities in disease prevalence, access, utilization, diagnosis, treatment and outcomes in diverse populations. The overview will serve as a foundation upon which to develop a research agenda to fill in the many gaps which preclude optimal quality mental health care for diverse populations. Given the relative lack of diversity among research subjects and clinical investigators, developing an evidence base for diverse populations is a major challenge. In response, the presentation will provide examples of how to eliminate barriers and facilitate participation of members of underrepresented groups in research.

REFERENCES:

Lecture 21
Sunday, October 8
10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

PSYCHIATRIC GENETICS: A CURRENT PERSPECTIVE
APA’s Judd Marmor Award
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this lecture, the participant should be able to understand the four major research paradigms of psychiatric genetics, which includes basic genetic epidemiology, advanced genetic epidemiology, gene finding methods, and molecular genetics.

SUMMARY:
Psychiatric genetics, which is growing in size and influence within psychiatry, employs four major research paradigms: I- basic genetic epidemiology, II- advanced genetic epidemiology, III- gene-finding methods and IV- molecular genetics. Paradigms I and II study aggregate genetic risk factors inferred from patterns of resemblance in relatives. Paradigms III and IV study individual susceptibility genes localized on the human genome. This talk will begin by outlining the strengths and limitations of these various paradigms, emphasizing how they can provide complementary insights into the nature of psychiatric illness. Examples from each of the first three paradigms will be provided to illustrate the kind of results and methods these different perspectives employ. The talk will explore various aspects of genotype x environment interaction, genetic analysis of developmental trajectories and molecular genetics advances in our understanding of schizophrenia and alcoholism.

REFERENCES:
PULMONARY DISEASE

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to present an update on some of the most common pulmonary diseases in the United States, as well as briefly discuss some of the medical ethical issues relating to end-stage lung disease.

SUMMARY:
Recent developments in the diagnosis and treatment of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), lung cancer, asthma, and interstitial lung disease will be presented. Rates of COPD continue to rise, and lung cancer claims the greatest number of victims of all cancers in this country. For unclear reasons, the incidence of asthma has risen steadily in industrialized countries for years and continues to impact most severely on the poor, urban population. Interstitial lung diseases are a collection of poorly understood inflammatory and fibrosing conditions of the lung that in their most lethal form cause death within five years of diagnosis. Because all of these diseases may lead in their most severe forms to ICU care and ventilator treatment, they often raise many end-of-life issues of medical ethics.

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HIV AND AIDS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to discuss the new DHHS treatment guidelines for the use of antiretroviral agents in adults and adolescents; and gain familiarity with antiretroviral agents and their use in the treatment of subgroups of HIV-infected patients.

SUMMARY:
In the combination antiretroviral therapy era, HIV-infected persons have been living longer with decreasing rates of opportunistic infections. The current HIV guidelines for antiretroviral use reflect the successive introduction of medications with novel mechanisms, increased potency, and decreased pill burdens. With more therapeutic options available and greater awareness about potential side effects and drug interactions, the current guidelines, especially for antiretroviral naive patients, emphasize regimens that minimize side effects and optimize adherence. In addition, HIV resistance testing has become more routine in medical practice, and has helped guide providers in choosing effective treatment regimens.

This presentation will focus on the 2006 DHHS (Department of Health and Human Services) Guidelines for the Use of Antiretroviral Agents in HIV-1 Infected Adults and Adolescents. The guidelines focus on important clinical questions including when therapy should be initiated for asymptomatic HIV infection, preferred regimens for treatment naive patients, safety and toxicity issues with antiretroviral use, the role of resistance testing, goals of therapy for treatment-experienced patients, and recommendations for various subgroups of HIV-infected patients including acute HIV-infection, pregnant women, and hepatitis co-infection.

REFERENCES:

OPHTHALMOLOGY

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand latest advances, diagnosis, and management of patients with glaucoma, ocular hypertension, and glaucoma suspect; and briefly review
the important developments in the treatment of macular degeneration, cataracts, and corneal diseases.

**SUMMARY:**

Primary open-angle glaucoma (POAG) is diagnosed when a patient has elevated pressure intraocular pressure (IOP) and glaucomatous optic neuropathy (GON). However, a significant number of patients may have elevated IOP and not have GON (i.e., ocular hypertension), as well as normal IOPs and GON (i.e., NTG or Normal Tension Glaucoma). Finally, patients with consistently normal IOPs and suspicious-appearing optic nerves are diagnosed as NTG suspects.

Although elevated IOP may play a significant role in the pathogenesis of POAG and lowering of IOP is the only proven treatment, the definition of POAG is a multifactorial disease characterized by an IOP-sensitive optic neuropathy. Moreover, a thinner corneal thickness value appears to be a significant risk factor in the development of this disease.

Diagnosis of glaucoma has been facilitated by advances in diagnostic structural and functional technologies. Structural detection instruments include the HRT3, GDxVCC, and OCT3, while functional assessment technologies include the SWAP, FDT, PERG, and VEP. In the treatment arena, greater attention has focused on the beneficial effects of enhanced control of diurnal IOP fluctuation, the problems associated with medication adherence, and advancements in laser trabeculoplasty and incisional surgery.

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**MEDICAL UPDATES**

**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand basic concepts of preventive health services including evidence-based criterion for screening immunizations and counseling; controversies in preventive measures; and the efficacy and usefulness of various procedures across the patient’s lifespan.

**SUMMARY:**

The majority of deaths among Americans under age 65 are preventable, many through interventions best provided in a primary care physician’s office. Through this talk, I will critically review current scientific evidence for common preventive interventions, including screening, immunizations and counseling maneuvers, as well as other evidence-based recommendations. Some preventive and screening services, targeting certain infections and diseases, have resulted in significant reductions in mortality and morbidity. For other interventions, however, there is considerable controversy. The value of the routine annual check-up for asymptomatic persons including a full history, physical, and battery of laboratory testing has been discounted. The frequency and content of the periodic health exam should be tailored to the unique health risks of the individual patient, taking into consideration the evidence that specific preventive services are clinically effective. Routine screening tests with inadequate accuracy and applied indiscriminately produce large numbers of false-positive results. This may result in unnecessary further testing, risky interventions, high costs and anxiety. It is recommended that screening tests be performed selectively, targeting conditions most likely to influence the health and well-being of the patient being examined. Such conditions should be among the leading causes of morbidity and mortality for the patient’s age group, fit the patient’s risk profile, and be known to benefit symptomatic patients through preventive intervention. Additionally, the test must have acceptable accuracy and reliability, be safe, affordable, and acceptable to patients. Beyond testing, the greatest opportunity in prevention of the leading causes of disease and disability are those that address personal health practices such as smoking, physical inactivity, poor nutrition, alcohol and drug abuse. This counseling and patient education has value at least as good as “routine screening.”

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**PREVENTIVE HEALTH CARE**

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EMPATHY: DO PSYCHIATRISTS AND THEIR PATIENTS AGREE?

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand the relation between a psychiatrist’s self-assessment of empathy with their patient’s perception of their empathic skills.

SUMMARY:

Introduction: A psychiatrist’s self-perception of empathy may not match the patient’s perception of the psychiatrist’s empathic skills. The purpose of the present study is to assess the relationship between psychiatrists’ self-assessment of empathy and their patients’ assessment of their empathy.

Method: Ten outpatient psychiatrists - 6 residents and attending psychiatrists filled out the Jefferson Scale of Physician Empathy (range 20–140). Five patient of each psychiatrist filled out a corresponding questionnaire rating their psychiatrist’s empathic skills.

Results: We found no significant correlation between psychiatrist self perception of empathy and their patients’ perception of their empathy (r=0.4,p=0.3). Mean psychiatrist empathy scores were significantly higher than patient perceived psychiatrist empathy scores (Mean difference =15.3,df=0, p<.0001). This difference is most marked between male psychiatrists and female patients (Mean difference=22.4,df=0, p<.0001). Differences between how attending psychiatrists rate themselves and their patient ratings of them is less marked than those of residents and their patients.

Conclusions: We did not find any significant correlation between psychiatrists self-assessment of their empathy and their patients’ assessments of their empathy Psychiatrist rate themselves higher than their patients.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

All mental health practitioners.

REFERENCES:

might have a more symptomatic form of DD, with greater symptom improvement in response to pharmacotherapy, as compared to nonalcoholic dysthymics.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
All mental health care practitioners.

REFERENCES:

VIOLENCE AND MENTAL ILLNESS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to evaluate the socio-demographic and clinical risk factors associated with violence in the mentally ill patients; and identify the risk factors that will help in formulating effective treatment strategies for these patients.

SUMMARY:
Rationale and Background: Recent research established moderate but reliable association between mental disorders and violence. This does not imply that people with mental illness are more likely to commit violent acts compared to general population, however elevated risk is only evident for specific subgroups of psychiatric patients. Identifying risk factors would help in targeting this vulnerable group with assertive community treatment.

Materials and Method: Retrospective chart review was done for admissions in Forensic Psychiatry unit at Bergen Regional Medical Center between January 2003 and December 2005. Admissions related to violent behavior were reviewed. Socio-demographic and clinical data of patients were recorded. Results: Out of 123 admissions, 66% were related to violent behavior. Mean age was 36+/− 1.3, 85% were males and 77% were homeless and unemployed. Previous hospitalizations were recorded in 61% and 85% were non compliant with medications, experiencing psychotic symptoms. 40% had dual diagnosis and 26% were diagnosed with antisocial personality disorder.

Conclusion: Risk of violence was associated with young males and low socio-economic attainment. Additional risk factors included prior hospitalizations and non-compliance with medication. Substance abuse was a significant risk factor and family members are mostly targets of violence. Reduction of violence requires carefully targeted community interventions including integrated case management and substance abuse treatment.

REFERENCES:

ENHANCING QUALITY OF LIFE IN THE ELDERLY WITH SCHIZOPHRENIA

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize the differences in quality of life in the elderly with schizophrenia and the general population and the factors associated with it.

SUMMARY:
There have been few studies on quality of life (QOL) in older schizophrenic adults. Methods: The schizophrenia (S) group consisted of 198 persons aged 55+ who developed schizophrenia before age 45. A community comparison (C) group (n=113) was recruited. The QOL model consisted of 4 variable sets (demographic, objective, clinical, and subjective) comprising 19 independent variables. The dependent variable was the Quality of Life Index (QLI).

Results: The S group had a significantly lower QLI score than the C group (21.7 vs. 24.2; t=−5.36, DF = 362, p=.001). Within the S group, in bivariate analysis, 11 of 19 variables were significantly related to QLI. In regression analysis, 6 variables attained significance, viz., fewer depressive symptoms, more cognitive defi-
cits, fewer acute life stressors, fewer medication side effects, lower financial strain, and better self-rated health. The model explained 55% of the variance in QLI, with the demographic, objective, psychiatric illness, and the subjective variable sets accounting for 6%, 35%, 9%, and 5% of the variance, respectively.

Conclusions: Our findings confirmed earlier reports that older schizophrenic persons had a lower self-reported quality of life than their age matched peers. Our findings suggest that many of the factors impacting on QOL are potentially ameliorable. This is targeted at mental health professionals and those who work with the elderly.

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TARGET AUDIENCE:

Health care professionals, and mental health professionals.

REFERENCES:

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to describe the relationship between unexplained medical symptoms and adverse childhood experiences and the implications of the latter for medical care utilization.

SUMMARY:

Objectives: Patients with unexplained medical symptoms (UMS) involving multiple organ systems pose diagnostic and treatment challenges for physicians. Although these patients may be suffering from hypochondriacal, somatization, or conversion disorders, the role that adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) may assume in UMS involving multiple organ systems has not been previously investigated. Methods: Data were from the ACE Study, a retrospective cohort investigation of HMO patients receiving biopsychosocial evaluations (N= 17,337). Patients were assigned an ACE score comprised of the number of eight categories of childhood abuse and household dysfunction they reported. UMS were defined using a review of systems, with no corresponding diagnosis in the patient’s medical record. Symptoms across five systems (respiratory, gastrointestinal, central nervous system, cardiovascular, and musculoskeletal) were assessed, as were the number of physician office visits. Results: ACE scores were positively associated with the number of organ systems involved in UMS (p<.001), the total number of UMS (p<.001), and the mean number of doctor visits in the previous year (p<.001). Discussion: These results suggest assessment for ACEs may promote earlier evaluation of UMS across multiple organ systems, which may underlie increased healthcare utilization.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Psychiatrists, nonpsychiatric physicians, nurses, and psychologists.

REFERENCES:


CONSENT FORM READABILITY AND EDUCATIONAL LEVELS OF POTENTIAL STUDY SUBJECTS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to inform attendees of the poor readability of informed consent forms used in mental health research and highlight the disparity between consent form readability and the educational level of potential study participants.

SUMMARY:

Poor readability of informed consent forms is a problem in clinical research. The low educational attainments of many patients with mental illnesses might suggest a greater problem in mental health settings. We examined whether the informed consent forms used in Massachusetts Department of Mental Health (MA-DMH) research were written at a grade level higher than that achieved by potential study participants. We calculated the readability of 154 consent forms using several formulas. Readability scores were stratified by risk level of the study from which the consent form was taken. We compared these data with the maximum attained grade level of potential participants in MA-DMH approved studies. Mean readability scores for the consent forms ranged between grade level 12 and 14.5. Furthermore, mean readability scores increased with increasing study risk level. Approximately 35% of potential participants had not graduated high school, 37% had graduated high school or obtained a GED and 28% had some education beyond the 12th grade. These data demonstrate poor readability of consent forms used in MA-DMH research and highlight a mismatch between consent form readability and the educational level of potential study participants. These findings suggest that methods of reducing the complexity of forms are much needed.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Anyone conducting research with mentally ill persons or those interested in the informed consent process.

REFERENCES:

DELUSIONAL SYMPTOMS IN ALZHEIMER’S DISEASE WITH 99M TC-HMPAO SPECT IMAGING
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
1. At the conclusion of this session, the participant should recognize the symptoms of dementia and understand the brain imaging of SPECT.

SUMMARY:
Delusional symptoms are common among the Behavioral and Psychological Symptoms of Dementia (BPSD) in patients with Alzheimer’s disease. The correlations between regional cerebral blood perfusion (rCBF) and delusional symptoms were evaluated with functional SPECT imaging. This study compared 99m TC-hexamethyl propyleneamine oxime (HMPAO) SPECT images of a group of patients with Alzheimer’s disease with (n = 13) and without delusional symptoms (n = 29). The SPECT data were compared using a statistical parametric mapping technique (the Voxel-Based Morphometry, VBM). The Alzheimer’s disease group with delusional symptoms had a significant area of hypoperfusion in the both left (Z = 4.08) and right parahippocampal gyrus (Z = 3.72). Among thirteen Alzheimer’s disease patients with delusional symptoms, stilling of their possessions’ (n = 6) and ‘invasion by others’ (n = 4) were most common. This result suggests that delusions in AD are associated with the functional impairment of the parahippocampal gyri which handle memory.

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REFERENCES:

FUNCTIONING OF ADULT OFFSPRING OF DEPRESSED PARENTS: A 23-YEAR FOLLOW-UP
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
1. At the conclusion of this presentation, the participant should recognize that offspring of depressed parents are at risk for poor psychosocial functioning into adulthood, especially if the parent had a more severe course of depression, while offspring of parents who reached long-term remission are doing relatively well.

SUMMARY:
We compared adult offspring of depressed (DPOs) and control (CPOs) parents on psychosocial functioning, and examined associations between the severity and course of parental depression and functioning of offspring. We followed parents of 143 DPOs and 197 CPOs prospectively for 23 years (80% response rate). At baseline and/or follow-ups, parents and offspring completed the Health and Daily Living Form (Moos et al., 1990). Depression Symptom Severity was based on DSM-IV criteria (American Psychological Association, 1994). At the 23-year follow-up, compared to CPOs (51% female; mean age = 34), DPOs (58% female; mean age = 35) reported: (1) higher levels of depressive symptoms, (2) a greater family history of depression, (3) more physical symptoms, pain, and disability, (4) more use of antidepressant medications and mental health and non-mental health professional sources, (5) fewer friends, and more reliance on a avoidance coping. A more severe course of parental depression was associated with poorer functioning among DPOs at 23 years. Parental depression, especially more severe depression, is associated with offspring’s depression and poorer psychosocial functioning in adulthood. Efforts to prevent and treat parental depression and offspring’s dysfunction should improve the well-being of adult offspring and their families.

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Alcoholism and Alcohol Abuse, and Eli Lilly and Company.

REFERENCES:

Poster 10 Thursday, October 5 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

PSYCHOMETRIC EVALUATION OF PATIENT-RATED TROUBLING SYMPTOMS SCALE FOR ANXIETY Supported by Janssen Pharmaceutica, Inc.

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to demonstrate the reliability and validity of the Patient-Rated Troubling Symptoms Scale for Anxiety in patients with generalized anxiety disorder; and demonstrate the clinical responsiveness of the Patient-Rated Troubling Symptoms Scale for Anxiety in patients with generalized anxiety disorder.

SUMMARY:
Background: Psychometric properties and clinical responsiveness of the Patient-Rated Troubling Symptoms Scale for Anxiety (PaRTS-A) were examined in patients with generalized anxiety disorder (GAD).

Methods: In a 6-week trial of adjunctive risperidone, data were available from 385 patients at baseline and weeks 4 and 6 on PaRTS-A; Quality of Life Enjoyment and Satisfaction Questionaire (Q-LES-Q); and Sheelin Disability Scale (SDS). Clinicians completed the HAM-A and Clinical Global Impressions-Severity (CGI-S) scale. Descriptive exploratory factor item response (IRT) and ANCOVA analyses were conducted using SAS version 8.2.

Results: Patients were predominantly women with a mean 14.9±12.6-year history of anxiety. Strong evidence for a single factor (eigenvalue=3.54; 51% variance explained), strong correlation of items (r=0.48−0.85), ability of items to assess anxiety severity (IRT), and high reliability (>0.7) were found. Validity correlations were moderate and supportive (Q-LES-Q: −0.59) SDS: 0.62; SDS chief complaint: 0.65) at baseline. PaRTS-A discriminated between high and low HAM-A (p<.0001) and CGI-S (p=0.027) ratings. MCID (minimal clinically important difference) score of 4 points indicated stable and slight improvement in clinical responsiveness.

Conclusions: PaRTS-A provides reliable and internally consistent scores, good construct validity, discriminant validity, and responsiveness over time in a GAD sample.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists, and other mental health professionals.

REFERENCES:

Poster 11 Thursday, October 5 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

TWENTY-FOUR HOURS IN THE PSYCHIATRIC EMERGENCY ROOM

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand and report on the general activities of staff in a psychiatric emergency room, as well as understand a method for identifying and quantifying these activities.

SUMMARY:
This poster presents the first data from a three year NIMH grant examining staff perspectives on working in a psychiatric emergency room (PER). Little information
exists in the literature about day-to-day staff operations in the PER and the amount of time staff spend on different activities. We developed a protocol allowing for unobtrusive staff observation to collect information on the amount of time spent doing various types of job tasks, such as clinical tasks and administrative tasks. This protocol was implemented at a busy urban safety-net PER which historically sees more than 4,300 patients per year (about 360 patients per month). 24 hours of observations were completed during different shifts on weekdays as well as weekends. In total, 22 staff with six different job titles (nurses, psychiatrists, medical students, mental health workers, psychologists, residents) were observed. On average, staff spent 53% on administrative tasks, 20% on other activities, 18% of their time in direct face-to-face clinical contact, and 9% on the phone. These findings will increase knowledge about workflow and staff functions in the PER and provide a unique perspective from which to develop further research questions.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Individuals engaged in mental health services research, as well as mental health administrators, clinicians, and consumers with interests in emergency services.

**REFERENCES:**

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**Poster 12**
**Thursday, October 5**
**8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.**

**EXAMINING THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN MENTAL ILLNESS AND LITERACY**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to learn about the prevalence of literacy problems among people seeking outpatient mental health services at a public urban teaching hospital; and understand the relationship between literacy level and psychiatric symptoms and diagnoses.

**SUMMARY:**
Little is known about the relationship between mental illness and literacy despite both being prevalent problems in the United States with tremendous consequences. This study explores the relationship between literacy, education, psychiatric symptoms and diagnoses. Interviews and chart reviews (N=100) were conducted in a public, urban behavioral-health outpatient clinic. The relationship among sociodemographics, Rapid Estimate of Adult Literacy in Medicine (REALM), cognitive status, and psychiatric symptoms and diagnoses was examined. Forty-five percent of the sample had limited literacy (a REALM score ≤ 60 indicates an 8th grade or below reading level). Psychotic disorder was associated with limited literacy (p=.026). However, higher literacy was associated with substance abuse (p=.0033) and PTSD (p=.068). Multivariate analyses demonstrate that these relationships remain in adjusted models. Limitations include the small sample size and the over-representation of people with high levels of education. Increasing our understanding of the relationships between health literacy, education and psychiatric symptoms and disorders will help inform the development of appropriate psychiatric care and better outcomes for people seeking care. This project was supported by a faculty research development grant from the Boston University School of Public Health.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Mental health researchers and clinicians.

**REFERENCES:**

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**Poster 13**
**Thursday, October 5**
**8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.**

**THE UTILITY OF ATYPICAL NEUROLEPTICS IN SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS: A REVIEW**

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to critically appraise the literature concerning the effectiveness of atypical neuroleptics in the treatment of substance use disorders.

SUMMARY:
Dopamine is hypothesized to play a central role in the creation and maintenance of addictions. Accordingly, dopamine antagonists have been found in animal studies to block many of the conditioning effects of drugs of abuse. Given the difficulty in treating drug addictions in humans, and the significant burden of these disorders, there has been enormous interest in evaluating the dopamine-blocking neuroleptic drugs for their effects on substance abuse. This poster, intended for all clinicians, presents a critical review of the available literature concerning the utility of atypical neuroleptic drugs on substance abuse. A comprehensive literature search, including extensive bibliographic review, was completed. All studies examining substance-abuse measures in the context of atypical neuroleptic treatment in humans were reviewed, with the exception of case reports. These included retrospective or cross-sectional analyses of clinical data, open-label trials, laboratory experiments, and blinded clinical trials. In summary, the review revealed that, though analysis of naturalistic clinical data and open-label trials show promise for atypical neuroleptics, and laboratory experiments clearly demonstrate that atypical neuroleptics can attenuate the acute effects and craving in the laboratory setting, the few published clinical trials have not demonstrated any efficacy of atypical neuroleptics in substance abuse treatment.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
All clinicians.

REFERENCES:
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Forensic psychiatrists.

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TARGET AUDIENCE:
Forensic psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:
mission, gender, and length of stay powerfully predicted depression at discharge accounting for 41% of the variance in the discharge depression scores ($R^2=.41$, df=41, p<.001). Admission BDI scores were the most powerful predictor scores explaining 23% of the variance with length of stay accounting for 11% and gender contributing 7% to the variance. Discussion: Clinical, methodological and administrative implications of the results are discussed.

An earlier version of this poster was originally presented at the 2006 American Psychiatric Association Annual Meeting, held in Toronto, Canada.

REFERENCES:

Poster 17 Thursday, October 5 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

DECREASING THE USE OF RESTRAINT AND SECLUSION AMONG PSYCHIATRIC INPATIENTS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to describe ways in which an academic urban psychiatric hospital was able to decrease use of restraint and seclusion without a concomitant increase in adverse outcomes.

SUMMARY:

Objective: Restraint and seclusion (R/S) of psychiatric patients are “last resort” measures used when a patient presents an imminent risk to self or others. R/S episodes may cause emotional trauma, even physical harm or death. Clinical and ethical considerations and external regulations stipulate that R/S should be used as seldom as possible. We describe a hospital-wide effort to decrease R/S, with the hypotheses that interventions could:

1) reduce the number of patients in R/S, 2) reduce patient hours in R/S, 3) without an increase in adverse outcomes (fights/assaults, staff injuries).

Method: Study was performed at an urban academic psychiatric hospital (NY State Psychiatric Institute) with 3 inpatient units totaling 57 beds. Interventions included 1) decreased initial time in R/S from 4 to 2 hours before new order was required; 2) staff education to identify patients at risk of R/S and provide early interventions to avoid crises; 3) a coping questionnaire to assess patient preferences for dealing with agitation. Data was assessed 18 months before and 66 months following these interventions.

Results: Mean number of patients restrained went from 0.35 to 0.32 patients/month, and hours of restraint decreased from 0.05 to 0.03 hours per 1000 patient hours. Mean number of patients secluded decreased from 3.18 to 1.13 patients/month. Mean hours of seclusion decreased markedly, from 1.28 to 0.09 hours per 1000 patient hours. There was no increase in patient-related staff injuries or in fights/assaults.

Conclusions: Interventions were successful in decreasing R/S usage over five year follow-up. Such interventions may be adapted to other settings.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinical psychiatrists, mental health professionals, and health services researchers.

REFERENCES:

Poster 18 Thursday, October 5 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

ASSESSING HEALTH AND NUTRITION STATUS OF URBAN PSYCHIATRIC OUTPATIENTS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to describe health and nutritional issues related to outpatients treated in urban psychiatric settings, with particular reference to the needs of Hispanic patients with chronic mental disorders.

SUMMARY:

Objective: Individuals with chronic mental disorders often suffer from health problems, including obesity, hypertension, and diabetes, which may be exacerbated by psychotropic medications, and may result in excess mortality. This study assessed the health status of predominantly Hispanic outpatients in an urban psychiatric day program.

Method: 69 patients (of 105 enrollees) were assessed by chart review, interview and somatic measurements, for blood pressure, weight, girth, body mass index (BMI), glucose and lipid levels, as well as nutritional habits and medical care.

Results: Patients were 51% female, 78% Hispanic, and predominantly between the ages of 25 and 64 years. 57% were diagnosed with schizophrenia-spectrum disorders. 86% were on antipsychotic medications, and 25% were on two or more antipsychotics. Only 11% of women and 41% of men had normal weight, 29% of women and 18% of men were overweight (BMI = 25–29.9); and 60% of women and 41% of men were obese (BMI ≥ 30). Atypical antipsychotic treatment was significantly associated with obesity (BMI ≥ 30)(chi sq=5.5,df=1,p<.025). Waist measurements showed significant abdominal obesity among female patients, according to American Heart Association criteria. Blood pressure was elevated in 77% of patients (45% were pre-hypertensive [with BP 120–139/80–89]; and 32% were hypertensive [with BP >140/90]), and 53% had elevated random blood glucose levels (>110 mg/dL). Patients generally had had recent medical follow-up, and most had adequate cooking facilities.

Conclusion: These predominantly Hispanic chronically mentally ill individuals are at high risk for cardiac illness, highlighting the need for developing culturally-sensitive interventions in urban outpatient psychiatric settings.

This study was supported by a Health Promotions Funding Award grant from the New York State Office of Mental Health Bureau of Health Services, and a grant from the Frontier Fund of the Department of Psychiatry, Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Clinical psychiatrists, other mental health professionals, and health services researchers.

REFERENCES:


Poster 19 Thursday, October 5 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

PREVALENCE OF INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE IN INPATIENTS WITH SUICIDAL INTENT

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize the prevalence of intimate partner violence and relational dysfunction among suicidal inpatients.

SUMMARY:

Objective: To identify the prevalence of intimate partner violence (IPV) in psychiatric inpatients, with suicidal ideation. Method: Eligible patients, aged 18–65, living with partner for at least six months, who were admitted with suicidal ideation completed a demographics questionnaire and self-report assessment measures. Results: Over 90% reported IPV perpetration and victimization with no gender differences noted. Poor general relational functioning was correlated with IPV for both genders. Relational functioning was equally poor across all domains for both genders. When the sample was divided into good and poor relational functioning, a gender difference emerged. For women, poor relational functioning was correlated with psychological abuse by respondent and partner, physical assault by respondent and partner physical injury by respondent. For men, a correlation was present only for physical injury by respondent and partner. Gender differences were also found in the correlations between the FAD subscales and the 2 major CTS2 subscales: physical violence and psychological violence, with greater correlation for women than men. Conclusion: Suicidal inpatients report very high levels
of bidirectional IPV with equal rates for each gender. Poor relational functioning is associated with IPV for both genders although the patterns of dysfunction are different.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Inpatient psychiatrists, and family therapists.

**REFERENCES:**

**Poster 20**
**Thursday, October 5**
**8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.**

**IMPLICATIONS OF CYP2D6 ULTRA-RAPID METABOLISM IN THE TREATMENT OF MANIA**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize that genotype testing of CYP2D6 can potentially improve clinical response by influencing the selection and dosing of psychiatric medications.

**SUMMARY:**
*Introduction:* CYP2D6 enzymes metabolize many psychiatric medications and can potentially impact a patient’s clinical response. In this case report, we describe a patient with bipolar disorder who did not respond to numerous psychotropic medications and was later found to have ultra-rapid metabolism of CYP2D6. *Case Report:* AG was a 23 year old Hispanic female hospitalized for worsening manic symptoms. She was started on olanzapine and divalproex ER. After 2 weeks of no response, she was switched from divalproex to lithium and started on chlorpromazine. AG’s symptoms continued. Chlorpromazine was discontinued, while aripiprazole and haloperidol were added. After AG’s agitation increased, aripiprazole was stopped, haloperidol was increased, and quetiapine and oxcarbazepine were started. This resulted in significant clinical improvement. Near the end of her 64 day hospitalization, AG was found to be an ultra-rapid metabolizer of CYP2D6. *Conclusion:* This case suggests that a patient’s CYP2D6 ultra-rapid metabolism phenotype is important in guiding medication choices and dosing, even when combination therapies only include a limited number of medications that are CYP2D6 substrates. The patient did not have a clinical recovery until several medications not metabolized by CYP2D6 were initiated and a medication metabolized by CYP2D6 was increased in dose.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
All psychiatrists who treat patients with medications metabolized by CYP2D6.

**REFERENCES:**

**Poster 21**
**Thursday, October 5**
**8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.**

**THE EFFECT OF PERSONALITY TRAITS ON THE PROPHYLACTIC EFFICACY OF SSRI’S IN RECOVERED DEPRESSIVES**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand whether the presence or absence of personality traits/disorders affects the long-term course of patients treated with antidepressants who completely recovered from a depressive episode.

**SUMMARY:**
*Objective:* With research showing a 30–70% prevalence of personality disorders in samples of depressed individuals, there is clear evidence for the comorbidity of personality disorders and unipolar depression. One major issue is the difficulty in assessing the effect personality traits/disorders has on the long-term course of
depression. For instance, do individuals who receive prophylactic SSRIs have a differential long-term course in preventing depression if they have deviant personality traits. It is the purpose of this poster to evaluate the long-term course of recovered depressives treated prophylactically with SSRIs who either do or do not have deviant personality traits.

**Method:** Over a 10 year period, we measured personality traits/disorder in 168 patients during who had recovered from a depressive episode after receiving SSRI treatment. We used the Structured Interview for DSM-IV Personality Disorder (SIDP) was used to measure maladaptive personality traits. The SIDP measures ratable traits of the 10 DSM-IV personality disorders. All traits within a disorder are rated on a 0–3 point scale.

**Results:** The higher the dimensional personality trait score for the 10 total personality disorders the quicker the relapse (r=-.378 p<.0001) The average number of months stable for the group that was diagnosed with at least one categorical personality diagnosis (n=95) was 29.82 vs. 43.81 for the group with no categorical personality disorder diagnosis (n=73). This difference was highly significant (p<.0004).

**Conclusion:** The presence of deviant personality traits and/or categorical diagnosis in recovered depressives led to a quicker relapse despite prophylactic SSRI use.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Clinical psychiatrists, psychiatric nurses, and psychologists.

**REFERENCES:**

**Poster 22**
Thursday, October 5
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

**AUTISM, ASPERGER’S, AND SCHIZOPHRENIA: COMMON ENDOPHENOTYPIC AND GENETIC CHARACTERISTICS OF NEGATIVE SYMPTOM SPECTRUM DISORDERS**
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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to identify regions of the genome associated with common endophenotypic symptomatology.

**SUMMARY:**
Negative symptoms have been associated almost exclusively with schizophrenia; however, there are social deficits and cognitive/behavioral stereotypies in autism, Asperger’s disorder, schizoid and schizotypal personality disorder. Theoretically, these disorders may have overlapping genetic diatheses that contribute to overlapping endophenotypes. Substantial information is available for genetic markers in schizophrenia, autism, and Asperger’s disorder, but not for schizoid and schizotypal personality disorders. We mapped markers with significant linkage disequilibrium and found 9 regions of overlap. One region on the X chromosome was reported for Asperger’s disorder and autism, but not schizophrenia. The results for the X chromosome are intriguing considering the male predominance of Asperger’s and autism compared to schizophrenia. The findings could be consistent with the 9 chromosomal regions being linked to common endophenotypes and 1 X-linked area coding for unique aspects of autism and Asperger’s disorder or a gene protective against the positive symptoms of schizophrenia. More information is needed since the studies classified linkage disequilibrium with the disorders as a whole and not by endophenotypes. The results suggest that cross-disorder endophenotyping of specific symptoms should receive more emphasis in whole genome mapping to identify regions of the genome associated with common endophenotypic symptomatology.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Psychiatrists, pediatricians, and beneficists.

**REFERENCES:**

**Poster 23**
Thursday, October 5
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

**PSYCHOPHARMACOLOGICAL TREATMENTS AND CHANGES IN BODY MASS INDEX IN ADOLESCENTS**

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At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize the lack of statistically significant association between exposure to various classes of psychopharmacological agents and weight gain in terms of Body Mass Index (BMI), as well as BMI Z-score that was observed in a sample of child and adolescent psychiatric patients treated in an outpatient clinic setting.

SUMMARY:

**Objective:** To determine if any associations would be observed between change in BMI/BMI Z-score, psychotropic medication administration, and several potentially confounding variables in clinical sample of child and adolescent psychiatric outpatients.

**Method:** Retrospective analyses of 250 charts of patients who received treatment in an outpatient clinic during 18 month period prior to these analyses were performed. Of these charts, 204 contained adequate follow-up information. Multiple comparisons were performed using repeated measures analyses of covariance.

**Result:** There was significant change in BMI ($p = .05$), but not a statistically significant change in BMI Z-score on all the children from baseline to follow-up. The mean and median number of days on stable regimen was $721.7$ and $460.5$ respectively. There were no statistically significant effects on the change in BMI/BMI Z-score that were revealed when comparison was performed with: age; gender; class of psychotropic medication used (including: atypical antipsychotic, antidepressant, mood stabilizer, and stimulant medications); total number of medications; total time of exposure; or exposure to psychotropic medication prior to observation period.

**Conclusions:** After comparing the changes in BMI/BMI Z-score between patients differentiated by various parameters, we did not find any statistically significant associations between any of these factors and change in BMI/BMI Z-score.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Mental health professionals working with children and adolescents

REFERENCES:


**FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH PSYCHIATRIC SERVICE USE IN LATINO ADOLESCENTS**

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize the need for better access to mental health services in Latino children and adolescents, and identify factors that may play a role in improving service access in this population.

SUMMARY:

Access to mental health services, in addition to being a problem for children and adolescents with psychiatric disorders, has also been described in Latino populations (Alegria, 2002; Kataoka SH, 2002). For these reasons, we attempt to describe the individual, socioeconomic and family factors that play a role in accessing treatment in Latino adolescents. All patients admitted to the Intensive Ambulatory Program at the University Pediatric Hospital of Puerto Rico from January to December 2005 were evaluated to assess reasons and diagnosis for admission as well as psychosocial risk factors for mental health problems. The profile of the patients showed that they were most frequently females, from 15 to 17 years old, above poverty level and living only with their mothers. The most common initial diagnosis was mood disorders. Referral was from their ambulatory psychiatrist due to aggression towards others and the most frequently identified stressor was family conflicts. Most patients did not present a history of abuse but did present family psychiatric history and school problems. Analysis revealed that statistically significant factors associated with more prolonged length of stay were having a private health plan, high-income level and having comorbid diagnosis, especially mood disorder comorbid with disruptive disorder.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Psychiatrists who treat Latino children and adolescents and health services administrators.
REFERENCES:

Poster 25 Thursday, October 5 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.
PREVALENCE OF PTSD IN PREGNANT WOMEN WITH PRIOR PREGNANCY COMPLICATIONS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant will be aware of the incidence of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) in pregnant women who have experienced a previous pregnancy complication. In addition, clinicians will become familiar with a method to assess pregnant women with prior pregnancy complications for PTSD.

SUMMARY:
Objective: Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) involves the development of characteristic symptoms following a traumatic event, including re-experiencing the event, avoidance of stimuli associated with the event, and symptoms of increased physiologic arousal. As a pregnancy loss or other complication can be considered traumatic and severity of PTSD has been linked to the frequency of traumatic reminders, we sought to examine the prevalence of full and partial PTSD in a group of pregnant women who have experienced a previous pregnancy loss or serious complication.

Methods: Forty-two pregnant women referred to a university-based maternal fetal medicine program who experienced a previous pregnancy loss or complication completed a self-rated pregnancy complication questionnaire (PCQ) based on the Clinician-Administered PTSD Scale (CAPS-1). Another 24 women underwent a clinical interview to assess presence of PTSD due to a pregnancy-related trauma.

Results: Of the 42 women who provided self-rated assessments, the prevalence of PTSD meeting DSM-IV criteria was 5/42, while an additional 10/42 met criteria for partial PTSD. Of the 24 women who underwent clinician-rated assessments, 2/24 met criteria for full PTSD and 6/24 met criteria for partial PTSD.

Conclusions: The prevalence of full and partial PTSD in women who are pregnant subsequent to a pregnancy-related trauma is considerable. Given anxiety during pregnancy is not without risks to both mother and fetus, women who have experienced a previous pregnancy loss should be screened for the presence of clinically meaningful symptoms of PTSD.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinicians treating pregnant women.

REFERENCES:

Poster 26 Thursday, October 5 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.
MORTALITY AND MEDICAL COMORBIDITY IN PATIENTS WITH SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS: PART TWO

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to gain an improved understanding of the leading causes of death and medical co-morbidities among SMI patients admitted to the Ohio Department of Mental Health-licensed psychiatric units and the need to target interventions that improve quality of life outcomes for this population.

SUMMARY:
Objectives: We recently documented excess mortality and examined leading causes of death and medical comorbidities among SMI patients admitted to the Ohio Department of Mental Health-licensed psychiatric units and the need to target interventions that improve quality of life outcomes for this population.

REFERENCES:
tion. **Methods:** Medicaid pre-admission screening records from 177,000 inpatient admissions to Ohio Department of Mental Health-licensed psychiatric units between 1998 and 2004 were matched against state death records, identifying 2819 deaths. Deaths were further stratified by age, gender, race, and primary diagnosis. Leading causes of death and medical co-morbidities, years of potential life lost (YPLL), and the time interval between discharge and death were calculated for this population. **Results:** Heart disease (N=629, 22%) and cancer (N=335, 12%) were the leading causes of death. Decedents had a mean YPLL of 28.5 +/- 13.6 years. Hypertension (N=559, 20%) and diabetes mellitus (N=486, 17%) were the most prevalent medical co-morbidities. There were 143 deaths within 31 days post-discharge. **Conclusions:** Our study demonstrated excess mortality among patients with SMI. This study reinforces the need to integrate the delivery of currently fragmented mental and physical health services and to target interventions that improve quality of life outcomes for this population.

**REFERENCES:**

**Target Audience:**
Researchers and community agency decision-makers (e.g., Executive Directors, Managers).

**REFERENCES:**
Poster 28
Thursday, October 5
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

ATYPICAL ANTIPSYCHOTIC POLYPHARMACY RATES: A COMPARISON OF DIFFERENT METHODS
Supported by Eli Lilly and Company

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this presentation, the participant should recognize that there are different methods for calculating polypharmacy rates, which will result in very different results. Further, it should be recognized that polypharmacy rates are increasing over time, and are greater in the Medicaid population.

SUMMARY:
Objective: Atypical antipsychotic (AAP) polypharmacy is a growing clinical concern and target for decreasing pharmacy budgets. This study’s purpose was to examine varying results when using different retrospective methodologic approaches to assess polypharmacy.

Method: AAP polypharmacy rates, both annual and point prevalence, were calculated and compared over time using different polypharmacy definitions and data sources. These sources included a privately insured population [PharMetrics®, 2000–2004] and a Medicaid population [large western state, 2000–2002]. Prescription records were used to create drug episodes, from which polypharmacy rates were computed for each calendar date and year of study. Descriptive statistics and general linear modeling were utilized.

Results: Using a 30-day persistence definition, annual AAP polypharmacy rates increased in the Medicaid (9.0% to 15.2%) and insured (3.4% to 7.8%) samples. In both, year-to-year rates increased significantly (p=0.018). The average difference between Medicaid and insured annual rates was 5.8% (p=0.002). The 30-day point prevalence rates remained at a consistent ratio (59%) of the corresponding annual rates.

Conclusion: AAP polypharmacy rates were higher for Medicaid patients versus insured patients, increasing over time. Point prevalence polypharmacy rates averaged 59% of annual rates. Decisions-makers should consider the impact of different approaches when estimating polypharmacy.

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TARGET AUDIENCE:
Payers, practicing clinicians, schizophrenia researchers, mental health decision makers, and advocacy groups.

REFERENCES:

Poster 29
Thursday, October 5
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

META-ANALYSIS OF NEUROPSYCHIATRIC INVENTORY DOMAINS IN THREE, SIX-MONTH TRIALS OF MEMANTINE IN MODERATE TO SEVERE ALZHEIMER’S DISEASE
Supported by Forest Laboratories, Inc.

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this presentation, the participant should be able to assess the efficacy of memantine on behavioral disturbances in patients with moderate to severe Alzheimer’s disease.

SUMMARY:
Objective: Memantine, a moderate affinity, uncompetitive N-methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA) receptor antagonist, is approved in the US and in Europe for the treatment of moderate to severe Alzheimer’s disease (AD). To assess the effects of memantine on behavioral disturbances in AD, a meta-analysis of three large-scale, randomized, placebo-controlled clinical trials was performed.

Methods: NPI total scores and individual domains from three, 6-month memantine trials in moderate to severe AD patients were analyzed (MEM-MD-01, van Dyck et al, in preparation; MEM-MD-02; Tariot et al, 2004; MRZ 90001-9605, Reisberg et al, 2003). All trials were randomized, double-blind, parallel-group designs comparing memantine (10 mg BID) to placebo. MEM-MD-02 allowed concomitant donepezil therapy (6 months, stable for 3 months). Standardized mean differences (SMD) were calculated using fixed-effect models; random effects models were used when evidence of heterogeneity was observed (Chi² P ≤ 10). Analyses
were based on Intention-to-Treat populations using a last observation carried approach for replacement of missing values.

Results: Change from baseline on NPI total score at study endpoint for each trial revealed a statistically significant advantage of memantine over placebo in the MEM-MD-02 study only (P=.002). When data from all three trials were combined and analyzed, the NPI total score showed a homogeneous effect size in favor of memantine treatment (Chi²=3.32, P=.19; SMD=−0.17 [95% CI −0.30, −0.04], P=.01). Additionally, several NPI domains demonstrated statistically significant treatment differences in favor of memantine and all were homogeneous: delusions (Chi²=2.33, P=.31; SMD=−0.14 [95% CI −0.27, −0.02], P=.03), agitation/aggression (Chi²=2.48, P=.29; SMD=−0.24 [95% CI −0.37, −0.11], P=.003), and irritability/lability (Chi²=3.49, P=.17; SMD=−0.13 [95% CI −0.26, 0.0], P=.05). Heterogeneity was seen on hallucinations and depression/dysphoria.

Conclusions: These findings suggest that memantine treatment of 6-months duration can provide a reduction in specific behavioral disturbances in patients with moderate to severe AD, including agitation/aggression, delusions, and irritability/lability.

REFERENCES:

SUMMARY:
Objective: Memantine, a moderate affinity, uncompetitive N-methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA) receptor antagonist, is approved in the US and in Europe for the treatment of moderate to severe Alzheimer’s disease (AD). To assess the effects of memantine on behavioral disturbances in AD, a post hoc analysis of behavioral outcomes from a previously published trial of memantine in moderate to severe AD patients receiving stable donepezil treatment was performed.

Methods: Neuropsychiatric Inventory (NPI) individual items were aggregated into four subscales based on a modification to a previously reported factor analysis. Subscales were defined as follows: Mood (depression/dysphoria, anxiety, irritability/lability, night-time behavioral disturbances, appetite/eating change), Psychosis (delusions, hallucinations, agitation/aggression), Frontal (euphoria/elation, disinhibition), or Other (apathy, aberrant motor behavior). The efficacy analysis was based on the Intention to Treat population, using the Last Observation Carried Forward approach to missing data.

Results: Baseline characteristics between the placebo treatment group and memantine treatment group were comparable. The total NPI score was significantly lower for the memantine group as compared to the placebo group at week 24 (P=.002), representing fewer behavioral disturbances and psychiatric symptoms in memantine-treated patients. On the Mood subscale, memantine/donepezil treated patients demonstrated improvement at study endpoint whereas placebo/donepezil treated patients worsened by 1.6 points (P=.002). Although symptoms of psychosis increased in both groups, the increase was significantly attenuated in memantine/donepezil treated patients compared to placebo/donepezil treated patients (P=.008). Frontal symptoms and Other symptoms were not significantly different between treatment groups.

Conclusions: These findings suggest that 6-months of memantine treatment in patients receiving stable donepezil significantly reduces behavioral symptoms in patients with moderate to severe AD, with a benefit for behaviors associated with mood and psychosis.

REFERENCES:
THE EFFECT OF MEMANTINE ON DISTINCT BEHAVIOR SYNDROMES IN MODERATE TO SEVERE ALZHEIMER’S DISEASE PATIENTS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this presentation, the participant should be able to recognize the potential for memantine to provide specific benefits to Alzheimer’s Disease patients for mood- and psychosis-related behavioral symptoms based on the Neuropsychiatric Inventory.

SUMMARY:

Objective: In a previously reported 24-week placebo-controlled, double-blind clinical trial in moderate to severe AD patients on concomitant donepezil treatment, memantine-treated patients performed significantly better on the Neuropsychiatric Inventory (NPI) than placebo-treated patients. The current study is a post hoc analysis in which NPI individual items were aggregated into four subscales (modified from a previously reported factor analysis) to determine whether memantine has specific effects on one or more subscales. Memantine is a moderate affinity, uncompetitive N-methyl-D-aspartate (NMDA) receptor antagonist approved in the US and in Europe for moderate to severe AD.

Methods: Behavioral subscales were defined as follows: Mood (depression/dysphoria, anxiety, irritability/lability, night-time behavior disturbances, appetite/eating change), Psychosis (delusions, hallucinations, agitation/aggression), Frontal (euphoria/elation, disinhibition), or Other (apathy, aberrant motor behavior). A positive response for each subscale was defined as no net change or net improvement on the NPI items constituting the subscale. P values were based upon a CMH test controlling for study center.

Results: Results (OC) indicate that memantine had a significant effect over placebo upon symptoms in the Mood subscale at both weeks 12 (P=.034) and 24 (P=.033), with 65.5% of patients in the memantine group showing a positive response at week 24. Memantine also had a significant effect over placebo (OC) upon symptoms of Psychosis at both weeks 12 (P=.006) and 24 (P=.001), with 80.7% of patients in the memantine group showing a positive response in this domain at week 24. The response difference (OC) between memantine and placebo patients at week 24 was 12.2% and 18.9% for Mood and Psychosis subscales, respectively. LOCF analysis yielded comparable results. Effects of memantine on Frontal symptoms were not significant, while the effects on Other symptoms were significant at week 24 using LOCF analysis (P=.037), but not OC analysis (P=.058).

Conclusions: Taken together, these results suggest that memantine provides specific behavioral benefits for mood and psychosis-related symptoms associated with AD.

REFERENCES:

mally important difference (MID) of the PSP in patients with acute schizophrenia.

Data from a cross-sectional validation study (n=299) and three pooled clinical antipsychotic trials (n=1692), including patients with acute psychotic symptoms (baseline mean PANSS>90), were analyzed. Intraclass correlation coefficients (ICC) were derived to assess inter-rater and test-retest reliability. Convergent and discriminant validity, sensitivity of the PSP to clinical change and MID were evaluated.

The test-retest and inter-rater ICCs exceeded 0.80, indicating good reliability. PSP was more highly correlated with PANSS items expected to have an impact on social function (active social avoidance \( p=-0.26 \), emotional withdrawal \( p=-0.23 \), passive/apathetic social withdrawal \( p=-0.24 \)). PSP was able to discriminate between different levels of CGI severity (\( p<0.005 \)). Regression analyses showed that PSP is sensitive to change in PANSS total score (\( p<0.0001 \). Based on a 1 category improvement in CGI-S, the observed between-group MID for PSP in acute patients was 7 points.

These data support the PSP as a valid, reliable clinician-reported measure of personal and social function in acute schizophrenia patients.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Psychiatrist and other mental health professionals.

**REFERENCES:**

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**CONTINUOUS ELIGIBILITY CONSTRAINT MAY UNDERESTIMATE COST IN CLAIMS DATA**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand that continuous eligibility requirements in claims data analysis may underestimate health care cost, and be aware of some cost components that are affected by the requirement.

**SUMMARY:**

When conducting claims data analyses, a common requirement is that patients have continuous eligibility for some timeframe to enter the analysis sample. This constraint may exclude more severe patients who temporarily lose eligibility for reasons related to their illness. As a result, patients diagnosed with schizophrenia with 12 months eligibility for one fiscal year may have lower non-medication psychiatric cost for that year than those with fewer eligible months. Using the Pennsylvania Medicaid database for the fiscal years 1999 through 2003 we compared yearly psychiatric cost for patients with varying levels of eligibility. In the 2002 fiscal year data, patients who had 12 months of eligibility had significantly lower annual psychiatric cost (mean= $6348.35, SD=$13317.12, median=$1925.00, N=26529) than those with 6 to 11 months of eligibility (mean= $9960.37, SD=$16098.56, median=$4240.00, N=2083) (\( p<0.0001 \). Total psychiatric cost for those with less than 6 months of eligibility did not significantly differ from those with full 12 month eligibility (mean= $5462.00, SD=$8826.96, median=$1719.54, N=614) (\( p=0.2282 \), and was significantly lower than those with 6 to 11 months eligibility (\( p=0.0001 \). The pattern was similar for other fiscal years. Excluding patients with less than 12 months of eligibility may exclude a group of patients that are more costly to treat.

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**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Payers, practicing clinicians, schizophrenia researchers, mental health decision makers, and advocacy groups.

**REFERENCES:**


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**VIOLENCE IN COLOMBIA: THE DECADE OF THE 90’S**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand the socio-economical cir-
SUMMARY:
Colombia has been under an internal armed conflict during at least the last 45 years. This armed conflict is one of the largest wars in the modern history. During the decade of the 90’s, Colombia had the highest rate of death by violence in the world. These rates were higher than in those countries in Africa, Central America or Europe that had a declared civil war. The purpose of this study was to describe if the high rates of violent deaths in Colombia were directly related to the armed conflict. Methods: Data from violent death during the decade of the 90’s were collected from the national and international sources that included the National Forensic Institute, Ministry of Health, the National Department of Statistic and United Nations. Findings: The data showed that only 20% of all violent-deaths were attributable to the internal conflict, and that most violent deaths (80%) occurred in circumstances not related to the internal conflict. Conclusion: The peace efforts of the Colombian government may help reduce the rates of violent deaths. However, the government and Colombian society should consider increasing the efforts to reduce the socio-economical circumstances that may be generating the majority of the violent deaths.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Social and behavioral researchers, and human rights workers.

REFERENCES:

TRAUMA HEALING VIA COGNITIVE BEHAVIOR THERAPY IN CHRONICALLY HOSPITALIZED PATIENTS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to describe the standard approach to coping and its challenges in schizophrenia; and describe a new framework of coping and its relation to outcome in schizophrenia.

SUMMARY:
Background and objectives: Problem-focused coping, as compared with emotion-focused coping, is considered to have beneficial effects on outcome in stressful conditions. This has not been strongly corroborated for schizophrenia. We attempted to generate new factors of coping and to examine their relation to symptom severity and to quality of life in schizophrenia.
Methods: 58 adult outpatients, diagnosed with schizophrenia as per SCID, tested cross-sectionally on the Ways of Coping Checklist (WCC), on the Positive and Negative Symptom Scale (PANSS), and on the Wisconsin Quality of Life Index (W-QLI). Principal components analysis was performed on the WCC, and the resulting coping factors were correlated with PANSS and with W-QLI scores.
Results: 6 coping factors were found. Of these, intellectual coping was inversely correlated with general symptoms, coping by direct problem solving was inversely correlated with negative symptoms, active coping was directly correlated with the social domain of quality of life, and negative emotion coping was inversely correlated with four domains of quality of life as well as with total quality of life.
Conclusion: Intellectual coping may be a newly discovered factor that moderates comorbidity in schizophrenia. Further study of this topic is needed.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Mental health care professionals and trainees, and consumers of psychiatric services.

REFERENCES:
QUALITY OF CARE ASSESSMENT: RESULTS OF A PATIENT SATISFACTION QUESTIONNAIRE IN AN INPATIENT CARE UNIT IN SPAIN

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize the importance of measuring patient satisfaction and how to perform it.

SUMMARY:
There is a growing concern in recent years about the importance of patient opinion and satisfaction with psychiatric services. Many scales and questionnaires have been developed for this purpose. The aim of this poster is to review this topic and show the results of a research questionnaire developed by our team and passed to 96 inpatients after their discharge. Variables related to age, sex, demographic and social status, as well as clinical characteristics were studied. It was performed ten days after discharge and completed by patients in an anonymous way. The study was confidential, voluntary and blind to the researchers. 86 out of 96 patients filled out the questionnaire meaning an 88% participation rate. The items studied could be tested in three categories from best to poor satisfaction in five aspects of care. Preliminary results suggests an overall satisfaction with care ranging from 63.9% in Safety to 77% to staff management. Only a 2% answered negatively in illness handling to a 5% in security sense. No differences were found regarding to sex, age and diagnostic categories. Men were less satisfied in general with care. Global results are very close to those observed in other studies in the sense of high levels of satisfaction with no differences related to demographic variables. Further and specific research is needed.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinicians interested in quality assessment of their clinical practice.

REFERENCES:
TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists, policy makers, and payers.

REFERENCES:

Poster 38 Thursday, October 5
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF ADHD IN ADULTS: 2001–2004
Supported by Washington State University

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize the upward trend in the rate of adult ADHD and the use of stimulant and nonstimulant medications for its treatment.

SUMMARY:
Purpose: To evaluate whether the trend in adults seeking medical care for the treatment of ADHD reflects the upward pattern seen among children. Methods: Data from the U.S. National Ambulatory Medical Care Survey for years 2001 through 2004, were extracted to evaluate: (1) the number and rate of office-based physician visits resulting in a diagnosis of ADHD (ICD-9 CM code 314.00 or 314.01) among patients 20 years old; and (2) the rate of a diagnosis of ADHD and the prescribing of stimulant or nonstimulant (atomoxetine; available since late 2002) pharmacotherapy for its treatment. Results: Between 2001 and 2004, national estimates of the number of office-based visits documenting a diagnosis of ADHD doubled, increasing from 1,394,639 to 2,771,101. Adjusted for population growth, the rate per year of office visits per 1,000 U.S. population 20 years old resulting in a diagnosis of ADHD increased from 6.8 per 1,000 in 2001, to 13.1 in 2004 (p < 0.05). The vast majority of these visits documented a prescription for stimulant or nonstimulant pharmacotherapy for the treatment of ADHD (range: 70.9%–83.1%). Conclusion: As with children, the rate of adults seeking medical care for ADHD has increased dramatically. Over all years, 79% of patients were being treated with a stimulant or nonstimulant medication. This project was funded by the Pharmacoeconomics and Pharmacoepidemiology Research Unit, Washington State University.

REFERENCE:

Poster 39 Thursday, October 5
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

IMPACT AND IMPLICATIONS OF INDUSTRY SUPPORT UPON PSYCHIATRIC RESEARCH

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to appreciate the impact and understand the implications of support from pharmaceutical industries upon psychiatric research.

SUMMARY:
The pharmaceutical industry has become a major source of funding for medical research. This has led to suggestion that there may a pro-industry bias in such “industrialized” research. The American Psychiatric Association (APA), along with many other national and international scientific organizations has adopted a policy of public disclosure of any relationship between the industry sponsorship and authorship. To study the impact of this policy, all abstracts (N=889) of the New Research published at the 158th annual meeting of the APA were reviewed. There were 292 abstracts (32.85%) which appeared to have some relationship with the industry. Out of these abstracts, there were 225 (77.05%) abstracts...
which were labeled as “Supported by Industry”. The rest of the abstracts (N=67, 22.95%) were first-authored by an employee of the industry in addition to 40 of the 225 “Supported by Industry” abstracts. There were 62 (21.23%) abstracts studying non-pharmaceutical subjects. In 194 abstracts (66.44%), the outcome favored the study drug in contrast to only 6 abstracts (2.05%) showing the study drug to be inferior, and 30 abstracts (10.28%) showing the study drug to be no better or worse (P<0.005). These observations show that the industry has a significant financial impact upon psychiatric research. There is a tendency to report favorable outcome for a particular study drug. This shows that the APA policy works in making the potential of pro-industry bias transparent. But the policy falls short on evaluating for such bias on abstracts first-authored by an employee of the industry.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatric research scientists, the pharmaceutical industry, and policy makers.

REFERENCES:

CONCOMITANT MEDICATION USE AND COST FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH BIPOLAR DISORDER TREATED WITH OLanzAPINE OR QUETIAPIANE
Supported by Eli Lilly and Company

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to describe differences in concomitant medication use and cost of medications for individuals with bipolar disorder initiating treatment with olanzapine or quetiapine.

SUMMARY:
Objective: To compare the concomitant medication use, cost of psychotropic medications, and total cost of treatment for individuals with bipolar disorder initiated on olanzapine or quetiapine.

Methods: We identified individuals in PharMetrics Integrated Outcomes Database who had at least one inpatient discharge diagnosis or 2 outpatient diagnoses for bipolar disorder and initiated treatment with either olanzapine (N=763) or quetiapine (N=676) between 1-1-2003 and 6-1-2004. All patients were continuously enrolled for 6 months prior through 6 months following the initiation of olanzapine or quetiapine. Propensity scores based on demographic and resource use variables from 6 months prior to initiation were used to adjust significance tests for baseline differences.

Results: Although the average 6-month cost of olanzapine ($824) was significantly higher than that for quetiapine ($532), the cost of concomitant psychotropic medications during the 6-month post period were significantly higher for quetiapine-treated patients ($873) than olanzapine treated patients ($708). Total healthcare costs were similar for olanzapine- ($6840) and quetiapine-treated ($7744) patient, partially due to less frequent emergency room use for olanzapine patients.

Conclusions: Although olanzapine has a higher acquisition cost than quetiapine, patients with bipolar disorder treated with olanzapine use fewer concomitant psychotropic medications and have similar total healthcare costs. Funding provided by Eli Lilly and Company.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Payers, prescribers, and patients.

REFERENCES:

DEPRESSION IN TYPE 2 DIABETES: CORRELATION AND QUALITY OF LIFE
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognise the co-occurrence of depres-
sion in diabetes and to identify it; understand the importance of treating it early; and understand the burden it places on the quality of life of the diabetic.

SUMMARY:
Depression and diabetes coexist frequently but not often recognised. The knowledge of associated factors and treatment strategies is limited. We determined the factors associated with depression in patients with type 2 diabetes and compared the quality of life of the depressed with the non depressed diabetic patients. This is a cross sectional study of 150 consecutive type 2 diabetic patients attending diabetology outpatient clinic at a teaching hospital (Stanley medical college, Chennai) in urban India. Structured instrument was designed to elicit factors associated with depression; these were categorised into 3 groups as disease measures, socioeconomic measures and family measures. Diabetes specific quality of life index was used to measure the quality of life. Socioeconomic factors and family measures were found to be more significantly associated with depression than disease measures. Quality of life is more significantly affected in the depressed group than in the non depressed group and it is possible to identify associated factors. The possibility of enjoying a good quality of life for diabetics is made further far-fetched by the co-occurrence of depression. This study emphasizes a holistic patient focussed approach rather than a disease orientation in approaching this combination.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Consultant psychiatrists, trainees, and psychologists.

REFERENCES:

MEDICAL SCREENING OF PSYCHIATRIC INPATIENTS ON EMERGENCY ADMISSION

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participants should be able to recognize the high prevalence of medical co-morbidity in psychiatric inpatients; and understand that while routine laboratory testing may not be indicated in all psychiatric inpatients, a subset of labs consisting of BMP, LFT, and urine toxicology appears useful as a screening tool.

SUMMARY:
Objective: The ACEP published an evidence-based clinical policy in 2006 that states routine laboratory testing is of very low yield and needs not be performed as part of the ED assessment in psychiatric patients with normal vital signs, a noncontributory history and physical examination. In this study we sought to determine the utility of routine laboratory investigations in psychiatric admissions.

Method: Subjects included 934 consecutively admitted psychiatric inpatients to UCLA-Kern Medical Center in 2005. Charts were reviewed for demographic data, laboratory and imaging studies, and clinical diagnoses.

Results: The prevalence of medical co-morbidity was 45.6%, the most common being: hyperglycemia, hypertension, and asthma. The prevalence of abnormal laboratory findings was 18.2% among a total of 6612 tests. 356 (41.3%) of 861 basic metabolic panels (BMP), 140 (31.9%) of 439 liver function tests (LFT), and 235 (30.0%) of 783 urine toxicology were abnormal. Both thyroid stimulating hormone (TSH) and rapid plasma regain (RPR) were considered low yield with only 62 (7.7%) of 808 and 3 (0.5%) of 623 abnormal results.

Conclusions: BMP, LFT, and urine toxicology appear useful as screening laboratory examination. RPR and TSH should only be ordered based on clinical suspicions.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Professionals diagnosing and treating in emergency psychiatric settings.

REFERENCES:
ASSESSING THE VALIDITY OF THE QUALITY OF LIFE ENJOYMENT AND SATISFACTION QUESTIONNAIRE IN ADULTS WITH ADHD

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize the validity of Quality of Life Enjoyment and Satisfaction Questionnaire in adults with ADHD.

SUMMARY:

Objective: Despite documentation of robust clinical response to pharmacotherapy of attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) in adults, the impact of treatment on overall quality of life has not been fully addressed. We assessed the psychometric properties of the Quality of Life Enjoyment and Satisfaction Questionnaire (Q-LES-Q) in ADHD adults.

Methods: 179 ADHD and 117 non-ADHD adults from a case control study and 112 adults randomized to placebo or methylphenidate were assessed the Q-LES-Q and the Social Adjustment Scale (SAS). Internal consistency of the 16 individual items Q-LES-Q was assessed with Chronbach’s alpha statistic and concurrent validity was assessed via correlation with the SAS total T-score. Response to change was estimated by comparing change in Q-LES-Q scores in responders and non-responders from the controlled trial of methylphenidate (57.4+/−8.3 vs. 64.2+/−7.2, p<0.001).

Conclusions: These results support the validity of the Q-LES-Q as a measure of quality of life in samples of adults with ADHD. Thus, the Q-LES-Q is an appropriate tool to measure quality of life in clinical trials of ADHD adults.

REFERENCES:

Participants with probable TD at enrollment (fulfilling Schooler-Kane criteria, N=621, 29.5%) were compared with participants who did not (N=1482), on clinical and functional measures across the 3-year study.

**Results:** Participants with TD had, across the 3-year study, significantly more severe psychopathology (PANSS total score, negative symptoms, positive symptoms, general psychopathology), were less likely to experience symptom remission, had more severe EPS, and poorer level of functioning (e.g., productivity level, employment, daily activity, GAF, Quality of Life Scale and its 4 domains). Results were essentially unchanged following adjustments for known correlates of TD and when using a subgroup of participants with persistent TD (at enrollment and at 1 year).

**Conclusions:** In the long-term treatment of schizophrenia, persons with TD have a significantly more severe and more refractory course of illness than persons without TD, suggesting poorer prognosis and need for specialized interventions. Funding provided by Eli Lilly and Company.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Practicing clinicians, schizophrenia researchers, mental health decision makers, and advocacy groups.

**REFERENCES:**

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**Poster 45 Thursday, October 5 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.**

**EARLY RESPONSE TO ANTIPSYCHOTICS AS PREDICTOR OF LATER RESPONSE IN THE NATURALISTIC TREATMENT OF SCHIZOPHRENIA**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this presentation, participants should recognize that in the naturalistic treatment of schizophrenia, lack of early minimal response to antipsychotic medication appears to accurately predict subsequent non-response to treatment. Findings suggest that early non-responders may benefit from changing antipsychotic regimens to avoid prolonging exposure to sub-optimal treatment.

**SUMMARY:**

**Objective:** To assess whether early response to antipsychotic medication (at 2 weeks) accurately predicts later response (at 8 weeks) in the naturalistic treatment of schizophrenia.

**Methods:** Data were drawn from a randomized, open-label, trial (N=664) of olanzapine, risperidone, and typical antipsychotics in the treatment of schizophrenia, completed in September 2002. Treatment response was defined as at least 20% improvement on the PANSS total score from baseline ("minimal improvement"). Sensitivity, specificity, positive predictive value (PPV), negative predictive value (NPV), and overall predictive accuracy were calculated for response/non-response at 2 weeks and subsequent response/non-response at 8 weeks. Analyses were repeated using mild or better scores on 4 PANSS psychotic items to define response.

**Results:** Early response/non-response predicted subsequent response/non-response with high overall accuracy (72.8%), moderate PPV (69.4%), high NPV (73.8%), moderate sensitivity (42.4%), and high specificity (89.7%). Results were similar when 4 PANSS psychotic items defined response/non-response.

**Conclusions:** In the naturalistic treatment of schizophrenia, early response/non-response to treatment with antipsychotics appears to accurately predict subsequent response/non-response to treatment. Findings suggest that early non-responders may benefit from change in antipsychotic regimens to avoid prolonging exposure to sub-optimal treatment alternatives. Findings are consistent with previous research on early prediction of antipsychotic response in schizophrenia.

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**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Practicing clinicians, schizophrenia researchers, mental health decision makers, and advocacy groups.

**REFERENCES:**
COST AND EFFECTIVENESS OF SWITCHING FROM RISPERIDONE TO OLANZAPINE IN THE TREATMENT OF SCHIZOPHRENIA

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this presentation, the participant should recognize that during the long-term treatment of patients with schizophrenia, switching from risperidone to olanzapine, when clinically warranted, appears to be a cost effective “rescue” option.

SUMMARY:

Objectives: To assess changes in cost and effectiveness parameters following switch from risperidone to olanzapine during the long-term treatment of schizophrenia patients.

Methods: Patients were participants in a randomized, open-label, 1-year cost-effectiveness trial of olanzapine, risperidone, and typical antipsychotics in the treatment of schizophrenia. Study protocol permitted antipsychotic switching when clinically warranted. Resource utilization was systematically abstracted from medical records. Treatment outcomes were assessed with standard psychiatric measures. Statistical analyses assessed changes from pre-to-post switch among patients who were randomized to risperidone, but later switched to olanzapine for any cause.

Results: Sixty of the 218 (27.5%) patients randomized to risperidone switched antipsychotics—with 43 (72%) switching to olanzapine. Average duration on risperidone before switching to olanzapine was 86.1 days (mean maximum dose 4.5 mg/day). Most of these switchers (86%) completed the 1-year study on olanzapine (average maximum dose 13.3 mg/day). Following switch to olanzapine, patients experienced significant improvements on clinical and social parameters (both, p<.001), with 35.7% of the prior non-remitters achieving remission status. Mean total daily costs changed from $49.5/day pre-switch, to $44.4/day post-switch (non-significant difference).

Conclusions: Olanzapine appears to be a cost effective “rescue” option for patients who require switching from risperidone in the long-term treatment of schizophrenia.

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REFERENCES:


48.5% from typical antipsychotics. Following antipsychotic switch, switchers experienced significant improvements in symptoms and social relations (p<.001), and numerical cost reductions ($3.72 per day less, p=.320). Compared to non-switchers, switchers were at significantly higher risk for crisis-related events (p=.006), experienced them sooner (p=.004), and accrued higher crisis-related service costs (p<.05).

Conclusions: Although switching antipsychotics is an effective “rescue” option, it is costly in personal and economic terms. The optimal treatment strategy is to begin treatment with the antipsychotic most likely to lead to effective treatment for each individual patient.

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TARGET AUDIENCE:
Practicing clinicians, schizophrenia researchers, mental health decision makers, and advocacy groups.

REFERENCES:

MEDICATION USE PATTERNS AND COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH ATYPICAL ANTIPSYCHOTICS IN THE TREATMENT OF BIPOLAR DISORDER
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize how atypicals antipsychotics differ in their medication use patterns and costs associated with the use of atypical antipsychotics in the treatment of bipolar disorder.

SUMMARY:
Objective: The objective of this study was to determine the medication use patterns and costs associated with atypical antipsychotics in the treatment of bipolar disorder.

Method: Data for this retrospective study were obtained from private payer administrative claims. Bipolar patients were identified based on 1 inpatient or 2 outpatient diagnoses of bipolar disorder. Those who initiated on olanzapine, risperidone, quetiapine, or ziprasidone during 2003, had not used the initiated medication during the prior 3-months, and met eligibility criteria in prior 6-months and post 1-year were included.

Results: Among the 1516 bipolar patients in this study, olanzapine (N=507) was more likely to be initiated as the primary bipolar medication (50.9%) than risperidone (39.9%, N=424), quetiapine (36.1%, N=463) or ziprasidone (25.4%, N=122). During the post 1-year, olanzapine was used as the only primary bipolar medication for more days (73.5) than risperidone (53.7), quetiapine (56.3), and ziprasidone (36.6). Overall, olanzapine and risperidone initiated patients incurred lower total annual costs ($15208 & $14216 respectively) than quetiapine ($18087) and ziprasidone ($18729) initiated patients.

Conclusion: Among the atypical antipsychotics studied, olanzapine was used more often as a primary bipolar medication while quetiapine and ziprasidone were used more in conjunction with other bipolar medication for bipolar disorder.

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TARGET AUDIENCE:
Practicing clinicians, schizophrenia researchers, mental health decision makers, and advocacy groups.

REFERENCES:
POSTER SESSION 2
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EFFICACY, SAFETY, AND TOLERABILITY IN THE TREATMENT OF SCHIZOPHRENIA, DEMENTIA, AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISORDERS

Poster 49 Thursday, October 5 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

PALIPERIDONE EXTENDED-RELEASE IN PATIENTS WITH SCHIZOPHRENIA PREVIOUSLY TREATED WITH RISPERIDONE
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this presentation, participants should be able to describe the efficacy and safety of the investigational drug paliperidone extended-release during the treatment of adults with schizophrenia who had prior treatment with risperidone.

SUMMARY:
Objective: To assess the effects of paliperidone extended-release (ER) tablets in subjects with acute symptoms of schizophrenia who received prior treatment with risperidone.

Method: Pooled data from an intent-to-treat (ITT) subpopulation from three 6-week, double-blind, placebo-controlled trials were evaluated. Subjects included in this exploratory analysis were randomized to fixed doses of paliperidone ER 3–12mg/day or placebo and had received oral risperidone within 2 weeks prior to randomization.

Results: 285 subjects (paliperidone ER n=207, placebo n=78) met the inclusion criteria. Baseline characteristics were similar to the pooled ITT population. The median duration of prior risperidone was 95 days; median risperidone dose was 4.0mg/day. The completion rate was 59.9% for paliperidone ER and 41.0% for placebo. Significant improvement on PANSS total score were observed with paliperidone ER vs placebo (−15.1±19.9, −4.7±23.5 [P<0.001]). Personal and Social Performance scores improved for paliperidone ER vs placebo (+8.0±14.2, −2.2±16.1 [P<0.001]). AEs in ≤10% of subjects were (paliperidone ER vs placebo); headache (13.0% vs 14.1%), agitation (6.8% vs 11.5%), insomnia (11.6% vs 15.4%), and anxiety (6.3% vs 11.5%).

Conclusions: Paliperidone ER appeared effective in improving acute symptoms of schizophrenia and personal and social performance in subjects previously treated with risperidone.

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TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinical psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

Poster 50 Thursday, October 5 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

PALIPERIDONE EXTENDED-RELEASE IN SEVERELY ILL PATIENTS WITH SCHIZOPHRENIA
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to discuss the efficacy of paliperidone extended-release (paliperidone ER) tablets, an investigational psychotropic, in patients with particularly severe symptoms of schizophrenia.

SUMMARY:
Objective: To evaluate the efficacy of paliperidone extended-release (ER) in subjects with marked to severe symptoms of schizophrenia.

Methods: This post-hoc analysis used data pooled from three 6-week, double-blind, placebo-controlled
studies. Subjects with baseline Positive and Negative Syndrome Scale (PANSS) scores ≥105 were included, reflecting marked to severe illness. Subjects received fixed doses of paliperidone ER 3–12 mg/day or placebo. Assessments included PANSS, Clinical Global Impressions-Severity scale (CGI-S), Personal and Social Performance scale (PSP), Simpson-Angus Rating Scale (SAS), and adverse events (AEs).

Results: 217 subjects were included. Mean baseline PANSS total scores were 111.4 ± 5.74 for paliperidone ER and 110.9 ± 4.27 for placebo. At endpoint, significant improvements (P<0.05) were observed compared with placebo in mean PANSS total (−26.65 vs −5.74), CGI-S (−1.17 vs −0.14), and PSP (+11.46 vs −3.05) scores. Significant improvements were also seen on all PANSS factor scores compared to placebo (P<0.05). Changes in SAS were not statistically different from placebo. Most common AEs with paliperidone ER and placebo included headache (17.0% vs 8.6%), agitation (6.1% vs 12.9%), and insomnia (14.3% vs 14.3%).

Conclusions: These results suggest that paliperidone ER treatment is effective and well-tolerated in improving clinical symptoms and functioning in markedly to severely ill schizophrenia subjects.

TARGET AUDIENCE: Clinical psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

Poster 52 Thursday, October 5
3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

PALIPERIDONE EXTENDED-RELEASE TABLETS IN RECENTLY DIAGNOSED PATIENTS WITH SCHIZOPHRENIA
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this presentation, the participant should be able to discuss the direct and indirect effects of the investigational psychotropic, paliperidone extended-release (ER) tablets, on negative symptoms in patients with schizophrenia.

SUMMARY:
Objective: Investigational paliperidone extended-release (ER) tablets significantly reduced negative symptoms in three double-blind, placebo-controlled studies of subjects with schizophrenia. This post-hoc analysis evaluates direct and indirect effects of paliperidone ER on negative symptoms, using a path analytical approach.

Methods: Data were pooled from three 6-week, double-blind, placebo-controlled studies in 937 paliperidone ER-treated subjects with schizophrenia experiencing an acute exacerbation. Regression analyses explored the relationship between demographic and clinical characteristics, including Personal and Social Performance (PSP) scale scores and negative symptoms. Path analysis was used to determine direct/indirect effects of paliperidone ER on negative symptom change. Factors evaluated as indirect modulators were changes in positive and depressive symptoms per PANSS and movement disorders per SAS.

Results: Regression models found that duration of paliperidone ER exposure and change in PSP score were significantly (P<0.001) associated with change in negative symptoms. Path analysis indicated that up to 33% of negative symptom improvement was a direct effect of treatment. Indirect effects were mediated through change in positive (51%) and depressive (18%) symptoms. Changes in movement disorder ratings had a 2.1% inverse effect on negative symptoms.

Conclusions: Post-hoc path analysis suggests that paliperidone ER has direct and indirect effects on the negative symptoms of schizophrenia.

TARGET AUDIENCE: Clinical Psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this presentation, the participant should be able to discuss the impact of the investigational psychotropic, paliperidone extended-release (ER) tablets, on symptoms and functioning in schizophrenia patients who entered the study within five years of initial schizophrenia diagnosis.

SUMMARY:

Objective: Early pharmacotherapy in patients recently diagnosed with schizophrenia may improve long-term outcomes. The efficacy and safety of treatment with paliperidone extended-release (ER) tablets within 5 years of diagnosis was investigated.

Methods: Data for this post-hoc analysis were pooled from three 6-week, double-blind, placebo-controlled studies of investigational paliperidone ER (3–12 mg/day) in subjects experiencing an acute exacerbation of schizophrenia. Subjects diagnosed in the 5 years preceding study entry were included in the analysis. Assessments included the Positive and Negative Syndrome Scale (PANSS), Clinical Global Impressions-Severity (CGI-S) scale, Personal and Social Performance (PSP) scale, the Simpson-Angus Rating Scale (SAS), and adverse events (AEs).

Results: Among 384 subjects identified, mean time since diagnosis was 2.8 years for both the paliperidone ER and placebo groups. At endpoint, mean PANSS total scores, CGI-S scores, and PSP scores improved significantly (P<0.05) in paliperidone ER compared to placebo-treated subjects. A small but statistically significant change in SAS scores was seen compared to the placebo group. AEs in 10% of subjects taking paliperidone ER included headache (11.6% vs 10.0% with placebo) and insomnia (15.5% vs 22.0% with placebo).

Conclusions: This post-hoc analysis suggests that paliperidone ER significantly improves symptoms and functioning for recently diagnosed subjects with schizophrenia.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Clinical psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

Conclusions: Paliperidone ER was effective and well-tolerated in subjects with predominant negative symptoms, with notable improvement in negative symptoms and functioning.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinical psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

Poster 54 Thursday, October 5 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH REMISSION IN SCHIZOPHRENIA WITH LONG-ACTING RISPERIDONE
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this presentation, the participant should be able to recognize the relationship between different patient variables and the expectation for achieving remission in patients with schizophrenia receiving long-acting risperidone.

SUMMARY:
Objective: To explore variables associated with fulfilling remission criteria in patients with schizophrenia receiving risperidone long-acting injectable (RLAI).

Methods: This post-hoc analysis examined the intent-to-treat population (N=323) in a 1-year study of RLAI (25 or 50 mg IM every 2 weeks) in patients with schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder. At entry, patients were clinically stable, with no psychiatric hospitalizations for ≤4 months, and on a stable dose of oral antipsychotic for ≤4 weeks. In this analysis, remission was defined by symptom severity and duration criteria (Andreasen, 2005). Correlation and regression analyses explored the relationship between meeting remission and baseline demographic and clinical variables.

Results: Significant correlations were noted between meeting remission criteria during the study and baseline scores on the PANSS disorganized-thought factor (Pearson coefficient=−0.20; P<0.001), insight (−0.14; P=0.0121), PSP total score (0.24; P<0.001), some LOF items, and some cognitive domains. The multiple logistic model identified a significant relationship between meeting remission and the baseline factors: sex (odds ratio [OR]=0.50; P=0.052); PANSS disorganized-thought factor score (OR=0.92; P=0.038) and LOF item 7 (OR=1.57; P=0.045).

Conclusion: These findings suggest that female sex, lower PANSS disorganized-thought factor score, and higher overall functioning are associated with achieving remission in stable patients receiving RLAI.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinical psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

Poster 55 Thursday, October 5 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

TREATMENT OF TARDIVE DYSKINESIA WITH GALANTAMINE
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should become aware of the cholinergic deficit hypothesis of tardive dyskinesia; and be able to discuss the evidence on use of cholinesterase inhibitors in tardive dyskinesia.
Objective: Recent evidence suggests that tardive dyskinesia (TD) may result from antipsychotic-induced damage to striatal cholinergic neurons. To test whether cholinesterase inhibitors might compensate for diminished cholinergic activity, we conducted a 30-week randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled crossover trial of galantamine in patients with TD. Method: After a 2-week baseline period, 35 male schizophrenic patients, on stable doses of antipsychotics, were randomized to receive galantamine (8-24 mg) or placebo for 12-weeks separated by a 4-week washout period. Patients were evaluated bi-weekly for changes in extrapyramidal symptoms, and before and after each treatment for effects on psychiatric symptoms and cognition. Results: Galantamine showed a trend toward reduced mean AIMS scores compared with placebo (p = 0.08). Furthermore, patients initially randomized to galantamine showed a reversal of AIMS scores after switching to placebo. SAS ratings of parkinsonism were significantly higher with galantamine than placebo (p < 0.0005), and correlated with age. There were no significant differences between groups in akathisia, cognition or psychiatric symptoms. More patients dropped out while receiving galantamine, but this did not significantly influence the results. Conclusions: In contrast to previous reports, reductions in TD associated with galantamine were not significant compared with placebo in this trial. However, galantamine was associated with an apparent delayed rebound in dyskinesia scores after discontinuation, and clinically minor but statistically higher ratings of parkinsonism. These findings support the need for further investigations of cholinergic mechanisms underlying TD, and the effect of cholinesterase inhibitors in combination with antipsychotics on extrapyramidal function in susceptible patients.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists, psychopharmacologists, neurologists, geriatricians, and psychiatric residents

REFERENCES:

OBSERVATIONAL STUDY OF INTRAMUSCULAR OLanzAPINE IN THE TREATMENT OF ACUTE AGITATION IN PATIENTS WITH BIPOLAR MANIA/ MIXED MANIA OR SCHIZOPHRENIA/ SCHIZOAFFECTIVE DISORDERS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, participants will have an understanding of the efficacy of IM olanzapine in usual clinical practice treatment of severely agitated patients with bipolar 1 disorder (manic or mixed-episode) or schizophrenia/schizoaffective disorders.

SUMMARY:
The objective of this open-label, multicenter, 1-week observational study was to evaluate IM olanzapine treatment in acutely agitated patients (n=74) with bipolar 1 disorder (manic or mixed-episode (n=22), or schizophrenia/schizoaffective disorder (n=52), who were hospitalized inpatients or presented to emergency departments. Agitation assessed with the Positive and Negative Syndrome Scale-Excited Component (PANSS-EC) at baseline and during the first 2 hours of treatment. Categorical response was a rating of mild or less (≤3) on each item (tension, uncooperativeness, hostility, impulsivity, and excitement) of the PANSS-EC. Sedation was assessed by the Agitation Calmness Evaluation Scale.

Results: Two hours after first injection of olanzapine (mean dose = 9.9 mg), agitation was significantly reduced by 19.2 ± 0.98 points (p <.001) from baseline (mean=29.0) with a mean level of sedation consistent with mild calmness. Over 90% of the patients required only one injection in the first 24 hours, and 50% of patients had a categorical response within 30 min. Treatment-emergent adverse events that occurred in 4% of patients included insomnia (9.5%), arthralgia (7.9%), and headache (6.3%).

Conclusions: Severely agitated patients responded rapidly to usual clinical practice treatment with a single injection of intramuscular olanzapine without excessive sedation or serious treatment-emergent adverse events.

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TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists who practice in psychiatric emergency settings and acute care psychiatric facilities.

REFERENCES:

Poster 57 Thursday, October 5
3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

OSMOTIC-CONTROLLED RELEASE ORAL DELIVERY SYSTEM: USE IN CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM DISORDERS
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should have an understanding of the evolution of OROS delivery technology, its application to several therapeutic areas, in particular central nervous disorders, and the impact of the technology on treatment outcome.

SUMMARY:
The osmotic-controlled-release oral delivery system, OROS®, is an advanced drug-delivery technology used for once-daily pharmacotherapy. This literature review considers its evolution and impact on treatment outcome in several therapeutic areas, focusing on central nervous system (CNS) disorders.

A Medline/EMBASE search used keywords ‘OROS’ and ‘osmotic delivery’ for January 1990-June 2005. Data were also obtained from the manufacturers’ website and associated publications.

Among marketed products, OROS technology is employed in four therapeutic areas: cardiovascular medicine, endocrinology, urology and CNS. CNS drugs include OROS methylphenidate, shown to be well tolerated and effective in the treatment of pediatric attention deficit hyperactivity disorder. OROS methylphenidate employs the advanced trilayer formulation to maintain efficacy for 12 hours. Paliperidone extended-release tablet (paliperidone ER), an investigational psychotropic, uses the trilayer formulation to ensure a gradual rise in plasma concentrations, and minimal fluctuations in levels at steady state. Paliperidone ER has been shown to be efficacious and generally well tolerated in three 6-week schizophrenia trials. OROS hydromorphone, under development for the management of chronic pain, uses the push-pull osmotic delivery system for steady drug release over a 24-hour period.

OROS delivery technology can result in stable drug levels, once-daily dosing and the use of an effective starting dose without the need for dose titration for safety.

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Poster 58 Thursday, October 5
3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

EFFECTIVITY OF ORAL OLANZAPINE ON AGGRESSIVENESS IN ACUTELY PSYCHOTIC PATIENTS
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to determine that olanzapine prescribed in orally disintegrating tablets can reduce hostile/aggressive behavior in schizophrenic or manic acute inpatients.

SUMMARY:
Objective: Antipsychotics are known to reduce aggressive behavior in schizophrenia. This naturalistic, open study evaluated the effectiveness of olanzapine in the treatment of aggressive or hostile behavior in acutely ill schizophrenic or manic inpatients. Orally disintegrating tablets were used to achieve a faster response, and facilitate compliance.

Method: Inclusion criteria were a diagnosis of schizophrenia, schizoaffective, or manic episode, 18–65 years old, and scoring 3 or higher in the hostility/aggressiveness scale. Treatment was initiated in the first 24 hours after admission.

Results: From 48 inpatients included in the study, 44 completed follow-up. Mean onset of illness was 8.87 years before entering the study. Mean daily dose was
19.06 mg. After 5 days, we obtained a mean reduction of 12.15 points in the BPRS agitation subscale (64% reduction), and of 3.63 points in the hostility/aggressiveness scale (82% reduction). We also obtained a reduction of 1.35 points in the CGI (27% of the mean baseline score).

**Conclusion:** We conclude that olanzapine prescribed in orally disintegrating tablets for aggressive/hostile schizophrenic or manic acute inpatients can substantially reduce hostile/aggressive behavior during the initial treatment period of five days.

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**REFERENCES:**

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**Educational Objectives:**
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to discuss the clinical and economic impact of risperidone long-acting injection in a U.S. based veterans population.

**Summary:**
Objective: Examine hospitalization rates and resource utilization in schizophrenia patients following initiation of risperidone long-acting injection (RLAI) in a US-based veterans population.

**Methods:** Healthcare claims data (2003–2006) were analyzed from adult schizophrenia patients in the Ohio Veterans Affairs (VA) Healthcare System (VISN10). Eligible patients had continuous enrollment and 44 injections of RLAI. Primary analyses were psychiatric-related hospitalizations and other healthcare resource use for an equal period prior to and following initiation of RLAI. Statistical analyses included descriptive statistics and paired t-tests to compare psychiatric-related hospitalizations during the pre- and post-RLAI periods.

**Results:** 106 patients in VISN10 were eligible. Patients were 52.0±10.2 years old, 93% male and 58% White. Mean duration on RLAI was 309±196 days and patients received a mean of 14±9.7 doses. While patients were on RLAI, the mean number of psychiatric hospitalizations decreased from 1.9±2.0 to 1.1±1.8 (P<0.001); mean psychiatric-related inpatient days per month decreased from 5.1±6.1 to 2.0±3.8 days (P<0.001); while the mean psychiatric-related outpatient visits per month increased from 3.9±3.5 to 5.0±3.6 visits (P<0.001).

**Conclusions:** Results from this study suggest that VA patients with schizophrenia treated with RLAI have fewer hospitalizations and psychiatric-related inpatient days per month compared with their previous experience on other treatments.

**Target Audience:**
Clinical psychiatrists.

**References:**
EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to discuss the efficacy of acamprosate across pivotal trials using various definitions of response in the context of other CNS pharmacotherapies.

SUMMARY:
Background: Despite availability of pharmacologic options for the treatment of alcohol dependence, the use of such agents lags behind that for other CNS disorders which report NNTs in the range of 3–7. Acamprosate is indicated for the maintenance of abstinence from alcohol in the treatment of alcohol dependence in combination with psychosocial support. Multiple placebo-controlled clinical trials have demonstrated the efficacy and safety of acamprosate in maintaining complete abstinence in alcohol-dependent patients. The current ad-hoc analyses examine the efficacy data across three pivotal trials of acamprosate using clinically relevant definitions of response.

Methods: Intent-to-treat (ITT) data from three double-blind, placebo-controlled pivotal European trials were retrospectively pooled to examine the proportion of patients who responded to treatment with acamprosate 1998 mg/day or placebo using different responder definitions. Number needed to treat (NNT) analysis was carried out using more stringent responder definitions than for other NNT analyses.

Results: 372 acamprosate and 375 placebo patients comprised the ITT population. The percentage of responders was significantly greater with acamprosate compared to placebo, using any one of the three criteria of response: patients abstinent at two thirds or more study visits (45% vs. 28%, respectively, P<.0001); patients with percent days abstinent (PDA) ≥ 90% (41% vs. 22%, P<.0001); and patients with PDA ≥ 90% and Clinical Global Impression of Improvement (CGI-I) scores of 1 (very much improved) or 2 (much improved) (36% vs. 15%, P<.0001). Depending on the specific definition of clinical response used, between 5 and 6 patients would need to be treated with acamprosate to achieve therapeutic response in one additional patient.

Conclusion: Acamprosate is an effective medication for the treatment of alcohol dependence, with a magnitude of treatment effect comparable to that of other psychopharmacologic therapies.

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TARGET AUDIENCE:
Addiction psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

Poster 61
Thursday, October 5
3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

METABOLIC IMPACT AND PSYCHIATRIC OUTCOME OF SWITCHING ANTIPSYCHOTIC THERAPY TO ARIPIPRAZOLE AFTER WEIGHT GAIN
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand and manage metabolic effects of atypical antipsychotics for patients with schizophrenia.

SUMMARY:
Objective: This study had 2 objectives - 1) an investigation of metabolic issues associated with the use of atypicals (SGAs), and 2) to determine if patients who had gained weight and were stable, would/could switch to aripiprazole, and what would happen to their weight and insulin-resistance measures.

Methods: This was an open-label, pilot study with 20 overweight patients with schizophrenia, who had stabilized on an SGA. Patients were evaluated with a standard psychiatric battery plus SSPG and OGTT metabolic tests. Following baseline evaluation, the patients were slowly tapered from their antipsychotic and started on flexible dosing of aripiprazole (15–30 mg) and evaluated monthly for four months.

Results: We enrolled 20 patients. Of these, 5 were early dropouts and 5 could not be tapered off their SGA. The remaining 10 did as well, or improved, on aripiprazole compared to their prior antipsychotic. Metabolically, 3 patients lost weight, 5 showed no change and 2 gained weight. Only 1 of 10 patients showed enhanced insulin sensitivity. No benefit on other metabolic abnormalities were seen.

Summary and Conclusions: Most overweight patients on atypicals, including clozapine and olanzapine, can be switched to aripiprazole without loss of efficacy. Insulin resistance was only marginally related with degree of obesity.
Greatest clinical benefit in patients with schizophrenia may come from identifying and aggressively treating those risk factors for CVD and type 2 diabetes rather than focusing solely on weight loss or switching from effective agents. Supported in part by funding from BMS-Otsuka and the CCRC from the NIH (to Stanford University).

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinical psychiatrists.

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Poster 62 Thursday, October 5 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
PHARMACOECONOMICS: DIVALPROEX SODIUM AND SCHIZOPHRENIA SPECTRUM DISORDERS
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should better understand the economic impact of the adjunctive use of divalproex sodium in patients with schizophrenia spectrum disorders.

SUMMARY:
Objective: Using a retrospective chart review method with the pretreatment period as a comparator, we examined economic impact as reflected in bed days of hospital care of the adjunctive use of divalproex sodium (DIV).
Method: A chart review was conducted on over 350 charts of patients identified from pharmacy records as receiving at least one prescription of DIV. Of these, 48 carried a chart diagnosis of schizophrenia spectrum disorders, and had satisfactory evaluable pre and post initiation epochs (i.e., one year before and two years after DIV).
Results: Exactly 39.6% schizophrenia 60.4% schizoaffective; 6.3% women 93.8% men. Average dose of DIV was 1452.23 mg/day (SD=695.75) Average days of hospitalization per year increased from 15.48 (SD=28.59) to 31.96 (SD=46.99) after initiating DIV—this is a statistically significant increase (p=.001). There was no difference in hospital days between year 1 and year 2 with DIV (p=0.303), or between the number of patients on antidepressants (p=0.689) and mood stabilizers (p=0.813) before and during treatment of DIV. Cost of hospitalization increased from $12,800.00/year/patient to $25,600.00.
Conclusion: This retrospective chart review analysis suggests that initiation of adjunctive DIV is either a marker for impending clinical instability or of limited therapeutic and negative economic consequences.

REFERENCES:

Poster 63 Thursday, October 5 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
DIVALPROEX MONOTHERAPY AND IN COMBINATION WITH ATYPICAL ANTIPSYCHOTICS IN THE MANAGEMENT OF AGITATION AND AGGRESSION IN PATIENTS WITH DEMENTIA
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SUMMARY:
Objective: To identify behavioral symptoms of dementia responsive to divalproex and to provide clinical guidance to physicians prescribing divalproex (Depakote ER and sprinkles) alone and in combination with atypical antipsychotics.
Background: Behavioral disturbances in dementia are common and disabling to both patient and caregiver. Pharmacotherapy studies have been primarily limited to monotherapy trials.
Methods: This was a six-week, open-label naturalistic pilot study of 12 subjects recruited from a geriatric psychiatry inpatient unit, community assisted living and
nursing home facilities. The primary outcome measure was the Cohen Mansfield Agitation Inventory (CMAI).

**Results:** Significant reductions were observed on the CMAI aggregate score at week 1 (−7.2, SE = 1.8, p<.001), week 3 (−8.2, SE = 1.8, p<.001), and week 6 (−6.5, SE=2.4, p=0.02), and in the aggression subscale at week 3 (−3.0, SE=0.9, p<.001) and week 6 (−3.1, SE=0.7, p<0.01). At week 6, physically non-aggressive (−1.3, SE=0.9, p>.05) and verbally agitated behavior (−2.1, SE = 1.6, p>0.05) were not significantly improved.

There was no significant difference in CMAI change and adverse events in divalproex alone vs. in combination with atypical antipsychotic.

At week 6, the dose of divalproex ranges from 250mg/day to 1250mg/day, and the mean dose and serum level of divalproex are lower for subjects on atypicals (607mg/day and 44.9mg/L) tough the differences are not significant.

**Safety:** Divalproex was well tolerated with somnolence (3/12), gait disturbance (1/12) reported as adverse events at week 6 in 12 patients.

**Conclusions:** Interim results suggest divalproex may selectively help treat the physical aggression associated with dementia, but not verbal agitation and physical non-aggression (such as wandering). Divalproex monotherapy and in combination with atypical antipsychotics was well tolerated.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**

Geriatric/dementia psychiatrists.

**REFERENCES:**


**COMPARISON OF BODY MASS INDEX INCREASE IN VETERANS RECEIVING ANTIPSYCHOTICS MEDICATIONS**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**

After viewing this poster, the participant will be able to identify factors associated with BMI increase among veterans who receive antipsychotic medications; discuss the differences in odds ratios for BMI increase among users of different antipsychotic medications; and recognize clinically significant increases in BMI among users of antipsychotic medications.

**SUMMARY:**

We used a VA database to examine factors associated with weight gain among veterans whose first antipsychotic prescription in that VA network was between 10/1/03 and 5/30/05. Bivariate analyses and logistic regression were used to evaluate the relationship between increase BMI ≤ 7% and factors such as antipsychotic dose, mental health diagnosis and concomitant diagnoses of diabetes mellitus.

BMI increase was more likely to occur in patients receiving olanzapine (X²=23.89, DF=5, p=0.0002); olanzapine, aripiprazole or ziprasidone patients were more likely to have a psychotic diagnosis (X²=117.39, DF=5, p<.0001) and be dosed within the VA guideline-recommended range (X²=691.79, DF=10, p<.0001). Aripiprazole or ziprasidone patients were more likely to have a concomitant diagnosis of diabetes (X²=19.80, DF=5, p=.0014). In a logistic regression model, olanzapine, higher antipsychotic dose and psychotic diagnosis were associated with risk of increased BMI (OR=1.92, 95% CI=1.01–3.634, OR=1.001, 95% CI=1.00–1.001, OR=1.39, 95% CI=1.12–1.72 respectively). Diabetes was associated with less risk of BMI increase (OR = .67, 95%CI=0.52–0.86 respectively).

Olanzapine, dose and psychotic diagnosis were associated with increased BMI; patients with diabetes were less likely to have BMI increase. These findings may represent prescribing patterns that minimize adverse effects of 2nd generation antipsychotics rather than identifying factors associated with BMI.

**REFERENCES:**


Poster 65 Thursday, October 5 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

DELAYING SYMPTOM RECURRENCE IN SCHIZOPHRENIA PATIENTS WITH PALIPERIDONE EXTENDED-RELEASE
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should have an understanding of the effectiveness of the investigational drug, paliperidone extended-release tablets, in delaying the recurrence of symptoms of acute schizophrenia.

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should have an understanding of the onset of therapeutic effect, efficacy, and safety of the investigational drug, paliperidone extended-release tablets.

SUMMARY:

REFERENCES:

ment option, within 4 days, for patients with acute schizophrenia with an early onset of action.

Johnson & Johnson Pharmaceutical Services, LLC and Johnson & Johnson Pharmaceutical Research and Development.

REFERENCES:

Poster 67 Thursday, October 5 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
OLANZAPINE, QUETIAPINE, AND RISPERIDONE IN FIRST-EPILOGUE SCHIZOPHRENIA
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand the similarities and differences between olanzapine, quetiapine, and risperidone in the treatment of first-episode schizophrenia based on the rates of all-cause treatment discontinuation and secondary outcome measures in this study.

SUMMARY:
Objective: Compare the effectiveness of olanzapine, quetiapine, and risperidone in a subset of first-episode patients with schizophrenia from the CAFE study.
Methods: Post-hoc analysis of 224 patients with schizophrenia (18 years of age) included in a 52-week, randomized, double-blind, flexible-dose study of first-episode patients with psychosis randomized to olanzapine (2.5–20 mg/d), quetiapine (100–800 mg/d), or risperidone (0.5–4 mg/d). Non-inferiority between quetiapine and olanzapine or risperidone in all-cause treatment discontinuation rates up to 52 weeks (primary outcome measure) was tested using a 20% non-inferiority margin.
Results: Patients received mean modal doses of 11.1, 514.1, or 2.5 mg/d of olanzapine, quetiapine, or risperidone, respectively. All-cause treatment discontinuation rates did not differ significantly between quetiapine (65.3%) and olanzapine (66.3%) or risperidone (76.4%). Psychopathology rating scale scores indicated symptom improvements for all treatments at Week 52, with no significant differences between groups. Treatment groups differed in their safety and tolerability profiles.
Conclusions: Olanzapine, quetiapine, and risperidone, at mean modal doses of 11.1, 514.1, or 2.5 mg/d, demonstrated similar effectiveness in the treatment of first-episode schizophrenia.
The CAFE research program was coordinated by the University of North Carolina. Funding for this academic center was provided by AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals LP.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

Poster 68 Thursday, October 5 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
PALIPERIDONE EXTENDED-RELEASE: SYMPTOM SEVERITY/SOCIAL FUNCTIONING-MEDIATION ANALYSIS
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this presentation, the participant should be able to discuss the effect of paliperidone extended release treatment on symptom severity and social functioning.

SUMMARY:
Both symptom severity and social function can improve with treatment, however, the association does not imply complete causality. A post-hoc analysis of pooled data from three paliperidone extended-release (ER) RCTs investigated the mediating role of the Positive and Negative Syndrome Scale (PANSS), a measure of symptom severity, on the relationship between treatment and the Personal and Social Performance scale (PSP), a measure of social functioning.
Two equivalent statistical formulations were used. One showed that the change in PANSS was only a partial mediator of the effect of paliperidone ER upon
the change in PSP; similarly, the other demonstrated that the change in PANSS was not a complete surrogate variable for the change in PSP in assessing the effect of paliperidone. Analysis of covariance was used to assess the mediation effect. The conditional treatment effect was assessed by an overall treatment F-statistic and by a 1-degree-of-freedom contrast between placebo and the paliperidone ER dose groups.

Significant effects of paliperidone ER on the change in both PANSS total score and PSP score was demonstrated (p<0.001). The mediation analysis demonstrated a statistically significant positive effect of paliperidone ER on social functioning (PSP), which was over and above and independent from the effect on symptoms (PANSS) (p<0.02). This research relates to an investigational pharmaceutical product.

This project was funded by Johnson & Johnson Pharmaceutical Services, Division of Janssen Pharmaceutica, Beerse, Belgium and Johnson & Johnson Pharmaceutical Research and Development, Titusville, U.S.

REFERENCES:

Poster 69 Thursday, October 5 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
COMPARATIVE EFFECTS OF ZIPRASIDONE AND OLANZAPINE ON MARKERS OF INSULIN RESISTANCE: RESULTS OF A SIX-WEEK, RANDOMIZED STUDY IN PATIENTS WITH ACUTE SCHIZOPHRENIA
Supported by Pfizer Inc.

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to see that olanzapine, not ziprasidone, was associated with a change in sensitive markers of insulin resistance.

SUMMARY:
Objective: To highlight the importance of insulin resistance as a medical risk factor in patients with schizophrenia and to show the differing effects of ziprasidone and olanzapine on laboratory markers of insulin resistance.

Methods: Changes in TG:HDL-C ratio and serum insulin levels were analyzed using data from a randomized, double-blind, 6-week trial of patients treated with ziprasidone or olanzapine.

Results: At baseline, median TG:HDL-C ratios were similar in both drug cohorts (ziprasidone, 2.67; olanzapine, 2.91). At end point there was a significant increase in median TG:HDL-C ratios for olanzapine- (0.60; P = 0.0001) but not ziprasidone-treated patients (0.13; P = 0.435). After adjustment for baseline differences, the increase in TG:HDL-C ratio was significantly greater for patients randomized to olanzapine than for patients randomized to ziprasidone (P = 0.006). Median change in serum insulin levels from baseline was also significant for the olanzapine group (3.30 μU/mL; P <0.0001) but not the ziprasidone group (0.25 μU/mL; P = 0.328).

Conclusions: Olanzapine, but not ziprasidone, was associated with a change in sensitive markers of insulin resistance. These findings are consistent with the American Diabetes Association/American Psychiatric Association Consensus Statement citing a greater risk for diabetes and hyperlipidemia during treatment with olanzapine than with ziprasidone.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists, primary care physicians, physician assistants, and nurse practitioners.

REFERENCES:

Poster 70 Thursday, October 5 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
WEIGHT EFFECTS ASSOCIATED WITH ZIPRASIDONE: A COMPREHENSIVE DATABASE REVIEW
Supported by Pfizer Inc.

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this presentation, the participants will have a greater understanding of the long-term effects of ziprasidone on weight gain and loss.

SUMMARY:
Objective: Weight gain and obesity are associated with increased risk for cardiovascular disease and diabetes. Some antipsychotics produce significant weight gain. We examined ziprasidone’s clinical trial database to characterize weight change in 21 placebo- or active-controlled studies.

Methods: Post-hoc integrated analyses were performed. Subjects (N=3391) were classified into three groups: weight unchanged (within 7% of baseline), weight increased or decreased (>7% of baseline).

Results: In short- and long-term studies, the incidence of weight increase observed in the ziprasidone (9.1% and 15% of subjects, respectively) or haloperidol (9.6% and 33%) groups was not significantly different from placebo (4.3% and 10%). Olanzapine (48% and 53%) and risperidone (17% and 38%) had significantly greater incidences of weight increase. At 12 months, weight remained unchanged for 57% ziprasidone-treated subjects, 28% had >7% weight loss, and 15% had >7% weight gain. Overall, no relationship was observed between the distribution of weight change and ziprasidone dose, treatment duration, or gender.

Conclusions: This comprehensive analysis confirms that ziprasidone is associated with an overall weight neutral profile, and with some evidence for weight loss in long-term treatment.

REFERENCES:

ANALYSIS OF REMISSION IN A SIX-MONTH, DOUBLE-BLIND CONTINUATION STUDY OF ZIPRASIDONE VERSUS OLANZAPINE
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to emphasize the importance of using remission as a clinically relevant outcome variable, and to assess remission rates in a long-term trial of ziprasidone and olanzapine in patients with schizophrenia.

SUMMARY:
Objective: To assess rates of remission in patients with schizophrenia treated with ziprasidone and olanzapine in a 6-month, double-blind continuation study.

Methods: Data were drawn from a 6-month, double-blind controlled extension trial of olanzapine and ziprasidone in the treatment of an acute exacerbation of schizophrenia. The primary definition of remission was based on the BPRS criteria proposed by the Remission in Schizophrenia Working Group, as BPRS was the primary outcome measure for the study. A secondary definition of remission was based on the PANSS criteria proposed by the same group.

Results: At 6 months, evaluable data were available for 25 (44.6%) ziprasidone- and 28 (42.4%) olanzapine-treated patients. Of these, 80% of the ziprasidone patients and 46.4% of the olanzapine patients met BPRS remission criteria for 6 months (P=0.02). Using PANSS criteria, 64% of patients on ziprasidone and 50% of patients on olanzapine were in remission for 6 months (P=0.41).

Conclusions: In this analysis from a controlled, 6-month trial of continuation treatment of an acute exacerbation of schizophrenia, ziprasidone-treated patients achieved higher remission rates at the 6-month study endpoint than did olanzapine-treated patients. Further study is needed to better characterize the relationship of remission to cognitive improvement and functional capacity.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

IMPACT OF FOOD ON ABSORPTION OF ZIPRASIDONE
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand the effect of food on the pharmacokinetic profile of ziprasidone.

SUMMARY:
Background: Current recommendations for ziprasidone include dosing with food (1). These studies examine the impact of food on the absorption of ziprasidone.

Methods: The impact of food on absorption of ziprasidone across a range of 3 clinically relevant doses (20, 40, and 80 mg single doses) was evaluated in both fasting and fed states. A separate study explored the impact of fat content on ziprasidone absorption using a 40 mg steady state regimen administered under 3 separate conditions: fasting, with an FDA standard meal (60% fat content), and with a lower fat meal (30% fat content). The increase in AUC with dose was nonlinear in the fasting state but linear in the fed. Decreasing the fat content of the meal (using the 40 mg dose) had modest impact on AUC0−inf with dose was nonlinear in the fasting state and fed states. A separate study explored the impact of food on the absorption of ziprasidone. Compared with the fasting state, there was a 100% increase in AUC for the high-fat meal content), and with a lower fat meal (30% fat content).

Results: The AUC0−inf was greater in the fed state than in the fasting state at each dose tested (20 mg, +48%; 40 mg, +87%; 80 mg, +101%). The increase in AUC0−inf with dose was nonlinear in the fasting state but linear in the fed. Decreasing the fat content of the meal (using the 40 mg dose) had modest impact on ziprasidone absorption. Compared with the fasting state, there was a 100% increase in AUC for the high-fat meal and an 80% increase for the moderate-fat meal.

Conclusions: These results demonstrate that the administration of ziprasidone with meals is crucial for effective medication absorption.

REFERENCE:

Poster 73 Thursday, October 5 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

PALIPERIDONE EXTENDED-RELEASE TABLETS: EFFECTS ON SLEEP IN SCHIZOPHRENIA
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should have an understanding of the effects of investigational paliperidone extended-release tablets on changes in sleep architecture in patients with schizophrenia-related insomnia, and patient-rated changes in quality of sleep and daytime drowsiness in patients with acute schizophrenia.

SUMMARY:
Investigational paliperidone extended-release tablets (paliperidone ER) have been examined for effects on sleep in schizophrenia in two independent datasets. In dataset 1, effects on schizophrenia-related insomnia were evaluated (multicenter, double-blind, 3-week, randomized, placebo-controlled study; stable schizophrenia; paliperidone ER 9 mg/placebo daily). In dataset 2, patient-rated Visual Analog Scale changes in quality of sleep/daytime drowsiness were investigated (pooled analysis; three 6-week double-blind, controlled studies; acute schizophrenia; paliperidone ER 3–15 mg/placebo daily).

Analysis of dataset 1 (n=36; mean±SD age=32.2±7.3; baseline PANSS=62.9±11.2) showed that paliperidone ER produced relevant, statistically significant (2-sided, 10% level) improvements in sleep versus placebo: decreased latency to persistent sleep (−26.1±64.4 versus 14.9±47.3 minutes) and sleep onset latency (−22.5±52.2 versus +12.8±37.2 minutes). Sleep Efficiency Index (+6.0±13.5% versus −5.0±16.2%), total sleep time (+28.5±64.4 versus −24.4±78.0 minutes), duration of Stage II sleep (+35.4±57.7 versus −15.3±48.3 minutes) and REM sleep (+7.4±27.8 versus −10.9±27.9 minutes) were enhanced without significant effects on slow-wave sleep.

Analysis of dataset 2 (n=1306; mean±SD age=38.3±10.9, baseline PANSS=93.5±11.8) showed significant improvements (2-sided, 5% level) in quality of sleep with paliperidone ER without an increase in daytime drowsiness versus placebo. Safety data will be reported in the poster. These results in schizophrenia and schizophrenia-related insomnia suggest that paliperidone ER treatment may produce favorable effects on sleep in schizophrenia.

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REFERENCES:
USE OF LEVETIRACETAM IN ASPERGER’S DISORDER SUBJECTS
Supported by Pfizer Inc.

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to demonstrate the use of levetiracetam in the treatment of subjects with Asperger’s Disorder.

SUMMARY:
Asperger’s Disorder is a syndrome consisting of severe and sustained impairment in social interaction and the development of restricted, repetitive patterns of behavior, interests, and activities. Other specific aspects include diminished social cuing, impaired non-verbal communication, and lack of emotional reciprocity, unusually restricted interests and stereotyped and repetitive motor mannerisms.

The primary objective of this study was to evaluate the effect of open label, flexible dose of levetiracetam in outpatients diagnosed with Asperger’s Disorder with The Australian Scale for Asperger’s Syndrome, Barkley ADHD Inventory (Barkley). Clinical Global Impression-Severity (CGI-S) and Clinical Global Impression-Improvement (CGI-I). Reynolds Childhood Depression Scale (RCDS) was performed for subjects 6–11, Beck Depression Inventory Youth (BDI) for subjects 12–16, and Beck Depression Inventory Adult (BDI) for subjects 17–19.

The study was a single center, 6 week, open label, flexible dosing trial examining safety, tolerability and effectiveness associated with the use of levetiracetam in children and adolescents between the ages of 6–19 years diagnosed with Asperger’s Disorder. 20 subjects were enrolled in the study.

Results: 75% of subjects demonstrated improvement of the Australian Scale for Asperger’s Syndrome. There was a 24 point improvement with a mean starting score of 102 to 78 mean ending score. 15% of subjects demonstrated worsening with a 10 point increase with a mean starting score of 97 to 107 mean ending score. 45% of subjects demonstrated improvement in attention and 50% showed improvement in hyperactivity on the Barkley ADHD Inventory. 71% of subjects demonstrated improvement on the Reynolds Childhood Depression scale, and 50% showed an improvement on the Beck Depression Inventory. Reported improvements included being more outgoing and talkative. Overall, the medication was well-tolerated.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists and other physicians.

REFERENCES:
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**TWO-YEAR METABOLIC OUTCOMES OF DOUBLE-BLIND OLANZAPINE VERSUS RISPERIDONE**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize metabolic outcomes associated with long-term treatment with olanzapine or risperidone among stable patients with schizophrenia.

**SUMMARY:**

Abstract: We randomized 101 stable outpatients with schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder to double-blind olanzapine vs risperidone, and to 2 forms of vocational rehabilitation. Participants were weighed monthly, and blood tested at baseline, 3, 6, 12, 18 and 24 months. At study entry, 37% were taking olanzapine, 34% risperidone, 12% quetiapine, 5% clozapine, and 11% first-generation antipsychotics. All cause discontinuation was 29% vs. 31% at 12 months, and 61% vs. 52% at 24 months for olanzapine vs. risperidone respectively. Olanzapine treatment was associated with a significantly greater increase in BMI relative to risperidone at 12 months only. Entering the study on a first-generation antipsychotic, or randomization to change medication, was associated with significant increase in BMI. We were unable to detect an effect of medication assignment on change in fasting glucose, HgA1c, cholesterol, LDL or triglyceride levels across the study. However, olanzapine treatment was associated with higher total cholesterol levels at 3 and 18-month assessments, and with less increase in mean HDL cholesterol levels across the study period than risperidone treatment. Our finding of relatively less weight gain and metabolic derangement than that reported in CATIE may reflect the impact of the frequent metabolic assessment schedule used in this study.

This study was funded by NIMH; a supplement from Eli Lilly supported laboratory testing.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**

Psychiatrists, nurse practitioners, and researchers.

**REFERENCES:**


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**ANTISPSYCHOTIC AND METABOLIC SCREENING: A FOUR-STATE, MEDICAID STUDY**

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**REFERENCES:**

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should recognize the prevalence of glucose and lipid monitoring associated with the usage of atypical antipsychotic medications.

SUMMARY:

Some atypical antipsychotic (AA) drugs have been associated risk of hyperglycemia and dyslipidemia, with recent recommendations that all treated patients undergo blood glucose and lipid monitoring. The prevalence of monitoring associated with AA prescription is understudied.

This retrospective cohort study used Medicaid claims data from California, Oregon, Tennessee, and Utah to evaluate 50,372 patients who received an antipsychotic drug between 1998 and 2003. Laboratory testing was identified with CPT-4 codes. Multivariate logistic regression determined likelihood of baseline glucose testing (BGT) adjusting for drug, year, and clinical characteristics. Initiation of AA treatment was associated with a 5% increase in glucose testing (p<0.001) and 2% increase in lipid testing (p<0.001) over background test levels. Combining AA-related increases plus background rate, the overall prevalence of baseline testing (~14 days/+28 days) was 18% (glucose) and 6% (lipid). Compared to risperidone, BGT was higher with olanzapine (OR=1.13, 95% CI: 1.08–1.19) and lower with ziprasidone (OR=0.84, 95% CI: 0.71–1.01). BGT was higher in 2003 vs. 1998 (OR=2.51, 95% CI: 2.24–2.81).

Metabolic screening prevalence remained low over the time period of observation. Research is needed to evaluate monitoring prevalence following FDA warnings and medical recommendations for baseline and ongoing monitoring.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Mental health policy decision makers and practicing clinicians prescribing atypical antipsychotic drugs.

REFERENCES:


Poster 79 Thursday, October 5 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

ASENAPINE EFFICACY IN ACUTE SCHIZOPHRENIA
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to compare the efficacy of asenapine versus risperidone and placebo in treating an acute exacerbation of schizophrenia.

SUMMARY:
Objective: To evaluate the efficacy of asenapine in acute schizophrenia.

Methods: In a double-blind trial, patients with acute schizophrenia were randomly assigned to 6 weeks of sublingual asenapine 5 mg twice daily plus oral placebo, oral risperidone 3 mg twice daily plus sublingual placebo, or double placebo twice daily. The primary efficacy measure was change from baseline in Positive and Negative Syndrome Scale (PANSS) total score. Secondary measures included changes on the Clinical Global Impression (CGI) severity of illness and on the PANSS positive, negative, and general psychopathology subscales.

Results: Among 58, 56, and 60 patients in the asenapine, risperidone, and placebo groups, respectively, mean change at week 6 on PANSS total score was −15.9 with asenapine versus −5.3 with placebo (P<0.005). Asenapine was also significantly better than placebo on all secondary measures. On the PANSS negative subscale, change with asenapine (−3.2) was significantly greater than with placebo (−0.6; P=0.01) or risperidone (−1.05; P<0.05).

Conclusions: Asenapine is effective in the treatment of acute schizophrenia and may represent an advance in the treatment of negative symptoms.

This study was supported by Organon USA Inc. and Pfizer Inc.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

Poster 80 Thursday, October 5 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

LONG-TERM RISPERIDONE TREATMENT AND GROWTH AND MATURATION IN CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS WITH DISRUPTIVE BEHAVIOR DISORDERS
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to discuss endocrine adverse events associated with risperidone in children and adolescents with disruptive behavior disorders; and discuss long-term effects of treatment with risperidone on growth and sexual maturation in children and adolescents with disruptive behavior disorders.

SUMMARY:
Method: Subjects (5–17 years) with diagnosis of disruptive behavior disorders (DBD) who had responded to 12 weeks of open-label (OL) risperidone entered a 6-month double-blind (DB) and a 1-year OL extension.

Results: Of the 527 patients (OL), 335 responders entered DB and received risperidone or placebo. During OL extension 115 continued on risperidone and 117 were switched to risperidone. Median risperidone dose was 0.75 mg/day (<50 kg) or 1.5 mg/day (50 kg). Subjects’ height increased during all study phases. Prolactin levels increased during OL (+403.0±414.6 mU/L) and decreased during DB (~215.0±454.3 mU/L in risperidone and ~420±415.1 mU/L in placebo). During OL
extension, levels decreased further on risperidone and increased in patients switched from placebo. Potentially prolactin-related adverse events were low across all study phases (risperidone DB = 2.9%). Testosterone levels remained stable during OL and DB in risperidone and increased slightly in placebo (+0.7±3.1 nmol/L). During OL extension, levels increased in both groups (+3.3±5.3 nmol/L and +1.5±4.2 nmol/L respectively). No potentially testosterone-related adverse events were noted.

Conclusions: Analyses of growth and development measures in children and adolescents treated with risperidone for up to 21 months suggested a normal pattern of sexual maturation and growth.

TARGET AUDIENCE: Psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

Poster 81 Thursday, October 5 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

EVALUATION OF LONG-ACTING, INJECTABLE RISPERIDONE FOR OLDER ADULT INPATIENTS WITH CHRONIC PSYCHOSIS
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize the potential role of risperidone in treating older adults considered to be unstable inpatients with psychosis.

SUMMARY:
Introduction: The treatment of the older adult patient with chronic psychosis with the long-acting formulation of risperidone in the inpatient setting has not been fully evaluated to date. The authors report a naturalistic pilot study evaluating the effectiveness of risperidone long-acting injection in such a psychiatric treatment setting.
Objective: To assess the effectiveness of long-acting injectable risperidone in an older adult inpatient population with psychosis.

Methods: This is a retrospective assessment of patients aged 50 years and older admitted to an inpatient psychiatric facility for severe and unstable psychosis. Clinical judgment prompted the initiation of the long-acting injectable form of risperidone. Per hospital policy, baseline and follow-up assessments utilizing the Positive and Negative Syndrome Scale (PANSS) was done. Physician clinical assessment of response is reflected using the Clinical Global Impression Scales for Severity and Improvement (CGI-S/I).

Results: These are the preliminary findings of twenty-five older adults who were treated with risperidone long-acting injection for at least 2 months in an inpatient setting. Schizophrenia was the diagnosis for 76% (n= 19) of the patients. Other patients were diagnosed with either bipolar disorder with psychotic features or with schizo-affective disorder. The mean age was 59.5 years (range: 50–76 yrs). The mean of the total PANSS scores at baseline was 102.5 (SD +/−26.6, range: 65–149, n= 19). The mean total PANSS scores at last follow-up was 84.1 (SD +/−25.9, range: 53–134, n=19). The difference in total PANSS scores was statistically significant (p<0.01). For the patients receiving a CGI-Improvement assessment (n=25), 56% were either much improved or very much improved at last follow-up. The mean dose of risperidone long-acting injection was 36.5 mg (n= 25). Further descriptions and sub-analyses of this evaluation will be presented.

Conclusions: Long-acting risperidone was associated with clinically and statistically significant improvements in a group of older adults considered to be unstable inpatients with psychosis.

TARGET AUDIENCE: Clinical practitioners working in inpatient settings.

REFERENCES:
ADJUNCT EXTENDED-RELEASE DIVALPROEX IN LATE-LIFE SCHIZOPHRENIA
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participants should gain familiarity with challenges in the treatment of older adults with schizophrenia.

SUMMARY:
Anticonvulsant medications in combination with antipsychotic compounds may provide benefit to some individuals with schizophrenia, however data on adjunct anticonvulsants in older adults with schizophrenia is limited. This prospective, 12-week open label study of adjunct extended-release divalproex included older adults (age 50 and older) with a diagnosis of schizophrenia confirmed by the Mini International Neuropsychiatric Inventory (MINI) who were receiving treatment with either typical or atypical antipsychotic medications. Individuals with active substance use disorders or active significant medical comorbidity were excluded. Divalproex sodium (valproate) was dosed to a target of 750–1500 mg/day. Primary outcome measures included the Positive and Negative Symptom Scale (PANSS), Geriatric Depression Scale (GDS) and Global Assessment Scale (GAS).

In this preliminary analysis, fifteen older adults (mean age 61.1 years, range 50–78 years) had significant reductions in psychosis scores (mean baseline PANSS = 78.7, SD ± 3.5, mean endpoint PANSS (LOCF) = 59.7, SD ± 16.7, p<.001), as well as in global functioning (GAS change from baseline to endpoint mean, p = .003). There was no change in depression scores. Mean dose of extended-release divalproex was 687.5 mg/day SD ± 263.8. Extended-release divalproex was well tolerated in this older adult population. The primary adverse effect was sedation, which appeared to be relatively dose and titration-speed dependent. While extended release divalproex appears efficacious and well tolerated in older adults with schizophrenia, data from larger, controlled trials is needed.

REFERENCES:

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Physicians, nurses, and other mental health clinicians.

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LAMOTRIGINE THERAPY IN THE ELDERLY WITH BIPOLAR DISORDER, EPILEPSY, OR DEMENTIA
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand elderly patient response and tolerability to lamotrigine treatment.

SUMMARY:
Objective: In spite of wide clinical use, there is a paucity of data on anticonvulsant drugs in elderly patients with psychiatric and neurological disorders. The authors conducted a systemized analysis of the literature on lamotrigine (LTG) therapy in elderly patients with BD, epilepsy, or dementia.

Methods: The search included electronic databases, meeting abstracts and presentations.

Results: Fourteen reports included controlled trials, retrospective analyses, and case studies. Reports of LTG in geriatric BD suggest improvement in depression, core manic symptoms and delay in mood relapse. Mean dose in larger samples was 182–240 mg/day. Controlled trials in geriatric epilepsy demonstrated efficacy and tolerability comparable to gabapentin. Compared to carbamazepine, there were fewer treatment withdrawals and fewer cases of somnolence or rash in the lamotrigine group. Preliminary reports in dementia note improvement in cognition, agitation and depression. While elimination of LTG can be affected by increasing age, disposi-
tion is more directly impacted by concurrent anticonvulsant therapy. There is extensive variability in LTG concentration/dose (C/D) ratios across the age-span, but as a group C/D ratios increase through adulthood.

**Conclusion:** LTG appears effective and was well tolerated in older adults with BD, epilepsy and dementia. Incidence and severity of adverse events appears similar to that established in younger patient populations.

**REFERENCES:**

**POSTER SESSIONS**

**ACAMPROSATE DECREASES THE SEVERITY AND DURATION OF RELAPSE AND AIDS IN POST-RELAPSE RECOVERY OF ABSTINENCE IN ALCOHOL-DEPENDENT PATIENTS**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize the efficacy of acamprosate in reducing relapse severity in alcohol-dependent individuals who return to drinking, as measured by quantity/frequency of alcohol consumption and duration of relapse episodes.

**SUMMARY:**
*Background:* A major goal of alcohol dependence treatment is relapse prevention. Acamprosate, with psychosocial support, is effective in aiding alcohol-dependent patients maintain abstinence and regain abstinence after relapse. In the current analysis, the effect of acamprosate on severity of relapse in patients who returned to drinking was examined and their post-relapse recovery assessed.

*Methods:* The intent-to-treat (ITT) population from three controlled pivotal trials (13, 48, and 52 weeks) receiving acamprosate 1998 mg/day (n=372) or placebo (n=375), in combination with psychosocial therapy, was evaluated on the quantity of alcohol consumption during relapse (at Days 0, 30, 60, 90, and last visit). Weekly frequency of alcohol consumption (13-week study) and duration of individual relapse episodes (48-week study) were also reported. In an ITT population subset with ≥1 documented abstinence before last study visit, the rate of complete abstinence, percent days abstinent, time to first drink, and time to complete abstinence were analyzed for post-relapse time intervals.

*Results:* Of 747 patients, 616 relapsed over the course of the studies (placebo, 89%; acamprosate, 76%). Pooled data showed that during relapse a significantly smaller proportion of acamprosate vs. placebo patients reported consuming ≤5 standard drinks/day during the interval preceding Day 30, 60, 90 and last study visit (P<.01). Acamprosate was statistically superior to placebo (P<.05) with respect to frequency of alcohol consumption during relapse (13-week study) and for relapse duration (48-week study). Post-relapse recovery, evaluated in patients who relapsed before the last study visit (n= 587), showed that a significantly greater proportion of acamprosate-treated patients, compared to placebo-treated patients, regained abstinence following initial relapse and maintained it for the remainder of the trial (13% vs. 5%, respectively; P<.01).

*Conclusions/Discussion:* In addition to helping alcohol-dependent patients maintain abstinence, acamprosate reduces relapse severity in patients who return to drinking and aids in abstinence recovery.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Addiction psychiatrists.

**REFERENCES:**

**PHARMACOGENETIC TESTING OF CYP2D6 MAY PREDICT EXTRAPYRAMIDAL REACTIONS WITH ARIPIPRAZOLE**

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize several cases of aripiprazole-induced EPS in children and adolescents; recognize that individual differences in CYP2D6 are important in the efficacy and tolerability of second-generation antipsychotics in general, and aripiprazole in particular; develop an awareness of the importance of pharmacogenetic testing as a powerful tool to predict adverse drug reactions; and incorporate pharmacogenetic considerations into medication selection and dosing.

SUMMARY:
Background: Aripiprazole is a new antipsychotic medication that has the unique mechanism of partial agonism at the dopamine D2 receptor. Because of this agonist effect, extrapyramidal reactions (EPS) other than akathisia are quite rare. We observed several cases of children who developed EPS following aripiprazole administration. Aripiprazole is metabolized by the polymorphic Cytochrome P450-2D6 (CYP2D6) enzyme. Individuals with a genetic deficiency of CYP2D6 (poor metabolizers, PMs) have an 80% increase in aripiprazole exposure and twice the elimination half-life compared to subjects with normal CYP2D6 activity (extensive metabolizers, EMs). The consequence of the PM phenotype is increased risk of adverse drug reactions at standard doses of CYP2D6 substrates. This data together with increasing numbers of reports indicating the clinical utility of pharmacogenetic testing led us to examine the CYP2D6 genotype of these patients.

Objective: To determine whether genetic deficiency of CYP2D6 contributed to increased aripiprazole exposure and development of EPS in these children.

Methods: Four consecutive children who developed EPS within 1 week of either dose titration or initial aripiprazole administration at standard doses were genotyped. The children (1 female, 3 male) aged 6–15 years, exhibited a variety of EPS including drooling, stiffness, tongue protrusion, cogwheeling, rigidity, Parkinsonism, and NMS-like reactions. These patients were not taking other medications known to interact with aripiprazole. CYP2D6 genotyping was performed in a CLIA-certified clinical laboratory using genomic DNA extracted from patient buccal swabs.

Results: Two children who developed EPS were found to be CYP2D6 poor metabolizers (no active gene copies), while the other two children were intermediate metabolizers (one active gene copy).

Conclusion: All of the children who developed EPS following aripiprazole administration were found to have a dysfunctional CYP2D6 enzyme. Pharmacogenetic testing for CYP2D6 may be useful in predicting which patients are at increased risk of aripiprazole-induced adverse drug reactions.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists, psychiatric nurses, and pharmacists.

REFERENCES:
Conclusions: Our findings suggest that in addition to reduction in acute agitation, ziprasidone IM may be associated with a more rapid improvement in psychotic symptoms than has been previously reported.

REFERENCE:

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REMISSION IN SCHIZOPHRENIA:
RESULTS FROM A 196-WEEK, DOUBLE-BLIND STUDY
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participants will have a greater understanding of the long-term effectiveness of atypical antipsychotics compared with conventional agents, including differential effects on remission and quality of life.

SUMMARY:
Objective: To compare the effectiveness of two ziprasidone dose regimens (80–160 mg/d given BID, N=72; or 80–120 mg/d given QD, N=67) with haloperidol (5–20 mg/d, N=47), in subjects who had completed a 40-week, double-blind core phase and were enrolled in this double-blind, 3-year continuation study.

Methods: Efficacy evaluation was based on recently proposed remission criteria for schizophrenia. Cross-sectional remission rates (excluding the time component) and Quality-of-Life Scale (QLS) scores over time were analyzed using Generalized Estimating Equations.

Results: Overall, 63% of subjects discontinued study medication in the continuation study. Ziprasidone treatment was associated with a greater proportion of patients meeting full remission criteria (p<0.05) in the 6 months preceding the last visit (Week 196 or early termination). Longitudinal assessment of cross-sectional remission and QLS in the continuation phase demonstrated superior improvement in the ziprasidone BID (all p<0.015) and QD (all p<0.04) groups compared with haloperidol. Significant association between remission and QLS improvement over time was observed (p<0.001).

CONCLUSIONS: In this double-blind, long-term (40-week core and 3-year continuation) study, ziprasidone was associated with continued improvement in remission and quality of life, in contrast to haloperidol.

REFERENCES:

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3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

MAINTENANCE OF RESPONSE TO MEMANTINE TREATMENT IN MODERATE TO SEVERE ALZHEIMER’S DISEASE PATIENTS RECEIVING STABLE DONEPEZIL TREATMENT
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this presentation, the participant should be able to recognize the value of maintaining memantine treatment based on measures of cognition, function, behavior, and global measures.

SUMMARY:
Objective: Memantine is a moderate affinity, uncompetitive NMDA receptor antagonist approved in the US and in Europe for the treatment of moderate to severe Alzheimer’s disease (AD). Post hoc analyses were performed using data from a previously conducted 24-week, double-blind, placebo-controlled trial of memantine (20 mg/day) in moderate to severe AD patients (N=404) treated with ongoing donepezil therapy (Tariot et al, 2004). These analyses assessed the maintenance of response on cognitive, functional, behavioral and global measures individually in a moderate to severe AD patient population.

Methods: The Severe Impairment Battery (SIB) was used to assess cognitive abilities. Functional and behavioral outcomes were measured with the Alzheimer’s Disease Cooperative Study—Activities of Daily Living (ADCS-ADL19) and Neuropsychiatric Inventory (NPI). Global status was assessed using the Clinician’s Interview-Based Impression of Change Plus Caregiver Input (CIBIC-Plus). Maintenance of response for each outcome measure was defined as either no change or improvement above baseline scores for both weeks 12 and
24. Cochran-Mantel-Haenszel tests controlling for study center were performed on the Intention-to-Treat populations (OC and LOCF).

Results: Compared to patients receiving placebo, a significantly greater percentage of memantine-treated patients who responded at week 12 maintained their response at week 24 (OC analyses) on the SIB (52% vs. 39.5%, \(P = .015\)), the ADCS-ADL 19 (36.6% vs. 25.8%, \(P = .037\)), the NPI (50.9% vs. 36.8%, \(P = .009\)), and the CIBIC-Plus for OC (48.5% vs. 37.1%, \(P = .036\)). LOCF analyses yielded similar results, however maintenance of response on the CIBIC-Plus did not reach significance (\(P = .054\)).

Conclusions: These analyses indicate that, compared to placebo, a significant proportion of patients treated with memantine showed an early treatment response that was maintained for the duration of the 6-month study on all efficacy measures. These findings support the value of maintaining memantine treatment.

REFERENCES:

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FUNCTIONING IMPROVEMENTS IN SCHIZOPHRENIA PATIENTS WITH LONG-ACTING RISPERIDONE
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand clinical characteristics of patients with schizophrenia initiated on long-acting risperidone; and understand the clinical and functional improvements for patients with schizophrenia initiated on long-acting risperidone from these interim results.

SUMMARY:
Objective: Examine interim results of an ongoing, 2-year observational study in schizophrenia patients on risperidone long-acting injection (RLAI; Risperdal® CONSTA®).

Methods: Adult schizophrenia patients requiring treatment with RLAI were eligible. Patient demographics, treatment history, Clinical Global Impressions of Severity (CGI-S), Global Assessment of Functioning (GAF), Personal and Social Performance (PSP), Strauss-Carpenter Levels of Functioning (LOF), quality of life (SF-36), and resource utilization are collected at baseline and prospectively every 3 months for 2 years.

Results: Baseline data are available for 270 patients; 6-month data are available for 53 patients. Mean age (± SD) is 44.2±12.4 years, 65.2% are male, and mean length of illness is 19.8±12.4 years. Most patients (73.0%) initiated on RLAI 25 mg. Average duration between RLAI injections is 16.5±5.6 days. Improvements from baseline to 6 months were shown: CGI-S improved from 4.5±1.3 to 3.5±1.2 (\(P<0.0001\)); mean PSP scores improved from 48.1±17.3 to 59.2±14.3 (\(P<0.0001\)); mean GAF scores improved from 48.7±15.2 to 56.6±12.9 (\(P<0.0001\)). Functioning and limited health-related quality-of-life improvements at month 6 were also observed. 10.7% of patients reported at least 1 adverse event.

Conclusions: Interim data suggest that schizophrenia patients treated with RLAI experience improvements in clinical and functional status.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinical psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:
COMPARATIVE EFFICACY AND SAFETY OF ZIPRASIDONE AND CLOZAPINE IN TREATMENT-REFRACTORY SCHIZOPHRENIA: RESULTS OF A RANDOMIZED, DOUBLE-BLIND, 18-WEEK TRAIL
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to contribute to the participant’s understanding of the safety and efficacy of difficult-to-manage patients diagnosed with schizophrenia who do not respond to, and/or are intolerant of, serial antipsychotic treatment.

SUMMARY:
Objective: To evaluate the efficacy and safety of ziprasidone and clozapine in patients with treatment-refractory schizophrenia.
Methods: This was a double-blind, parallel-group study of patients who had treatment-refractory schizophrenia (nonresponse in ≥3 adequate trials in the past 5 years) and/or were unable to tolerate antipsychotic treatment. All patients had a PANSS total score of ≥80. Following a 3- to 7-day screening period, patients were randomized to receive ziprasidone, 80–160 mg/day (n = 73) or clozapine, 250–600 mg/day (n = 74) for up to 18 weeks.

Results: In the primary ITT-LOCF analysis, the baseline-to-end point decrease in mean PANSS total score was similar for the ziprasidone (−25.0 ± 22.0; 95% CI: −30.2 to −19.8) and clozapine (−24.5 ± 22.5; 95% CI: −29.7 to −19.2) groups. Mean end point improvement was also similar with both drugs on the CDSS, CGI, and GAF. Ziprasidone-treated patients had fewer treatment-related adverse events and a significantly more favorable metabolic profile than the patients given clozapine, showing significant (P <0.05) reductions in weight, median total cholesterol, LDL cholesterol, and triglycerides.

Conclusions: In this study of treatment-refractory schizophrenia patients, ziprasidone demonstrated comparable efficacy but superior tolerability and metabolic safety in comparison with clozapine.

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REFERENCES:

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinical psychiatrists who evaluate and treat patients diagnosed with schizophrenia.

ZIPRASIDONE IN THE TREATMENT OF SCHIZOPHRENIA: EVIDENCE FOR A LINEAR DOSE-RESPONSE RELATIONSHIP
Supported by Pfizer Inc.

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to look at data that will clarify current understanding of the dose-response relationship for ziprasidone in the treatment of schizophrenia.

SUMMARY:
Objective: To examine the dose-response relationship of ziprasidone in patients with acute exacerbations of schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder.
Methods: Data were pooled from two 6-week, fixed-dose, placebo-controlled trials of ziprasidone. Patients with acute exacerbations of schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder received ziprasidone, 40 (n = 86), 80 (n = 104), 120 (n = 76), or 160 mg/day (n = 103), or placebo (n = 71). Change from baseline to end point in PANSS total score, subscales, and items, and MADRS were analyzed by group. Treatment effect size for each group was obtained and statistical testing for dose-response relationship applied.

Results: There was a significant linear dose-response relationship for PANSS total score, subscales, and items, and MADRS (subjects with baseline MADRS ≥14). Treatment effect sizes were consistently greatest in the 120–160 mg/day group. Analysis of PANSS items showed linear dose-response relationships for 28 of 30 items, with the greatest treatment effect size in the 160 mg/day group for 19 items and in the 120 mg/day group for nine items.
Conclusions: Analysis of PANSS and MADRS scores demonstrated a significant linear dose-response relationship for ziprasidone in the management of schizophrenia and schizoaffective disorder, with the largest clinical benefits observed with 160 mg/day.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

Poster 92 Thursday, October 5 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
ZIPRASIDONE IN THE TREATMENT OF SCHIZOAFFECTIVE DISORDER: DOSE-RESPONSE ANALYSIS
Supported by Pfizer Inc.

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand the dose-response relationship for ziprasidone in the treatment of schizoaffective disorder.

SUMMARY:
Background: Schizoaffective disorder is an important but understudied psychotic illness, with a potentially different treatment response compared to schizophrenia. We sought to assess the dose-response relationship for ziprasidone in the acute treatment of schizoaffective disorder.

Methods: This analysis was limited to schizoaffective disorder subjects, taken from 2 similarly designed, fixed-dose, placebo-controlled trials of ziprasidone in the treatment of acute psychotic illness. Dosage groups were ziprasidone 40 mg/day (n=29), 80 mg/day (n=24), 120 mg/day (n=21), 160 mg/day (n=25), and placebo (n=50). Change from baseline to endpoint in PANSS total, CGI-S, and MADRS were analyzed by dosage group.

Treatment effect size (Cohen's $d$) for each group was obtained and statistical testing for dose response was applied.

Results: A significant linear dose-response relationship was found for PANSS total ($F$ statistic 14.35 ($P=0.0002$)). Treatment effects were consistently greatest in the 160 mg/day group (effect sizes of 1.0, 1.1, and 0.77 for PANSS total, CGI-S, and MADRS, respectively).

Conclusion: The results of these analyses suggest that ziprasidone is associated with a linear dose response with the largest clinical benefits observed at 160 mg/day.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists, primary care physicians, clinical nurse specialists and nurse practitioners, physician assistants, and pharmacists.

REFERENCE:

Poster 93 Thursday, October 5 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
DO FIRST-EPISTODE SCHIZOPHRENIA PATIENTS ACCEPT A RECOMMENDATION OF A LONG-ACTING ANTIPSYCHOTIC?
Supported by Janssen Pharmaceutica, Inc.

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to learn that it is possible to use a strategy of long-acting atypical antipsychotic for the majority of first episode patients who accept a recommendation of maintenance antipsychotic therapy after their acute episode has responded.

SUMMARY:
Overview: Clinicians generally limit the use of long acting, “depot” antipsychotics to persistently ill patients. A long-acting atypical antipsychotic has theoretical advantages for first-episode schizophrenia patients,
who have the very high rates of nonadherence, and tend to have the most to lose from an otherwise preventable relapse. One important question is whether a long-acting injection would be accepted by first-episode patients when it is recommended in an informed, voluntary manner.

Methods: First-episode patients were invited into a two phase study. Phase I was a diagnostic and treatment assessment phase. Patients meeting inclusion criteria for maintenance antipsychotic therapy were invited to Phase II. Patients entering Phase II were then randomized to: a recommendation of long-acting atypical antipsychotic (long-acting risperidone) and 9 to a recommendation of any first-line oral antipsychotic medication. Of the 18 offered long-acting risperidone, 14 patients (78%) did accept this recommendation as defined by receiving at least one injection of long-acting risperidone.

Conclusion: Our preliminary results show that the majority of first-episode patients who agree to maintenance antipsychotic therapy will accept a long-acting injection version of the medication, as long as the recommendation is provided in an integrated fashion.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinicians treating first-episode schizophrenia patients and their families.

REFERENCES:

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participants will be familiar with the prevalence of polypharmacy (more than one antipsychotic and/or more than one adjunctive medication) in the treatment of psychotic disorders; and understand the effects of switching to assured antipsychotic treatment with Risperidone Consta on polypharmacy.

SUMMARY:
Background: When a patient with a psychotic disorder has an incomplete therapeutic response to an antipsychotic, the treating clinician may add a second antipsychotic or adjunctive medication (mood stabilizer, antidepressant, etc.) in an effort to better control the psychopathology. However, the incomplete therapeutic response may reflect poor medication adherence, a problem that will not be corrected by additional medications. We examined whether assured antipsychotic treatment through Risperidone allowed for the tapering away of other antipsychotics and adjunctive medications.

Method: We switched recently admitted patients with a psychotic disorder and incomplete adherence and/or polypharmacy to treatment with Risperidone. Over a 6-month follow-up, we attempted to reduce polypharmacy and assess clinical course. Results: Of 28 subjects who completed at least 2 months of treatment, 24 completed 6 months, 4 completed 4 months. Of 13 taking more than one antipsychotic 7 (54%) had a reduction by 6 months (or time of ending participation). Of the 23 taking one or more adjunctive medications, 15 (65%) had a reduction and 2 (8.6%) had an increase in number of adjunctive medications. Conclusion: These results support the hypothesis that assured treatment may permit a reduction in polypharmacy.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists, psychologists, and other mental health professionals.

REFERENCES:
ASENAPINE IMPROVES COGNITIVE FUNCTION IN MONKEYS EXPOSED TO PHENCYCLIDINE

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to describe the model of PCP-induced cognitive impairment in monkeys and its usefulness in determining the efficacy of psychopharmacologic agents for cognitive dysfunction; and discuss the effects of asenapine on cognitive function in monkeys with PCP-induced cognitive impairment.

SUMMARY:

Objective: To explore the effects of short- and long-term asenapine dosing on reversal learning and object retrieval in normal and chronic phencyclidine (PCP)-exposed monkeys.

Methods: Forty-eight monkeys were trained in object discrimination and reversal learning before twice-daily dosing with PCP (0.3 mg/kg intramuscular) or saline for 14 days. A baseline test confirmed cognitive deficits in PCP-exposed animals before beginning twice-daily subcutaneous administration of saline (control) or asenapine (50, 100, or 150 μg/kg).

Results: In the reversal task, PCP-exposed monkeys made more perseverative errors than did controls, evidence of poor capacity to switch responses. On average, PCP-treated monkeys made twice as many errors as did control monkeys under these conditions. Asenapine facilitated reversal learning in PCP-exposed monkeys. Improvements in reversal learning were at the trend level in week 1 and significant in weeks 2–4. In week 4, asenapine 150 μg/kg significantly improved reversal learning in PCP-exposed monkeys (P=0.01), rendering their performance indistinguishable from that of controls.

Conclusions: Asenapine produced substantial and lasting gains in executive functions in this model of PCP-induced cognitive impairment.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists

REFERENCES:

ASENAPINE: A PSYCHOPHARMACOLOGIC AGENT WITH A UNIQUE HUMAN RECEPTOR SIGNATURE

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to describe the receptor signature of asenapine in terms of relative potency of interactions at serotonergic, dopaminergic, alpha-adrenergic, and muscarinic receptors; and compare the receptor signature of asenapine with those of currently available antipsychotic drugs.

SUMMARY:

Objective: To explore the mechanism of action of asenapine by comparing its human receptor signature with the receptor-binding profiles of antipsychotic drugs.

Methods: We determined the binding affinities of asenapine under comparable assay conditions for cloned human serotonergic, alpha-adrenergic, dopaminergic, histaminic, and muscarinic receptors.

Results: The rank order of receptor affinity for asenapine under comparable assay conditions for cloned human serotonergic, alpha-adrenergic, dopaminergic, histaminic, and muscarinic receptors was different from that of currently available antipsychotic drugs.

Conclusions: Asenapine produced substantial and lasting gains in executive functions in this model of PCP-induced cognitive impairment.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists

REFERENCES:
pine, asenapine has much lower affinity for muscarinic receptors relative to its D₂ affinity.

**Conclusions:** The human receptor signature of asenapine differs from that of the antipsychotics tested, with potent interactions at an ensemble of serotonergic, dopaminergic, and alpha-adrenergic receptors but no significant interaction at muscarinic receptors.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Psychiatrists.

**REFERENCES:**

**POSTER SESSION 3**

**Posters 97–143**

**TRANSFORMING PSYCHIATRY: HOW SYSTEMS OF CARE RESPOND TO CHALLENGING POPULATIONS**

**Poster 97**  Friday, October 6
3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

**TRAINING ACROSS LANGUAGES AND CULTURES USING THE NEGATIVE SYMPTOM ASSESSMENT SCALE**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to describe the Negative Symptom Assessment (NSA) scale; and compare results of training on the NSA versus the Positive and Negative Syndrome Scale in terms of achieving acceptable agreement among raters across different nationalities and languages.

**SUMMARY:**

**Objective:** To analyze level of agreement among raters of different nationalities and languages using the 16-item Negative Symptom Assessment scale (NSA-16) versus the Positive and Negative Syndrome Scale (PANSS).

**Methods:** Two cohorts of raters were enrolled: 120 from the US and 180 from 18 other countries. Participants viewed ±1 training lecture, rated ±1 videotaped NSA-16 interview of a schizophrenic patient, and received feedback on rating methods. Training for the PANSS was similar. Participants were then evaluated on their ratings of another videotaped interview. Acceptable agreement was a score within 1 point of the modal score on ±80% of the items on each rating instrument.

**Results:** Using the NSA-16, acceptable agreement was achieved by 85/90 (94%) of US raters versus 174/180 (97%) of non-US raters (±=0.38). Using the PANSS, agreement was achieved by 104/120 (87%) of US raters versus 168/173 (97%) of non-US raters (±=0.0009).

**Conclusions:** Both cohorts achieved comparable success in NSA-16 training but showed a significant difference with the PANSS. This suggests that raters from differing cultures can be more effectively trained to assess negative symptoms using the NSA-16.

This study was supported by Organon International Inc., and Pfizer Inc., based on independent research.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Psychiatrists.

**REFERENCES:**

**Poster 98**  Friday, October 6
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

**ASSOCIATION BETWEEN CHANGES IN NEGATIVE SYMPTOMS AND FUNCTIONAL OUTCOMES**

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to demonstrate familiarity with several standard measures of functional outcome in patients with schizophrenia; and describe the degree of correlation between changes in several measures of functional outcome and scores on the Negative Symptom Assessment scale.

SUMMARY:
Objective: To correlate changes in scores on the 16-item Negative Symptom Assessment scale (NSA-16) with changes in scores on various functional outcome scales.

Methods: 99 stable outpatients with schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder participating in 1 of 3 medication or psychosocial treatment intervention studies were assessed at baseline and 9 months with the NSA-16, the Quality of Life Scale (QLS), Multnomah Community Ability Scale (MCAS), Global Assessment of Functioning (GAF), Social and Occupational Functioning Assessment Scale (SOFAS), Frontal Systems Behavioral Scale (FrSBe), Functional Needs Assessment (FNA), and Life Skills Profile (LSP). Associations between change scores were assessed using Pearson’s correlation coefficients.

Results: Changes on the NSA-16 showed significant correlations with changes on all of the functional outcome scales, including structured assessments (QLS, r=−0.423, P<0.0001; MCAS, r=−0.338, P=0.0008), global assessments (GAF, r=−0.521, P<0.0001; SOFAS, r=−0.497, P<0.0001), performance-based assessments (FrSBe, r=0.414, P=0.0003; FNA, r=−0.231, P=0.0247), and an observational assessment (LSP, r=−0.367, P=0.0003).

Conclusions: Improvements in negative symptoms are associated with improvements in clinician- and patient-assessed functional outcome measures.

This study was supported by Organon International Inc., and Pfizer Inc., based on independent research.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

INVOLUNTARY MEDICATION IN PSYCHIATRIC INPATIENT TREATMENT

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to examine the demographic and clinical risk factors associated with forced medication in psychiatric inpatient treatment.

SUMMARY:
Rationale and Background: The right of committed psychiatric patients to refuse medication and the procedures to determine when refusal can be overridden continues to be a debate. The justification of compulsory treatment however rests on the idea that treatment refusal had negative effects on the hospital milieu and on the patient. Involuntary medication could also help to enhance insight or cooperation helping in rapid return to the community. Identifying the risk factors would allow early recognition and effective intervention to prevent or limit the use of forced medication.

Materials and Method: Retrospective chart review of the records of involuntarily medicated patients admitted in the time period 1/1/04–5/31/06 was done. Date of admission, legal status and demographic and clinical data of the patients were recorded.

Results: Involuntary medication events were found to occur in average on fourth day of admission. All patients had involuntary legal status. DSMIV diagnoses included Schizophrenia 41%, schizoaffective bipolar 25% and bipolar manic 20%. Only four patients had to be proceeded from 72 hours procedure to three-step procedure. Conclusion: Significant relationship was found between treatment refusal and psychotic, recently admitted patients. This is the group of patients who are expected to be mistrustful of the treatment team and less insightful into their psychiatric illness.

REFERENCES:
BIPOLAR DISORDER: MANAGING PRESCRIBING OF PSYCHOTROPICS IN A HIGH-RISK POPULATION

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant will have learned about the extent to which psychotropic prescribing for the treatment of bipolar disorder can differ from recommended practice and learn about a new initiative for quality improvement and cost management of behavioral medication prescribing.

SUMMARY:

Background: Bipolar disorder is difficult and expensive to treat. Individuals with bipolar disorder are often misdiagnosed leading to ineffective treatment or go undiagnosed. Methods: Patients were selected from Medicaid claims data from October 2003 through October 2005. All patients were 18–64 years old, had a diagnosis of bipolar disorder, were continuously eligible during entire period, were not dually eligible (Medicare-Medicaid), had no diagnosis of schizophrenia. A subset of patients was selected for intervention based on high medical services, high pharmacy utilization and severity of disease. Three Main Objectives: (1) analyze the pharmacological history of a patient with Bipolar Disorder to ascertain patterns of care outside of best practice; (2) develop proxy measures to assess potential inappropriate prescribing; (3) create patient-focused reports for treating physicians containing patient’s pharmacological history and Clinical Considerations™. Discussion: Twelve bipolar-focused Quality Indicators were developed to be applied to Medicaid claims in search of prescribing practices indicating risky and/or redundant treatments and problems with coordination/continuity of care. The goal is to develop interventions for high risk bipolar patients whose treatment is inconsistent with best practice. A patient centered approach could determine if improving quality of prescribing can also improve quality of care as well as reduce costs.

REFERENCES:


ELDERLY PAIN AND DEPRESSION: ANALYSIS OF POTENTIALLY INAPPROPRIATE PRESCRIBING IN A MEDICAID POPULATION

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant will have learned about the extent to which psychotropic prescribing for health conditions in the elderly population differ from recommended practice and be able to examine a new initiative for quality improvement and cost management of behavioral medication prescribing.

SUMMARY:

Background: Concurrent presence of chronic pain and depression in elderly patients can result in negative lifestyle and economic consequences. Treating chronic pain and depression in the elderly is complex as many medications are contraindicated or require dosing modifications. Methods: Quality Indicators™ were developed to identify potentially inappropriate prescribing in elderly patients with pain and depression using published expert-consensus guidelines, Beers criteria and nationally-recognized geriatricians. The indicators were applied to Missouri Medicaid pharmacy claims from January to December 2005. Elderly patients, over 65, were identified with chronic pain if they received two consecutive 30-days supply of an opiate or COX-II inhibitor (n= 27,972). Results: Forty percent (n=11,274) were prescribed opiates or psychotropics outside of best practice guidelines. The most common high-risk prescribing
practices were: use of daily fluoxetine (n=1182), use of SSRI at lower than recommended dose for more than 60 days (n=2524), use of benzodiazepines for more than 30 days (n=7407), and concurrent use of benzodiazepines and opiates for 60 or more days (n=2441). There was also a high rate of discontinuation of newly prescribed antidepressants (n=2056).

Discussion: Inappropriate use of medications can result in negative health and economic consequences. It is important to develop physician interventions around appropriate medication prescribing.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists and allied health care professionals.

REFERENCES:

Poster 102 Friday, October 6 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.
TREATMENT BARRIERS FOR LOW-INCOME, URBAN AFRICAN AMERICANS WITH UNDIAGNOSED PTSD
Supported by the National Institutes of Mental Health

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, participants will recognize those low-income, urban-dwelling African Americans who are at highest risk for PTSD; examine the most prevalent barriers to low-income, urban-dwelling African Americans accessing mental health services; and learn specific strategies to implement culturally sensitive and relevant mental health services for African Americans needing PTSD treatment.

SUMMARY:
Sample/Method: Two hundred and twenty low-income, urban-dwelling African Americans, recruited from hospital waiting areas, completed self-report measures examining the interrelationship between the prevalence of traumatic events and (1) PTSD and the (2) need for and barriers to clinical services. Findings: Almost 50% had relatives/friends who were murdered, and 42.5% (males 58%; females 36%) had been attacked with a lethal weapon. Females (36.4%) were more likely than males (8.9%) to be attacked sexually. Twenty-two percent met the criteria for PTSD, yet only 4.1% reported prior treatment for PTSD symptoms. A PTSD diagnosis was predictive of greater desire (53.3% vs. 39.87% with no diagnosis) for mental health services. The most endorsed barriers to mental health services were (1) no transportation; (2) limited funds; (3) family disapproval; (4) unfamiliarity with accessing mental health services; (5) negative therapy experiences of others. Conclusion: Many low-income, urban-dwelling African Americans are at great risk for violence and undiagnosed PTSD. They are also unlikely to receive mental health services due in part to intrapersonal (e.g., limited funds), institutional (e.g., resource capacity), and cultural (e.g., family disapproval) barriers. Implications: Remedial interventions should be aimed at providing culturally-sensitive and culturally-relevant PTSD psychoeducation, routine PTSD screens, and user-friendly clinical services.

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TARGET AUDIENCE:
Professionals interested in low-income, urban-dwelling African Americans exposed to high violence rates that result in post traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) symptoms.

REFERENCES:

Poster 103 Friday, October 6 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.
MEDICARE D UTILIZATION MANAGEMENT SPREADSHEET PROJECT

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize an easy and accessible way of monitoring posted utilization management proposed
for Medicare PDP’s in a format that allows for plan comparison regarding different classes of medication.

**SUMMARY:**
The Medicare D spreadsheet project began under the auspices of the Maine Association of Psychiatric Physicians, in order to try to track proposed utilization management edits posted on the Medicare Formulary Finder and PDP plan formularies for psychiatric medications in plans for dual eligible and special help beneficiaries. Because the UM edits are the major differentiators of this group of plans, it was felt to be essential that patients and providers be able to compare plans easily in each region. The authors worked together to develop the formatting of the spreadsheets, and by January 2006, several classes of medications used in general medicine as well as psychotropics were posted on the website of the Maine District Branch of the APA at [www.mainepsych.org](http://www.mainepsych.org). In preparation for the APA annual meeting, an inventory of plans serving the dual eligible population revealed that the bulk of the plans across the 34 US PDP regions were provided by 21 companies, using the same formularies in each region. This made it possible to quickly create spreadsheets concerning psychotropic medications for all PDP regions. These spreadsheets are now being posted on various national and regional websites. We will review the progress of this project and display examples of the spreadsheets.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Prescribing clinicians and consumers.

**REFERENCES:**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to demonstrate the long-term risks for diabetes and CHD associated with the use of atypical antipsychotic medications, as estimated from data on metabolic risk factors from the CATIE study.

**SUMMARY:**
**Background:** A published study using baseline fasting laboratory values from the CATIE study indicated increases in CHD risk, vs age- and sex-matched controls. We used mathematical modeling to determine whether metabolic changes observed in the CATIE study following atypical antipsychotic treatment translated into further, long-term increases in CHD and diabetes risk.

**Methods:** Risk equations were used to estimate 10-year rates of diabetes and CHD using baseline and follow-up data from CATIE. Exposure-adjusted mean change from baseline was used to estimate the increase in risk relative to treatment with ziprasidone or no treatment.

**Results:** Relative to ziprasidone, olanzapine and quetiapine substantially elevated the risk for diabetes and for a primary CHD event among men and women (range of relative risk=1.06–1.26 for men and 1.03–1.09 for women). To a lesser extent, risperidone elevated the risk for diabetes and CHD in men and for CHD in women. Ziprasidone treatment did not increase risk for diabetes or CHD in the CATIE study.

**Conclusions:** Olanzapine and quetiapine substantially increased the risk for diabetes and CHD above that of ziprasidone and above that of the patient’s baseline risk, as calculated using exposure-adjusted metabolic changes observed in the CATIE study. These results suggest serious long-term safety concerns for olanzapine, quetiapine, and, to a lesser extent, risperidone.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Psychiatrists, primary care physicians, clinical nurse specialists, nurse practitioners, and physician assistants.

**REFERENCES:**

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**A MODEL OF LONG-TERM CHANGE IN DIABETES AND CORONARY HEART DISEASE RISK: EFFECTS OF METABOLIC CHANGE IN PHASE I OF THE CATIE STUDY**

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Poster 105  
Friday, October 6  
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.  

LIPID AND GLUCOSE MONITORING DURING ATYPICAL ANTIPSYCHOTIC TREATMENT: EFFECTS OF THE 2004 ADA/APA CONSENSUS STATEMENT  
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:  
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to increase physician awareness of the need to monitor metabolic risk factors in patients treated with atypical antipsychotic medication as recommended by ADA/APA guidelines.

SUMMARY:  
Objective: Concerns about the metabolic effects of atypical antipsychotic medications and the elevated rate of medical morbidities in patients treated with these medications (1) led the ADA and the APA to publish a consensus statement regarding specific recommendations for medical management (2). The recommendations include lipid and glucose testing at the start of atypical antipsychotic treatment and 12 weeks later. To assess the impact of these guidelines on monitoring rates, we evaluated laboratory testing rates before and after publication of the guidelines.

Methods: Patients initiating treatment with an atypical antipsychotic before (n=21,848) and after (n=8,166) guideline publication were identified from the PharMetrics claims database. Lipid and glucose testing was assessed at treatment initiation and 12 weeks after.

Results: Testing rates were low at baseline and at 12 weeks both before guideline publication (lipids: 7.8% and 6.2%; glucose: 20.6% and 16.0%, respectively) and after (8.5% and 7.1%; 22.5% and 17.6%). Stratification by age or atypical antipsychotic did not change the pattern of results.

Conclusions: Adherence to consensus recommendations for lipid and glucose monitoring in patients receiving atypical antipsychotic therapy is poor suggesting that publication and dissemination of guidelines is insufficient by itself to change physician practice.

TARGET AUDIENCE:  
Psychiatrists, primary care physicians, clinical nurse specialists and nurse practitioners, physician assistants, pharmacists.

REFERENCES:  

Poster 106  
Friday, October 6  
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.  

INITIAL DOSE AND DISCONTINUATION FOR FIVE MAJOR ATYPICAL ANTIPSYCHOTIC MEDICATIONS  
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:  
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to highlight the relationship between initial atypical antipsychotic dose and time-to-discontinuation in using a naturalistic Medicaid pharmacy claims data base. This relationship was examined for atypical antipsychotics as a class, as well as for each drug individually.

SUMMARY:  
Objective: To determine the relationship between initial atypical antipsychotic dose and treatment discontinuation in patients with schizophrenia.

Methods: Adult Medicaid recipients with schizophrenia, having prescription claims for any of the major atypical antipsychotics (aripiprazole, olanzapine, quetiapine, risperidone, ziprasidone) between July 2001 and September 2003, were categorized by initial dose (low, medium, high). Treatment discontinuation was defined as a 14-day gap between expected refill dates. Using multivariate Cox proportional hazards regression analysis, we explored the impact of initial dose, controlling for age, gender, race, hospitalization prior to initiation of drug therapy, and concurrency in psychotropic medications for the five drugs pooled together (n = 3523) and for each drug separately. A sensitivity analysis was conducted, allowing a 29-day gap between refills.

Results: Testing rates were low at baseline and at 12 weeks both before guideline publication (lipids: 7.8% and 6.2%; glucose: 20.6% and 16.0%, respectively) and after (8.5% and 7.1%; 22.5% and 17.6%). Stratification by age or atypical antipsychotic did not change the pattern of results.

Conclusions: Adherence to consensus recommendations for lipid and glucose monitoring in patients receiving atypical antipsychotic therapy is poor suggesting that publication and dissemination of guidelines is insufficient by itself to change physician practice.

TARGET AUDIENCE:  
Psychiatrists, primary care physicians, clinical nurse specialists and nurse practitioners, physician assistants, pharmacists.

REFERENCES:  
Conclusions: In contrast to other antipsychotics, time-to-discontinuation with ziprasidone is generally greater when patients are initiated on a high rather than a low dose. Our results are consistent with results of a prior study in commercially insured ziprasidone users.

TARGET AUDIENCE: Psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

Poster 107 Friday, October 6 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

DEVELOPING COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IN BALEARIC ISLANDS, SPAIN

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to examine how the development and improvement of mental health services affects patient care.

SUMMARY:
The Balearic Islands form one of the 19 autonomous regions of Spain. Comprising of the islands of Majorca, Minorca, Eivissa, Formentera and various other small islands. The population is 1,000,000 inhabitants approximately.

The transformation of psychiatric care has been carried out in Spain since the 1980s under the name of “Psychiatric Reform” however it was not clearly initiated in the Balearic Islands until 1998. Thanks to it a much better organized mental health care structure has been made, the ratio of mental health professionals has increased, an extensive community network of mental health centres has been built up and most of the mental health problems are attended in the community, most of the psychiatric units are located in general hospitals instead of psychiatric hospitals, and the majority of psychiatric patients have being integrated in the general health care system. New legislation has also improved the care and civil rights of patients. However, the main deficiency has been in the development of intermediate community services and programs to rehabilitate and resettle patients in the community. This has been the cause of an insufficient deinstitutionalization of the patients in long-term and medium-term care units of the old psychiatric hospital, which is still open.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
This poster is intended for psychiatrists, primary care physicians, mental health professionals, health care professionals, health administrators and hospital managers.

REFERENCES:

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CARDIAC RISK FACTORS AND SCHIZOPHRENIA: AN ANALYSIS OF 18,094 PATIENTS ENROLLED IN AN INTERNATIONAL COMPARATIVE TRIAL OF OLANZAPINE AND ZIPRASIDONE Supported by Pfizer Inc.

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to increase awareness among psychiatrists of the elevated cardiac risk factors present in schizophrenia patients, based on data obtained at baseline from a very large sample of patients enrolled in an international comparative trial of ziprasidone and olanzapine.

SUMMARY:
Introduction: Ziprasidone has modest QTc-prolonging effects, but it is not known if this translates to increased risk of cardiovascular events. The Ziprasidone Observational Study of Cardiac Outcomes (ZODIAC), a large (N>18,000), international, open-label, randomized, postmarketing study, has been conducted to address this issue.

Methods: A physician-administered questionnaire collected baseline information on demographics, medical and psychiatric history, and concomitant medication use. Data were self-reported by patients or reported by
enrolling physicians. Selected baseline data on 18,094 patients are presented here.

Results: ZODIAC enrolled a total of 18,240 schizophrenia patients (mean age, 41.6 years; 55.1% male; 60.0% white), primarily from the U.S. or Brazil (73.0%). Approximately 18% of patients had hypertension, 14.8% hyperlipidemia, 46.5% currently smoked, 28.9% had a body mass index of \( \geq 30 \) kg/m\(^2\), and 7.7% had diabetes at baseline. Mean time since schizophrenia diagnosis was 10.4 years, and average Clinical Impression Score was 5.2 (range, 1 to 8). At baseline, 71% of patients were using antipsychotics. Almost 80% of patients were using concomitant medications, yet less than 3% were using antihypertensives or statins.

Conclusions: ZODIAC baseline data suggest that this study population has a substantial prevalence of cardiovascular risk factors and that hyperlipidemia and hypertension may be undertreated.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists, primary care physicians and clinical nurse practitioners.

REFERENCES:

Poster 109
THE MAKING OF A PSYCHIATRIC DIAGNOSIS IN PRIMARY CARE
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to improve the diagnosis of depression by primary care physicians.

SUMMARY:
The objective of this study was to identify the symptoms that are relevant for a diagnosis of depression by primary care physicians. Material and methods: Males and females between 18 and 65 years old, who attended a primary care physician’s office. They completed the CES-D. After consultation, the clinical charts were reviewed and the physician-made diagnosis was registered. The ratings of CES-D items were compared among the patients identified as depressed and those who were not. Results: 10 patients out of 1094 were diagnosed as depressed. The items that did not show any difference between the groups were those related to physiological, cognitive and interpersonal symptoms. The items in which a greater difference was observed were: ‘I felt that I could not shake off the blues, I felt hopeful about the future, I was happy, I felt lonely, I enjoyed life and I had crying spells’. Conclusion: The number of patients diagnosed with depression is lower than that reported in the literature. The diagnosis of depression by primary care physicians rests mainly upon affective symptoms. Does this reflect a lack of knowledge about the clinical manifestations of depression?

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinical investigators.

REFERENCES:
SUMMARY:
Effectiveness of psychiatric rehabilitation programs for persons with severe mental illness (SMI) are frequently measured prospectively and longitudinally by outcomes distributed as highly positively skewed with clumping at 0. Examples include hours and income earned from jobs in supported employment programs, episodes and length of hospitalizations in assertive community treatment, and days of substance misuse in integrated treatment of co-occurring SMI/addiction. These distributions complicate analysis and interpretation of longitudinal program impact. To minimize frequency of zero values, evaluators typically sum up values on these outcomes across entire project periods and then conduct cross-sectional between-group endpoint parametric statistical analyses. Results from endpoint analyses obscures identifying which patients benefit (or not) from which intervention over time. Instead, we demonstrate that, for supported employment (SE) programs, using mixed-effects, mixed distribution models for estimating trajectories of patients’ work activity over time, permits more refined inferences about patient and program effects on work activity. To make this analytic approach accessible to psychiatric rehabilitation researchers and practitioners, we illustrate its elements with visual displays, and by comparing patient work outcomes from two recently completed 24-month SE randomized trials: urban Hartford (N=204) and rural Sumter, SC (N = 143). SAMHSA grants UD7SM51823 and UD7SM51818 supported this study.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatric rehabilitation researchers and practitioners serving persons with severe mental illness; research methodologists.

REFERENCES:

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DETERMINANTS OF OUTCOME FOR ADOLESCENTS TRANSITIONING TO INDEPENDENT LIVING

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this presentation, the participant should be able to appreciate factors associated with successful involvement in a residential program for adolescents.

SUMMARY:
Background: Adolescents whose families are so dysfunctional as to require government intervention to remove the individuals from their homes, or who have been discharged from successful completion of residential treatment for adolescent substance abusers or from psychiatric inpatient units, often need assistance in developing independent living skills.

Objectives: The identification of factors associated with success in a residential program for adolescents was the objective of a chart review of the records of fifty-one individuals who had been admitted to the program.

Methods: Records were examined from a transitional group home program providing residential care for a maximum of twelve adolescents (16 to 20 years old), either homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. The adolescents normally reside for approximately one year and then, transitioning into the community, reside in their own apartments while receiving case management and supportive services. For fifty-one adolescents admitted consecutively, records were reviewed with regard to age, gender, diagnoses, previous history of psychiatric hospitalization, history of involvement with the juvenile justice system, and history of previous drug and alcohol use, and with regard to the work, educational, and therapeutic programs provided for each adolescent. Differences with respect to these variables were sought among three groups: those successfully completing the program, those voluntarily withdrawing, and those involuntarily discharged.

Results: More than sixty per cent of those admitted to the program successfully completed the program; the remainder were voluntarily or involuntarily discharged for reasons which were tabulated. Several differences among the groups were found.

Conclusion: A group home for adolescents can foster transition to successful independent living for a variety of adolescents who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless, with success varying in association with several factors.

REFERENCES:
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SYMPTOM WORSENING ASSOCIATED WITH TREATMENT DISCONTINUATION IN SCHIZOPHRENIA TRIALS
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to get a better understanding of the relationship between schizophrenia treatment discontinuation and symptom improvement as measured by PANSS.

SUMMARY:
Introduction: Treatment discontinuation, common in antipsychotic trials for the treatment of schizophrenia, may be associated with symptom worsening.
Methods: Data from 4 randomized, double-blind studies (n=1627; 24–28 weeks duration) were used in this pooled post-hoc analysis. Patients with schizophrenia or a related disorder were treated with olanzapine (n=822), risperidone (n=167), quetiapine (n=175), or ziprasidone (n=463). Changes in PANSS total scores (PTS) were analyzed by ANOVA, while generalized estimating equations (GEE) were used to model discontinuation status versus concurrent PTS changes.
Results: A total of 865 (53%) patients discontinued treatment over the entire study. Mean PTS decreased from 91 to 71 during the study (LOCF; completers from 91 to 59; discontinuers from 91 to 85). Early in treatment (Weeks 0–4), discontinuers had no significant change in mean PTS from their previous visit, and 21% of discontinuers (versus 61% of completers) achieved clinical response, defined as 20% or more PTS reduction from baseline. Overall, discontinuers had symptom worsening or less improvement on PTS in a given interval. Similarly, individuals who discontinued due to adverse events experienced symptom worsening, or insignificant decreases in PTS compared to their previous visit. Overall, there was a 70% estimated increase in odds for discontinuation for every 10-point PTS increase, within any given visit interval.
Conclusions: Findings from post-hoc analyses of a large pooled sample of patients suggest that failure to establish early treatment response, as well as recent loss of previous symptom improvement, may lead to treatment interruption and discontinuation.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Schizophrenia treatment teams, including primary caregivers and psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

Poster 113  Friday, October 6
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

TREATMENT DISCONTINUATION IN ANTIPSYCHOTIC TRIALS AND CHANGE IN SCHIZOPHRENIA SYMPTOMS
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to discuss reasons for antipsychotic treatment discontinuation in clinical trials and the association between improvement in specific symptom domains and treatment discontinuation.

SUMMARY:
Objective: To examine the association between treatment discontinuation in antipsychotic trials and change in schizophrenia symptoms.
Methods: A post hoc, pooled analysis of 4 randomized, 24–28 week, double-blind, head-to-head trials of atypical antipsychotics for treatment of schizophrenia spectrum disorders (N=1627) compared trial completers with non-completers on improvements in positive, negative, and depressive symptoms, measured by the Positive and Negative Syndrome Scale. Symptom severity and change were used to predict trial discontinuation.
Results: Fifty-three percent (866/1627) of patients discontinued early. Poor response or symptom worsening was the most frequent reason for discontinuation (36%; 315/866). Non-completers showed significantly less depressive, positive, and negative symptom improvement.
compared with completers. Patients with less severe baseline depressive symptoms (hazard ratio [HR]=0.95: 95% Confidence Interval [CI] 0.93, 0.97; p<.001) and positive symptoms (HR=0.97; 95% CI 0.95, 0.98; p<.001) were less likely to discontinue. Patients with improvements in depressive symptoms (HR=0.94 for a unit-point change; 95% CI 0.92, 0.96; p<.001) and positive symptoms (HR=0.95; 95% CI 0.93, 0.96; p<.001) were less likely to discontinue at a subsequent visit independent of baseline severity. A 20% improvement in depressive and positive symptoms in the first 2 weeks was associated with a 50% (odds ratio [OR]=1.52; 95% CI 1.22, 1.90) and 70% (OR=1.71; 95% CI 1.35, 2.16) greater likelihood of completion, respectively. Baseline or change in negative symptoms did not significantly predict discontinuation.

Conclusions: Poor response or symptom worsening was the most frequent reason for treatment discontinuation. In particular, poor improvement of depressive and positive symptoms predicted treatment discontinuation.

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TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists and other mental health professionals who treat patients with schizophrenia.

REFERENCES:
EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand the functions and capabilities of Radiofrequency Identification Technology as it pertains to prescription medication compliance. Additionally, participants will grasp the patient health care and economic benefits that a mass implementation of this technology can yield.

SUMMARY:
Background Patient compliance is a longstanding issue that has hampered the practice of medicine and the health of patients. Because studies have shown that the cost of partial compliance in Schizophrenia and Bi-Polar Disorders accounts for a considerable 40% of the annual costs of re-hospitalization, we will concentrate on this group.

Hypothesis The use of RFID enabled product [such as: Risperdal®] blister packs will lead to improved medication compliance when compared to regular blister packs.

Methodology 60 subjects with Schizophrenia currently on Risperdal® will be recruited from various hospitals in Europe. In a controlled trial setting lasting nine months, these individuals will be randomized to receive RFID enabled Risperdal® blister packs or regular blister packs. The frequency and consistency of medication intake, number of prescription refills, emergency room visits, and hospitalizations will determine success.

Objective The aims are to examine the role of RFID-enabled blister packs in improving patient compliance, evaluate the feasibility of commercial deployment of technology, and validate an economic model that will support industry-wide adoption.

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PSYCHIATRIC PATIENTS’ REASONS FOR MEDICATION NONADHERENCE

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize the most frequent subjective reasons and objective causes for medication nonadherence in psychiatric patients with severe mental disorders and their distribution in patients with a different degree of nonadherence.

SUMMARY:

Objectives: Medication adherence among psychiatric patients averages only 50%, ranging from 24% to 90% in different populations. The most frequently cited reasons for treatment noncompliance are lack of insight, concurrent substance abuse, poor relationships between psychiatrist and patient, and medication side effects. We designed our study to reveal patients’ subjective reasons for taking their medications incorrectly.

Methods: We enrolled 22 patients with severe psychiatric disorders. Along with assessing objective causes of noncompliance, we asked patients to select their nonadherence reasons from a list of the 24 most widespread causes identified from a literature review.

Results: Most patients had history of long-term medication non-adherence: 7 (31.8%) patients did not take some of their medications for a week or more during the last 12 months. The most frequent reasons (selected by more than one-third of the patients) why they took their medication incorrectly were: “I forget to take my medication” (42.9%), “I want to feel myself healthy” (38.1%), “I think that I have recovered from my disease” (38.1%).

Conclusions: The identified subjective reasons for nonadherence can be used to direct patient education and other interventions to increase medication adherence.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Mental health practitioners.

REFERENCES:

A SCHOOL-BASED MENTAL HEALTH RECOVERY EFFORT

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to be familiar with the post-Hurricane Katrina mental health recovery program of school-based children; recognize Post-Traumatic Stress Risk Factors and symptoms in Hurricane Katrina victims, grades 6th–8th; be familiar with the use of a psychosocial intervention, My Personal Story about Hurricane Katrina and Rita: A Guided Activity Workbook for Middle and High School Students and its implications for reducing post-traumatic stress disorder symptoms in Hurricane Katrina survivors, grades 6–8.

SUMMARY:

Objective: On Monday, August 29th, Hurricane Katrina made landfall in New Orleans, causing extensive destruction and widespread flooding. The objective of this study was to decrease Post Traumatic symptoms in 6th–8th grade children attending New Orleans West (NOW), School based in Houston, TX exclusively for children displaced from New Orleans. The student population is 100% African-American, the majority of whom were from impoverished areas of New Orleans; areas that were widely devastated by Katrina.

Method: The University of California at Los Angeles Child Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Reaction Index (PTSD-RI) was administered to the children prior to beginning work on the Hurricane Workbook and after approximately two months of working with the workbooks. My Personal Story about Hurricanes Katrina and Rita: A Guided Activity Workbook for Children by Gilbert Kliman, et al. was given to each child who worked on it for 30 minutes weekly for approximately three months.

Results: For grades 6–8, post-traumatic symptom level scores declined 18.75%, compared with pre-assessment scores (median of 32 to 26). This was statistically significant (p=.0001).
Summary: My Personal Story about Hurricanes Katrina and Rita appears to have contributed to decreasing PTSD symptom factors in 6th-8th graders attending NOW post-Hurricane Katrina. Numerous confounders need to be considered.

REFERENCES:

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A NATIONAL SURVEY OF SPIRITUAL BELIEFS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to assess the associations between traumatic experiences and spiritual beliefs; and recognize predictors of spiritual beliefs.

SUMMARY:
This report describes findings from a national survey of spiritual beliefs that used the East-West Spiritual Beliefs Scale (EWSBS). The objectives of this study were to 1) describe spiritual beliefs in the US population, 2) assess the effect of trauma on beliefs, 3) evaluate predictors of agreement with beliefs, and 4) examine the factor structure of the scale. Data were collected through online survey from community samples representative of the US population before (n = 769) and after (n = 1,200) September 11, 2001. In addition to the EWSBS, assessments included ratings of health status, resilience, trauma history, posttraumatic stress symptoms, and recent positive and negative affects and interactions. Our findings indicated that a history of trauma was associated with less disagreement with Eastern beliefs and greater agreement with some Western beliefs. The post September 11 cohort reported less disagreement with Eastern beliefs related to the influence of past lives and less agreement with the Western belief in destiny. Predictors of spiritual beliefs in general included being female and non-white, whereas endorsement of Eastern and Western beliefs was associated with different population attributes relating to demographics, health status, trauma history, resilience, and affective tone.

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REFERENCES:

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8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

ASSESSING DEPRESSION AND NUTRITIONAL STATUS IN COMMUNITY-DWELLING ELDER S

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognized that assessments are not routinely given to community dwelling elders to assess their global well-being; understand the importance of assessing depression and nutritional status of community dwelling elders; and demonstrate that there was no significant depressive symptom differences that were observed between Mexican American and European elders in this pilot study.

SUMMARY:
Objective: To assess depression and nutritional status among elderly in the community-setting to determine if any differences are found between EA and MA elders to improve intervention programs.
Method: A cross-sectional design was used to sample 130 cognitively eligible community dwelling elders attending 9 nutrition centers in the Bexar County, TX. The interviews were completed by 116 elders using standard questionnaires: Centers for Epidemiological Studies on Depression (CES-D) and other demographic/health questions. Anthropometric measures such as height, weight, and body fat were measured.
Result: About 68% of the sample exhibited depressive symptom, however, there were no significant depressive symptom differences between MA and EA elders or between genders. Those who exhibited depressive symptoms ate less % of total fat (p=0.041) and less % of
saturated fat (p=.037) compared to those who did not show depressive symptoms. There was a trend for higher intakes of carbohydrates (p=.058) and lower intakes of fiber (p=.059) for those who were depressed.

Conclusions: Depressed elders in the community have different nutritional status than non-depressed elders regardless of race and gender. This study will provide a good stepping stone to create a comprehensive intervention program that can incorporate screening for depression and nutritional status.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Health professionals working in community-based settings.

REFERENCES:

Poster 121
Friday, October 6
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.
AN EVALUATION OF SCREENING FOR MATERNAL DEPRESSION DURING PEDIATRIC WELL-CHILD VISITS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to describe a system for screening for maternal depression in a busy urban pediatric clinic; and compare PHQ-2 to the Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale as a screening tool for maternal depression.

SUMMARY:
Objectives: Assess prevalence of positive screens for maternal depression using the PHQ-2 in multiethnic low SES mothers of preschool children presenting for pediatric primary care, identify risk factors for a positive screen and compare the PHQ-2 to the Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale (EPDS).

Design/Methods: Convenience sample. Mothers presenting for primary care to urban hospital pediatric clinic. Inclusion criteria: mother>18yrs, child age<6yrs. Mothers self-administered PHQ-2 and EPDS. Positive screen: PHQ-2 ≥ 3 or EPDS ≥ 10. Also collected: demographics, previous depression screening by health care provider.

Results: 94 mothers enrolled. Mean (SD) maternal age: 27.4 (5.3); youngest child’s age: 1.12 (1.1) yrs; education: 39% <HS. Ethnicity: 66% Latina, 13% Black, 12% Asian, 6% White. 69% immigrants; 77% married, 63/94 (67%) mothers reported no prior screening. 25/94 (27%) were positive on at least one scale. Agreement fair-good between the PHQ-2 and the EPDS (kappa= 0.49, p<0.001), with 12/94 (13%) positive on PHQ-2 and 23/94 (24.4%) positive on EPDS. With EPDS as the gold standard, sensitivity/specificity of PHQ-2 was 43%/97%. Sensitivity of the PHQ-2 was 25% in mothers with <HS compared to 86% in mothers with >HS. 46.2% mothers reporting no help with child care support screened positive, compared to 19.1% mothers reporting help (p=0.02).

Conclusions: Screening for maternal depression is important in the primary care of low SES, multiethnic preschool children because depression is prevalent and screening may not have been done previously. The PHQ-2 may not be useful for screening in this population. Additional study is needed to determine the most effective approach.

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TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinicians.

REFERENCES:

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THE IMPACT OF URBAN SOCIETY ON PERI-TRAUMATIC PSYCHOSIS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to have a better understanding of the relationship between trauma, psychosis and urbanization, to integrate these three terms in one concept and to recognize the role that urban society plays in mental health issues.

SUMMARY:
Introduction: The relationship between trauma and new onset psychosis is not clear. It has been suggested that psychosis is more frequent in urban communities. We explore a possible relationship between urbanicity, trauma and psychosis.

Methods: We reviewed 1114 articles and selected only those (125) focused on urbanicity, trauma and psychosis. Search terms: Psychotic disorders, stress psychological, life change events, urban population.

Results: Psychosis was found to be weakly related to traumatic events. However, one study reports an incidence of 30% of new onset psychosis following trauma. The nature of the relationship between trauma and psychosis remains poorly understood. A traumatic event contributes to psychosis not as a causal but as a precipitating factor in the context of personal vulnerability. Traumatic experiences increased in urban areas. 77% of school students witnessed a violent event while 47% were direct victims.

Studies showed a strong correlation between degree of urbanization and psychosis. The risk of developing psychosis is 68–77% higher for people in the most populated areas. Little research has been done regarding the relationship between urbanicity, trauma and psychosis. Conclusion: Life threatening events can precipitate psychosis and the urban environment might serve as a significant additive factor in the onset of psychosis.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, medical students, and other health professionals.

REFERENCES:
COST-EFFECTIVENESS OF ATYPICAL ANTIPSYCHOTIC AGENTS IN THE TREATMENT OF ACUTE MANIA
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to compare the cost-effectiveness of atypical antipsychotic agents in the treatment of acute manic or mixed episodes in patients with bipolar I disorder; and discuss the cost-effective role of risperidone in the treatment of acute manic or mixed episodes in patients with bipolar I disorder.

SUMMARY:
Methods: The model estimated the average cost-effectiveness (CE) ratios for each atypical antipsychotic given as monotherapy for acute manic or mixed episodes in patients with bipolar I disorder. CE ratios were defined as the total annual cost per responder (% improvement on YMRS scale) at 3 weeks. The median response rate was used in the base case scenario; 45.5%, 56.7%, 53.3%, 58.0%, and 50.0%, for aripiprazole, olanzapine, quetiapine, risperidone, and ziprasidone, respectively. Total annual costs were calculated based on 1.3 acute manic or mixed episodes/year and included costs of atypical antipsychotics, concomitant psychotropic medications, adverse events, and medical resource utilization. All costs were inflated to 2005 values. Results: Total annual costs per patient were $7,518, $7,551, $7,507, $7,360, and $7,373 for aripiprazole, olanzapine, quetiapine, risperidone, and ziprasidone, respectively. CE ratios were $16,523, $12,965, $14,084, $12,689, and $14,746, respectively. Conclusion: These findings suggest that treatment with risperidone may be among the most cost-effective choices for acute management of mania in patients with bipolar I disorder. Results are limited to acute treatment of mania, thus no conclusions can be drawn about the cost-effectiveness of atypical antipsychotics as maintenance treatment.

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HEALTH CARE UTILIZATION AND COST OF BIPOLAR I DISORDER WITH AND WITHOUT PSYCHOTIC SYMPTOMS
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to compare mental-health-related utilization in bipolar I patients with and without psychotic symptoms; and compare the mental-health-related and nonmental-health-related costs for various services in bipolar I patients with and without psychotic symptoms.

SUMMARY:
Methods: We conducted a retrospective independent-group pharmacy and medical claims analysis from a national managed care database. Patients were identified based on their first claim for bipolar diagnosis during 2003 calendar year. Mental-health-related and overall health-care resource utilization and costs were compared in patients with and without diagnosis of psychotic symptoms. Results: Of the 8,221 patients with bipolar mania who met study criteria, 62.1% (5,108) had diagnosis of psychotic symptoms. At least I mental-health-related hospitalization was noted in 7.9% of patients with psychotic symptoms and 4.0% of patients without psychotic symptoms (P<0.0001). Mean (±SD) mental-health-related hospital costs per patient were $625 ± $3,326 and $283 ± $2,223, respectively (P<0.0001). Mean medication costs were $2,638 ± $3,765 and $2,397 ± $3,482, respectively (P=0.003). Between-group differences in mean costs of outpatient visits (other than physician visits) were not significantly different (P=0.078). Overall mean health-care costs were $10,263 ± $19,962 and $8,649 ± $15,132, respectively.
POSTER SESSIONS

Poster 126
Friday, October 6
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

RECOGNIZE, REFLECT, RESPOND: AN APPROACH TO COMPLEX PTSD

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize and assess complex PTSD symptoms; and learn how to treat complex PTSD through an integrative treatment approach, including different treatment modalities such as group and family models.

SUMMARY:
Studies have shown a high prevalence of co-occurring traumatic experiences in the psychiatric population often leading to Complex PTSD. The prevalence rates suggest the need to develop particular screening and treatment approaches for Complex PTSD. An assessment tool for Complex PTSD and an integrative approach treating Complex PTSD utilizing different treatment modalities will be presented. A Syndrome Specific Group Therapy (SSGT) model will describe the cognitive behavioral therapy intervention designed specifically to treat symptoms of Complex PTSD. Results show a reduction in PTSD and dissociative symptoms as well as increased knowledge, use and helpfulness of specific skills. Additionally, we will describe a family therapy model developed for working with trauma experienced by both individuals with serious mental illness and their families.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinicians, researchers, policy makers and administrators.

REFERENCES:

Poster 127
Friday, October 6
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

RECOVERY, IDENTITY, AND EMPLOYMENT: AN EXPLORATORY STUDY

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to identify the dimensions of the seven work-identity profiles, the challenges for each profile group, and suggestions for the support and advocacy for people with different profiles.

SUMMARY:
Objective: Benefits of meaningful work are documented in the research literature, yet many people with mental illness are unemployed. While supported employment programs have demonstrated success in gaining work experiences for people with mental illness, we assert that recovery-focused, identity-centred approaches will address specific challenges that are confronted upon return to work.

Results will be presented from an exploratory study of work identity among people with mental illness who are returning to work. Implications of the findings will be discussed in relation to clinical practice and advocacy. Individuals with Foreclosed and Foreclosed/Diffused identities may be challenging for counselors and will be discussed in more detail.
Method: Maximum variation sampling (Patton, 1990) was used to recruit 14 participants from an employment program. All completed the study. Main criteria for inclusion were a DSM IV diagnosis of mental illness and an expressed interest/involvement in work.

Participants were interviewed using a semi-structured interview that was developed with input from people with mental illness. Qualitative data were analyzed according to the tenets of grounded theory technique (Lincoln and Guba, 1985).

Results: Seven work identity profiles emerged from the data. Individuals were assigned identities according to their work commitment, approach/avoidance, and anxiety. Factors accounting for assignment to each profile were also identified. Foreclosed and Foreclosed/Diffused individuals were older workers who felt that their only options were to return to their previous work settings.

Conclusion: Work identity profiles will enable counselors to use different strategies for supporting people in returning to work. Foreclosed and Foreclosed/Diffused workers may benefit from strategies that help them to recognize the range of options available to them, and assess the challenges of returning to their previous workplace. Advocacy strategies with former employers will also assist in return to work.

REFERENCES:

Poster 128 Friday, October 6 8:30 a.m.–10:00 a.m.

EARLY INTERVENTION IN PSYCHOSIS AND COURT SUPPORT PROGRAMS IN ONTARIO, CANADA: CONTINUITY OF CARE, SATISFACTION, AND PROGRAM BENEFITS FROM CLIENTS’ POINTS OF VIEW

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, participants should recognize how Early Intervention in Psychosis and Court Support programs are assessed by service-users in relation to five aspects of continuity of care. System strengths and gaps along with clients’ perceptions of program benefits and elements of satisfaction will also be evident.

SUMMARY:
As part of the Ontario Systems Enhancement Evaluation Initiative, the Matryoshka Project focuses on assessing the impact of Early Intervention in Psychosis (EIP) and Court Support (CS) expansion in relation to aspects of continuity of care (CC): timeliness, intensity, comprehensiveness, coordination, and accessibility. We present preliminary findings based on interviews with 15 EIP or CS service-users. Transcripts were analyzed using a grounded theory approach (1, 4, 5) involving a systematic process of constant comparison (3, 6). The analysis revealed that while all five components of CC are important, there are both system strengths and gaps in relation to each. Moreover, users tend to be highly satisfied with their programs and frame their comments about satisfaction with services in relation to “fit” with, and the extent and nature of support received from a specific worker rather than “programs” per se. Perceived benefits include but are not limited to: reducing social isolation, reducing court appearances and processes, and avoiding time in jail. Implications of preliminary findings for further analyses are discussed. Study limitations and directions for future research, such as the importance of various forms of social support: tangible aid, informational, esteem, emotional, and social integration (2) are also considered.

Funding: Ontario Mental Health Foundation and Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Researchers, mental health policy developers, EIP/CS program decision-makers.

REFERENCES:
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Friday, October 6  
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

VALIDATING CRITERIA FOR REMISSION IN SCHIZOPHRENA

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to describe the remission criteria for schizophrenia and to demonstrate how this construct has been tested and validated using prospectively collected data.

SUMMARY:

Published methods for assessing remission in schizophrenia are variable and none have been definitively validated or standardized. Andreasen et al (2005) suggest systematic operational criteria using eight PANSS items for which patients must score ≤3 (mild) for at least six months. Using data from a multi-site clinical trial (n=636), remission criteria were compared to total PANSS scores and other endpoints and demonstrate excellent agreement with overall clinical status. Compared to total PANSS score of 60 points and other criteria, at time points greater than 6 months (8 and 12 months) the specificity of the remission criteria for outpatients enrolled in the trial was 85%, i.e. of the patients who had a total score >60, 85% were classified as “not in remission”. Sensitivity was also very high; 75% of patients with scores of <60 were classified as “in remission.” Patients who dropped out of the trial were more likely not to be in remission prior to dropping out. These findings indicate that the remission criteria are both sensitive and specific indicators of clinical status. Additional analyses are required to determine if remission status predicts other outcomes, such as employment, independent living, and prognosis.

REFERENCES:

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8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

TWO PATIENTS WHO HAVE SCHIZOPHRENIA WITH POLYDIPSIA HYponatremia COMA

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to diagnose the symptoms of polydipsia and hyponatremia syndrome and understand therapeutic intervention of polydipsic behavior.

SUMMARY:

Authors suggested prediction of emergency situation and treatment of polydipsic patients by way of two cases report of polydipsic patient with hyponatremia and coma.

〈Case 1〉 39 years-old male schizophrenic patient for 17 years who medicated haloperidol 20mg showed intermittently polydipsia, polyuria, transient high BP, hyponatremia(110mEq/L) and sudden loss of consciousness with tonic-clonic seizure. Medical treatment for hyponatremia at emergency room wad done. After recovery of consciousness and control hyponatremia, psychotherapeutic intervention was done and changed antipsychotic to clozapine 250mg.

〈Case 2〉 25 years-old male schizophrenic patients for 8 years who medicated olanzapine 20mg showed intermittently polydipsia, frequency, transient high BP, hyponatremia (118mEq/L) and sudden fallen down with head injury. Medical treatment for hyponatremia and head injury was done. Five days later, who was recovered from coma. After recovery of consciousness therapeutic intervention was done and changed antipsychotic to abilify 20mg.

Conclusion: Sudden development of emergency symptoms is very cautious attention for life saving situation due to hyponatremia. And psychotherapeutic intervention with behavioral modification and adequate antipsychotic medication is needed.

REFERENCES:

**Poster 131**  
**Friday, October 6**  
**8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.**  
*A NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE, DEPARTMENT OF THE AGING AND THE MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK CITY PARTNERSHIP TO SCREEN AND MANAGE DEPRESSION IN SENIORS*  

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**  
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand about depression screening in senior centers; and understand about depression management in senior centers.

**SUMMARY:**  
The Surgeon General’s report states 1 in every 5 persons 55 years and older experience mental disorders not part of normal aging. In NYC, the elderly represent 27% of the population; 37% of elders in primary care settings have symptoms of depression. In elders depressive disorders precipitate chronic disease and suicide. Elder depression remains an unrecognized, under diagnosed and untreated public health problem. Targeted screenings increase early identification, encourages appropriate management and improves overall health outcomes. The depression initiative (DI) addresses the unmet mental health needs of seniors through screening and management. The program identifies seniors with depression and mental disorders, increases and tracks their access to treatment. The DI targets ambulatory seniors at DFTA funded centers and homebound elderly in the South Bronx. The DI educated and trained senior center staff to administer the PHQ-9 to screen for depression. Clients were offered a free screening for depression. Seniors who scored positive for depression (PHQ > 10) were referred to their doctors for further evaluation and treatment. 269 seniors participated in psycho-educational forums and 204 were screened for depression. Close to 1 in 5 (18%) reported between moderate to severe depression and 67% accepted a referral to their PCP.

The depression Initiative pilot was funded by the NYC Department of Mental Health and Mental Hygiene, DFTA and MHA of NYC.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**  
Physicians, nurses, social workers, case managers and other health professionals working or interested in elder care.

**REFERENCES:**  

**Poster 132**  
**Friday, October 6**  
**8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.**  
*TREATMENT PERSISTENCE WITH ANTIPSYCHOTICS IN PATIENTS WITH SCHIZOPHRENIA*  

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**  
At the conclusion of this presentation, researchers and clinicians will get a better knowledge about treatment persistence between typical and atypical antipsychotic agents over time.

**SUMMARY:**  
Despite being efficacious in reducing symptoms of schizophrenia, the likelihood of sustaining control of schizophrenia may depend on treatment persistence. However, poor treatment persistence with antipsychotics is a common problem among patients with schizophrenia. In this study, we profiled trends in the levels of treatment persistence between typical and atypical antipsychotics among patients with schizophrenia (identified using >1 inpatient or >2 outpatient ICD-9-CM codes > 7 days apart) in the Veterans Health Administration (VA). Compared to patients who initiated typical antipsychotics, those who initiated atypical antipsychotics tended to have better treatment persistence as reflected in longer stay on the medication within one year between initiation and the first gap of >15 or >30 days (99 vs. 141 days on average; p<0.001). However, between 10/1/1999 and 3/31/2005, treatment persistence with typical antipsychotics decreased from 149 to 135 days. Among individual typical antipsychotics, treatment persistence with chlorpromazine decreased from 149 to 135 days. Among individual typical antipsychotics, treatment persistence with haloperidol decreased from 110 to 102 days, treatment persistence with chlorpromazine decreased from 110 to 102 days, whereas treatment persistence with perphenazine remained the same, whereas treatment persistence with atypical antipsychotics decreased from 149 to 135 days. Among individual typical antipsychotics, treatment persistence with chlorpromazine decreased from 149 to 135 days. Among individual typical antipsychotics, treatment persistence with haloperidol decreased from 110 to 102 days, whereas treatment persistence with perphenazine increased from 116 to 128 days. Future research needs to explore factors associated with different levels of treatment persistence across different antipsychotics.
This research was funded by Boston University School of Public Health, Center for Health Quality, Outcomes, and Economic Research, and Eli Lilly and Company.

REFERENCES:

NEW HORIZONS: MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND CHILDHOOD OBESITY PREVENTION

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to update clinicians and health services researchers on innovative and practical approaches to improve the identification and prevention of childhood obesity using health information technology.

SUMMARY:
New treatments and mental health services are needed to address the childhood obesity epidemic in the context of practice settings. This study describes the use of health information technology to examine prevalence of overweight (BMI>95th%) and “at risk for overweight” pre-school children. (BMI>85th%<95th%) aged 2–5 seen in the Geisinger Clinic the nation’s largest rural integrated healthcare system. Methods: Height, weight, sex, ethnicity, and age were extracted from the electronic health records of 59,369 children examined between 1999–2004. Body mass index (BMI) was calculated and categorized as normal, “at risk” or overweight. Prevalences of “at risk” and overweight were compared to NHANES data (1999–2004) matched for ethnicity (N=704 white). Results: More Geisinger preschool girls were “at risk for overweight” (32.1% vs. 28.4% NHANES, p=0.007, X² test) and more Geisinger boys were overweight (14.4% vs. 10.0% NHANES; p=0.043, X² test). These results support the national call for effective obesity prevention services for preschool children. The funding source for this project is the Center for Health Research & Rural Advocacy, Geisinger Health System.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Health services audience including: clinicians, public sector psychiatrists, and those working in systems of care for children.

REFERENCES:

ACCEPTANCE OF MAINTENANCE ANTIPSYCHOTIC AMONG PATIENTS WITH FIRST-EPOISODE SCHIZOPHRENIA
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize that major obstacle in effective psychoeducation of patients recovering from a first acute episode of schizophrenia is the lack of understanding in the association between medication and relapse prevention.

SUMMARY:
Overview: Patients recovering from a first treatment episode of schizophrenia often respond well to acute antipsychotic treatment but are very reluctant to accept a recommendation for ongoing maintenance antipsychotic treatment. They stop their medication too soon, and then go on relapse. A major obstacle for clinicians working with first-episode patients and their families is that they have yet to learn the connection between maintenance medication and relapse prevention. Therefore, clinicians working with first-episode patients need to become familiar with other educational approaches that are more effective in helping this target population accept a rec-
ommendation of maintenance antipsychotic treatment, and extend the duration of maintenance therapy.

Methods: We are presenting the results of the psychoeducation component of a prospective effectiveness study comparing first-episode schizophrenia patients randomized to a recommendation of maintenance long-acting vs oral atypical antipsychotic. Consenting patients meeting key criteria for maintenance antipsychotic therapy received a 3-session psychoeducation program that included families whenever possible. Sessions utilized life-goal motivational approaches, with the maintenance recommendation tailored to the specific life issues elicited. Other psychoeducation approaches were also modified to the specific beliefs and concerns brought up by first-episode patients and their families.

Results: We will present the primary influences for accepting maintenance antipsychotic for at least 12 weeks with a systematic review of their reasons for medication acceptance.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinicians treating first-episode schizophrenia patients and their families.

REFERENCES:

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Friday, October 6  
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

CARING FOR THE VERY SEVERE MENTALLY ILL WITHOUT A PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITAL: A CASE STUDY

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to demonstrate knowledge of the approximate prevalence of severely ill psychotic patients in need of long-term closely supervised care; acknowledge that it is possible to care for such patients in ways less restrictive than conventional long-term psychiatric facilities; and recognize possible untoward consequences of deinstitutionalisation.

SUMMARY:
Research Objectives: The Eastern Townships, population of 291,359, in Quebec, Canada, has never had a psychiatric hospital and is thus a rather extreme example of deinstitutionalization. The objective was to find out how this system of care deals with its more severely affected long-term patients.

Study design: single case study, combining qualitative (key informant interviews) and quantitative (case finding survey) methods.

Principal findings: we found 36 persistently and severely ill patients (prevalence: 12.4/100,000). This cohort is comparable in size and symptom profile to data found in the literature. The region does not export its worst cases to other areas. A network of small- and medium-sized facilities provides long-term shelter and care. The suicide rate among this client group appears comparable to data found in the literature. However, there is evidence of a slight drift toward incarceration. Dual or triple diagnosis cases have difficulty accessing the care network. Forensic patients posing a serious continuing risk of violence are often rejected by facilities and, in the absence of alternatives, may end up spending months or years in acute care beds (prevalence 1.6/100,000).

Conclusion: it appears feasible to do without a psychiatric hospital if an adequate network of care, shelter and rehabilitation facilities exists and if highly structured facilities, designed for long-term patients who are very ill, are available. These facilities need psychiatric input and rehabilitation interventions in order to provide comprehensive care. The need for such highly structured facilities was assessed at 12/100 000 population in our study, but more urbanised, deprived areas may need up to 40 places/100 000. Locked, forensic facilities are still a necessity (1.6/100 000 in this study). Liaison with correctional facilities should be a part of mental health systems.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Mental health service planners and administrators; schizophrenia and psychotic disorders clinicians; and social and community psychiatric clinicians and planners

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IMPROVING ADEQUACY OF MEDICAL TREATMENT IN OLDER PERSONS WITH SCHIZOPHRENIA

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize the need for focussed treatment of medical comorbidity in older persons with schizophrenia, and appreciate factors that need closer clinical attention.

SUMMARY:

Introduction: The presence of higher rates of medical comorbidity has been well established in patients with schizophrenia, especially in older persons. We observed a large multi-ethnic inner city population and used Krause’s Illness Behavior Model to assess outcome in older persons with schizophrenia and comorbid medical conditions.

Methods: We compared schizophrenia (S) patients age 55+, with a matched community group. Krause’s Model of Illness Behavior was used to generate 13 independent variables. We created a dichotomous dependent variable based on receiving treatment for more than half (51%+) of 4 medical conditions - DM, heart disease, HTN, GI ulcers.

Results: There were significant differences between the S and C groups in the proportion receiving treatment for the 4 medical conditions. Greater depression, fewer doctor visits, lower subjective feeling of disability from medical illness, higher positive symptoms and lower negative symptoms were all associated with lower treatment.

Conclusion: We found that focusing on control of depression and positive symptoms may significantly reduce morbidity form medical illness. Our findings suggest that improving treatment adequacy may be a more effective intervention for public policy than accessibility of care, and greater emphasis on both patient and clinician education is necessary.

This study was partially funded by NIGMS Grant SO6GM54650.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Persons in clinical practice with geriatric populations.

REFERENCES:

ANTIPSYCHOTIC POLYPHARMACY COSTS AND COMPLIANCE: A FIVE-STATE MEDICAID STUDY

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this presentation, the participant should be able to recognize the prevalence and costs of polypharmacy associated with the usage of atypical antipsychotic medications in Medicaid populations.

SUMMARY:
State Medicaid programs are scrutinizing atypical antipsychotic prescribing given relatively high costs and use with other psychotropic medications.

This retrospective cohort study used Medicaid claims data from California, Oregon, Tennessee, Utah, and Wyoming and evaluated 55,576 patients who filled an antipsychotic prescription (1998–2003). Analysis was stratified by antipsychotic regimen: polypharmacy; concomitant psychotropics; polypharmacy + psychotropics; or monotherapy. Multivariate logistic regression determined predictors of polypharmacy adjusting for state and clinical characteristics.

53% of subjects receiving antipsychotics began and stayed on monotherapy; 40% received concomitant psychotropics only; 3% polypharmacy only; and 3% polypharmacy + psychotropics. Polypharmacy rates varied by year (declining 1998–2000; increasing 2000–2002). Patients receiving polypharmacy were more likely to be male, have schizophrenia, and a mental health-related
hospitalization. Adjusted annual health care expenditures were higher for patients receiving polypharmacy and polypharmacy + psychotropics than monotherapy (mean increases: $4,639 and $8,090, respectively). Drug costs accounted for approximately 80% of the difference. However, the likelihood that a patient was compliant with antipsychotic therapy was two times higher for polypharmacy vs. monotherapy patients.

Polypharmacy rates were low during the study period, but were higher in patients with more severe mental illness and represented a significant component of an individual’s total healthcare expenditures.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Practicing psychiatrists, medicaid program administrators, and researchers.

REFERENCES:

Poster 138 Friday, October 6 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.
CLOZAPINE IN THE COMMUNITY
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant will be able to specify the relative efficacy of Clozapine (CLZ) in the treatment of schizophrenia; know the difference in rehospitalization rates between CLZ and non-CLZ patients in our community sample; and know the processes for and the impediments to the establishment of a dedicated CLZ program in the community.

SUMMARY:
Clozapine has increasingly come to be recognized as the most effective treatment for schizophrenia, as well as being useful in the treatment of TD, and suicide prevention among the chronically mentally ill.

Most of the studies of its use in the community in the literature have focused on making the drug available to patients in public hospitals, and in patients being discharged from those hospitals. There is a paucity of work on organizing Clozapine treatment in CMHC’s. This study looks at the results of organizing the delivery of Clozapine in a large urban CMHC in terms of hospitalization rates over five years. It mirrors the work of Luchins et al which focused on the economic benefit of providing Clozapine treatment in an organized manner.

In our sample there were a total of 707 patients treated over the five year period. The hospitalization rate in this group was 5.79%, which is even lower than the 50% reduction reported by Luchins. The conclusion is that the benefit of dedicated Clozapine delivery sub-clinics in CMHC’s in terms of hospitalization rates, economic costs, and continuity of care make this structure of care delivery very valuable, but underutilized in the community.

REFERENCES:

Poster 139 Friday, October 6 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.
INTEGRATING FORENSIC AND CIVIL INPATIENTS IN A TREATMENT MALL AT A STATE HOSPITAL
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, participants should be able to discuss the feasibility and potential benefits of integrating forensic and civil inpatients in a centralized hospital psychiatric rehabilitation program.

SUMMARY:
Background: A growing body of literature suggests the potential benefits of reducing the separation between forensic and general psychiatric rehabilitative approaches. This presentation describes results from an inpatient state hospital that integrated the majority of its forensic inpatients with its civil inpatients in a “treatment mall” program. Treatment malls are off-unit centralized programming areas where patients receive treatment, education, skills training and support.

Methods: Patients were referred by treatment teams to mall groups and activities. A six-month sample of
data associated with two adult continued care units and two forensic units (medium and maximum security) was collected from: (1) daily participation ratings assigned to patients at the conclusion of each group, (2) records of restrictive intervention use at the mall, (3) a patient questionnaire.

Results: Forensic patients were significantly better engaged in rehabilitation groups than civil patients (by 17%) and slightly less disruptive (by 0.006%). There was no use of restrictive interventions. Most patients indicated that the program was helpful in preparing them for discharge (forensic: 60%, civil: 88%).

Conclusion: State psychiatric hospitals should seriously consider designing programs that allow integration of selected forensic inpatients with civil inpatients to promote environmental specificity and cost efficiency.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Hospital administrators and service planners, inpatient hospital staff, and consumer advocates.

REFERENCES:

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Friday, October 6
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

ROLE OF SPIRITUALITY IN THE PHARMACOLOGIC TREATMENT OF ACUTE DEPRESSION

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to assess whether enhanced spirituality and belief in God has any effect on helping with antidepressant treatment in acute depression.

SUMMARY:
Until recently minimal attention has been paid to the role of spirituality in psychiatric illness. It is the purpose of this report to examine the attitudes of acute depressed patients with regard to spirituality and to see whether these attitudes have any relationship to response to treatment with selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor response (SSRI) in alleviating depressive symptoms. To date, 84 patients have been treated for acute depression over an 8 week course. The 84 patients were treated with one of three SSRIs including escitalopram (N=34), sertraline (N=28) and paroxetine (N=22) with the choice being made on an open basis on clinical grounds as opposed to random assignment. All patients prior to receiving medications were rated with the Montgomery Asberg Depression Rating Scale (MADRS), the Beck Hopelessness Scale (BHS) and a 7 item religious and spirituality orientation scale as formulated by Goldfarb et. al. 1996 rated on a 5 point scale with 1=strongly agree and 5= strongly disagree with the lower score indicating greater spirituality. In addition the question of whether the patient believed in God or a universal spirit was asked on a Yes/No basis. Overall 68 patients believed in God or a universal spirit and 16 did not. The average improvement in MADRS score was 57% for those who believed in God or a universal spirit and 34% for those who did not (p<.02). With respect to Beck Hopelessness Scale there was a non-significant trend in that people who believed in God or a universal spirit had greater improvement vs. those ho did not (44% vs. 31%); With respect to the 7 item religious and spirituality orientation scale the average score for the responders (Lower number better) was 16.64 vs 27.63 for the non-responders (p<.00001) In conclusion it did appear that greater spiritual belief was associated with a better antidepressant response in acute depression.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists, psychologists, and clergy.

REFERENCES:
EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize and evaluate female anorgasmia induced by SSRI's and menopause; use the Sexual Function Index to assess sexual dysfunction and its improvement; and understand the use and limitations of off-label tadalafil in reversing female anorgasmia.

SUMMARY:
Objectives: The purpose of this preliminary study was to determine the response of women with SSRI or menopause-induced sexual dysfunction treated before sexual activity with tadalafil at varying dosages.
Methods: 10 anorgasmic women, ages 27 to 61, seven using SSRIs or NSRIs and seven menopausal, were entered in this open-label study. The patients received 10mg to 20mg of tadalafil to start, and were given the option to increase this dosage to 40 mg. Efficacy was assessed by giving the patients the Sexual Function Index created by Nurnberg et al. (2000) before they received tadalafil while suffering from sexual dysfunction and after trying tadalafil. The test quantifies the domains of interest, arousal, orgasm, lubrication, and overall sexual satisfaction, while predetermining that the sexual dysfunction was not present prior to SSRI use or menopause.
Results: Of the group, 10 participated in the study and were available for follow up. Mean baseline SFI score before therapy was 5.29 ± 0.93. The SFI score improved to 3.39 ± 1.95 at 40mg. The mean overall score improved by 35.9%. Only two patients of ten had a significant (over 60%) improvement in the mean SFI score. Side effects included upset stomach, cramping, and lower back pain.
Conclusions: The data suggests that tadalafil is well tolerated in anorgasmic women taking SSRIs or NSRIs or going through menopause. Overall sexual function did not improve significantly through the use of tadalafil, although there were improvements in all of the categories. Supported in part by the Minnesota Medical Foundation and the Psychopharmacology Fund.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Adult psychiatrists involved in treating depression in women.

REFERENCES:

SLEEP LABORATORY ASSESSMENT OF INDIPLON IN PRIMARY INSOMNIA
Supported by Neurocrine Biosciences and Pfizer Inc.

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, participants should be able to become familiar with a novel GABA_A receptor modulator for treatment of primary insomnia; and gain knowledge about the data regarding the efficacy and safety of a 15 mg dose of indiplon for primary insomnia.

SUMMARY:
Methods: 100 patients who met DSM-IV criteria for primary insomnia, and who reported >60 minutes of wake time after sleep onset, were randomized to a double-blind, 2-period, 2-night crossover sleep lab comparison of indiplon 15mg and placebo. Polysomnographic assessments included wake time during sleep, wake time after sleep onset, latency to persistent sleep, total sleep time and sleep quality.
Results: Treatment with indiplon was associated with significantly reduced WTDS (60.4 ± 3.5 min vs. 71.5 ± 3.6 min; p=0.0036), reduced WASO (73.9 ± 4.0 min vs. 83.0 ± 4.0 min; p=0.0190), significantly shorter LPS (12.5 ± 1.1 min vs. 26.1 ± 2.4 min; p<0.0001), and significantly longer TST (389.8 ± 4.9 min vs. 362.8 ± 5.0 min; p<0.0001) relative to placebo. Sleep quality was rated as significantly improved on indiplon (3.3 ± 0.1) compared to placebo (4.0 ± 0.1; p<0.0001). The incidence of adverse events was similar on indiplon (8.0%) and placebo (10.4%).
Conclusions: The 15 mg dose of indiplon was safe and effective in inducing and maintaining sleep in patients with primary insomnia. The following information concerns a use that has not been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Supported by funding from Neurocrine Biosciences and Pfizer Inc.

REFERENCES:
EXAMINING THE PREDICTORS OF SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND HIV-STATUS DISCLOSURE OVER TIME FOR PSYCHIATRIC OUTPATIENTS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to investigate changes in HIV-related psychosocial stressors (i.e., concealment of sexual orientation and HIV-status) over time; and understand the relationship between important demographic variables and disclosure of sexual orientation and HIV status.

SUMMARY:

Purpose: We investigated predictors of sexual orientation (SO) and HIV-status disclosure and the extent to which disclosure changes over time.

Methodology: Data came from an archival database and medical records for psychiatric outpatients at an urban HIV/AIDS clinic. Patients were asked about disclosure of both SO and HIV status at intervals of approximately 3 months using a five-point scale. We used up to four responses for each patient as the DV. As predictors, we included interpersonal functioning, HAART prescription history, age, ethnicity, partner status, employment, education, CD4 cell counts, and physical and mental health functioning. Analyses were performed using MIXOR. Our main hypothesis was that disclosure of HIV status would increase over time but SO disclosure would not.

Results: Contrary to our hypothesis, neither SO nor HIV-status disclosure changed significantly over time. Predictors of greater overall SO disclosure included better interpersonal functioning and white ethnicity. Predictors of greater overall HIV-status disclosure included better interpersonal functioning, a history of HAART prescription, white ethnicity, being unemployed, and years of education.

Conclusions: Although SO and HIV-status disclosure did not vary over time in our sample, there were some differences in the variables that predicted the patterns of disclosure. Specifically, HIV-related treatment, unemployment, and education were associated with greater HIV disclosure but not greater SO disclosure.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Primary Care Psychiatrists, HIV Psychiatrists and Consultation-Liaison Psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:


POSTER SESSION 4

AN EVALUATION OF LAMOTRIGINE TREATMENT FOR MAJOR BIPOLAR I DEPRESSION

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand patient response and tolerability to lamotrigine treatment.

SUMMARY:

Background: Lamotrigine has proven to be effective for the maintenance treatment of bipolar I disorder. There is also evidence for the effectiveness of lamotrigine in the acute treatment of depression. This study was designed to confirm lamotrigine efficacy for the treatment of bipolar depression.

Methods: A multicenter, double-blind, placebo-controlled, parallel, 8-week, monotherapy study was conducted with bipolar I patients experiencing a major depressive episode. The primary efficacy measure was mean change from baseline at Week 8 for the Montgomery-Asberg Depression Rating Scale (MADRS), analyzed via analysis of covariance with missing values handled via last observation carried forward. Secondary
efficacy measures included the Hamilton Depression Rating Scale and several subscales, the Mania Rating Scale (MRS) and the Clinical Global Impressions of Severity (CGI-S) and Improvement Scales (CGI-I). Safety was assessed by adverse event reporting.

Results: There was no significant difference between treatments in the mean change from baseline MADRS scores at Week 8 (lamotrigine vs placebo: −12.6 vs. −11.7, p=0.537). None of the secondary endpoints showed a significant treatment difference favoring lamotrigine. Adverse events included (placebo vs. lamotrigine): suicide ideation (3% vs. <1%), mania/hypomania/mixed episode (5% vs. 2%), and non-serious rash (2% vs. 6%). There were no reports of serious rash.

Conclusion: This study did not demonstrate lamotrigine’s efficacy in the acute treatment of depression in subjects with bipolar I disorder, though was numerically superior to pbo on most measures. Lamotrigine was generally well-tolerated.

REFERENCES:

Poster 145 Friday, October 6 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

BIPOLAR I DISORDER: LAMOTRIGINE TREATMENT WITH OR WITHOUT QUETIAPINE
Supported by GlaxoSmithKline

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand patient response and tolerability to lamotrigine treatment.

SUMMARY:
Objective: Lamotrigine is effective and well tolerated in clinical trials of patients with bipolar disorder. The current analysis investigated whether the clinical response and adverse event profiles differs in patients treated with lamotrigine (alone or with other medications) with or without concomitant quetiapine.

Methods: Secondary analysis was conducted from a prospective, open-label study of lamotrigine in patients with bipolar I disorder designed to assess the rate of rash in patients with or without specific dermatological precautions. Lamotrigine was administered for 12 weeks, including a 5-week titration period (target dosage 200 mg/day). Clinical Global Impression-Bipolar version (CGI-BP) Severity scores were recorded at baseline, week 5, and week 12 visits. Adverse events were recorded at weeks 5 and 12.

Results: Of the 1175 patients included in this study, 163 (13.9%) were receiving concomitant quetiapine. Statistically significant improvement was observed with lamotrigine with and without quetiapine from baseline in mean ± SD CGI-BP Severity Overall scores at week 5 (−0.6 ± 1.13 with quetiapine; −0.8 ± 1.07 without quetiapine, P<0.0001 for both groups) and at week 12 (−0.9 ± 1.26 with quetiapine; −1.1 ± 1.30 without quetiapine, P<0.0001 for both groups). There were no statistically significant differences between patients taking lamotrigine with or without concomitant quetiapine. At least one adverse event was reported by 66% of patients with quetiapine and 58% of those taking lamotrigine only. No serious rash was reported in the study.

Conclusion: These findings suggest that lamotrigine was well tolerated in patients with bipolar I disorder with and without concomitant quetiapine.

REFERENCES:

Poster 146 Friday, October 6 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

BIPOLAR I DISORDER: LAMOTRIGINE TREATMENT WITH OR WITHOUT VALPROATE
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand patient response and tolerability to lamotrigine treatment.

SUMMARY:
Objective: Lamotrigine was effective and well tolerated in clinical trials of bipolar disorder. The current analysis investigated whether the clinical response and adverse-event profiles differ in patients treated with lamotrigine (alone or with other medications) with or without concomitant valproate.

Methods: A post hoc analysis was conducted from a prospective, open-label study of lamotrigine in patients with bipolar I disorder designed to assess the rate of rash in patients with or without specific dermatological precautions. Lamotrigine was administered for 12 weeks, including a 5-week titration period (target dosage 200 mg/day). Clinical Global Impression-Bipolar version (CGI-BP) Severity scores were recorded at baseline, week-5, and week-12 visits, and adverse events were recorded at weeks 5 and 12.

Results: Of the 1175 patients included in the study, 260 (22%) were receiving concomitant valproate. Statistically significant improvement was observed with lamotrigine with and without valproate from baseline in mean ± SD CGI-BP Severity Overall scores at week 5 (−0.6 ± 1.18 with valproate and −0.8 ± 1.04 without valproate, P < 0.0001 for both groups) and at week 12 (−0.8 ± 1.40 with valproate and −0.8 ± 1.04 without valproate, P < 0.0001 for both groups). Patients without valproate had significantly greater mean CGI-BP Improvement scores at week 12 than those receiving valproate (P = 0.0025). At least one adverse event was reported by 63% of patients with valproate and 58% of those without valproate. No serious rash was reported in the study.

Conclusion: These findings suggest that lamotrigine is well tolerated in patients with bipolar I disorder with and without concomitant valproate.

REFERENCES:
PHARMACOKINETICS OF LISDEXAMFETAMINE WHEN TAKEN WITH OR WITHOUT FOOD
Supported by New River Pharmaceuticals and Shire Development, Inc.


EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to demonstrate whether food has an impact on the bioavailability and bioequivalence of d-amphetamine from LDX.

SUMMARY:
Background: LDX is a pharmacologically inactive prodrug in which d-amphetamine is bonded to l-lysine. Pharmacologically active d-amphetamine is gradually released only after metabolism of the prodrug. LDX was designed to have comparable efficacy and tolerability to available once-daily, stimulants with reduced potential for abuse.

Methods: Phase 1, open-label, single-dose, crossover study. After a 10-hour overnight fast, each subject received LDX 70 mg in solution or by capsule with or without a high-fat breakfast. Each subject received all 3 treatments randomly, separated by 7-day washouts. Safety was assessed by vital signs, adverse events, and ECG.

Results: A comparative analysis of d-amphetamine data showed no significant difference in AUC0-inf for the fasted, fed, and solution groups (1110, 1038, and 1074 ng·h/mL, respectively) or Cmax (69.3, 65.3, and 68.4 ng/mL, respectively). Bioequivalence analysis showed that fed/fasted and solution/fasted ratios for d-amphetamine AUC0-inf and Cmax all were within 90% CI for bioequivalence. Compared with the fasted group, Tmax for d-amphetamine and intact LDX were delayed by ~1 hour in the fed group. AEs were mild and occurred more frequently in the fasted group than the fed or solution groups. One-hour diastolic blood pressure increased by 4 mmHg in the solution group, while it decreased by 3 mmHg in the fed group.

Conclusions: Food had no effect on the bioequivalence of d-amphetamine but delayed Tmax of d-amphetamine and intact LDX by ~1 hour.

REFERENCES:
and 25.5% did not meet remission criteria but continued LAR treatment. At 4-month OL endpoint, 19% of patients had CGI-S scores of moderately ill or worse (decreased from 64%). Mean change from baseline in YMRS and MADRS scores were \(-9.1 \pm 12.4\) \((P<0.001)\) and \(-3.6 \pm 11.3\) \((P<0.001)\), respectively.

Conclusions: OL findings from this ongoing trial suggest that adjunctive treatment with LAR may reduce symptoms in FRBD patients.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinical psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

Poster 150  
Friday, October 6  
3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

PHARMACOKINETICS OF EXTENDED-RELEASE GUANFACINE IN CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS WITH ADHD  
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to evaluate the pharmacokinetics of single and multiple oral doses of extended-release guanfacine in children and adolescents with ADHD.

SUMMARY:
Background: Guanfacine IR, an \(\alpha_2\)-adrenoceptor agonist, has been used off-label as a nonstimulant therapy for ADHD, but it has a short duration of action.

Methods: Open-label, dose-escalation study in children (aged 6–12 years) and adolescents (aged 13–17 years) with ADHD. Subjects received a single 2-mg dose on day 1. On days 9–15, subjects received 2 mg/qd; on days 16–22, 3 mg/qd; and on days 23–29, 4 mg/qd.

Results: GXR pharmacokinetics were linear in children \((n=14)\) and adolescents \((n=14)\). \(AUC\) and \(C_{\text{max}}\) were higher in children than in adolescents. \(AUC_{0-\infty}\) was \(65.2 \pm 23.88\) h-ng/mL in children and \(47.3 \pm 13.69\) h-ng/mL in adolescents, post-single dose, whereas \(C_{\text{max}}\) was \(2.6 \pm 1.03\) ng/mL and \(1.7 \pm 0.43\) ng/mL, respectively. No discontinuations occurred due to adverse events. Most frequent AEs were somnolence, insomnia, headache, and blurred vision. Most were mild to moderate in intensity, with the highest incidence associated with the 4 mg doses. Blood pressure, pulse, and ECG readings were all within normal limits.

Conclusions: Plasma concentrations and pharmacokinetic parameters of GXR were higher in children than in adolescents, probably due to the higher weight in adolescents. GXR exposure in both groups was approximately twice as high after repeated daily administration of 4 mg than after 2 mg, consistent with linear pharmacokinetics. GXR was well tolerated.

REFERENCES:

Poster 151  
Friday, October 6  
3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

COMBINATION THERAPY FOR ACUTE MANIA  
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to: understand the dosage, response and tolerability of combination therapy with divalproex sodium and an atypical antipsychotic for acute mania.

SUMMARY:
In order to analyze the efficacy and tolerability of combination treatment of acute mania, we conducted a retrospective chart review of 50 consecutive patients admitted to a psychiatric hospital with a diagnosis of acute mania and treated with combination therapy of
divalproex sodium and an atypical antipsychotic. The patients (28 females, 22 males) ranged in age from 19 years old to 69 years old; mean age was 42. Of the 50 patients, 29 were psychotic at the time of admission. The divalproex sodium dosage ranged from 750 mg/day to 2000 mg/day. Fifteen patients received olanzapine, 10 received quetiapine, 9 received ziprasidone, 8 received aripiprazole and 8 received risperidone. The combination treatment of divalproex sodium and atypical antipsychotic was both effective and well tolerated. All 50 patients responded well to treatment becoming euthymic prior to discharge. All 29 patients with psychotic symptoms were no longer psychotic. The length of stay ranged from 5 days to 33 days, with an average length of stay of 12 days.

Only two patients experienced moderate side effects (one with sedation, the other with restlessness); both patients were able to tolerate the combination therapy and respond to treatment.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists, administrators, nurses, pharmacists, social workers.

REFERENCES:

Poster 152 Friday, October 6 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

DURABILITY OF ANTIDEPRESSANT RESPONSE TO VAGUS NERVE STIMULATION
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand the importance of the need for an enduring benefit for treatments of treatment-resistant depression.

SUMMARY:
Objective: Vagus nerve stimulation (VNS) has shown efficacy in treatment-resistant depression (TRD). This study characterized the durability of improvement in patients who responded early or late while receiving VNS.

Methods: In both a pilot and pivotal study, patients were identified who had at least a 50% reduction in symptom scores 3 months (early responders) or 12 months (late responders) after starting VNS. Probabilities were determined for maintenance of response at 12-month (early responders) and 24-month (early and late responders) time points. Consistency of symptomatic improvement throughout the 24-month study periods was also evaluated, testing for change in serial depression ratings. The potential confound of alternations in antidepressant treatment was examined in the pivotal trial.

Results: In the pilot study, 72.2% and 61.1% of early responders (n=18) were responders at 12 and 24 months, respectively; 78.8% of late responders (n=14) were responders at 24 months. In the pivotal trial, of early responders (n=30), 63.3% and 76.7% maintained response at 12 and 24 months, respectively; of late responders (n=40), 65.0% maintained response at 24 months. Early and late responders had fewer treatment changes than nonresponders across the entire pivotal study period. In both studies, analyses of serial depression ratings showed stable symptomatic improvement in early and late responders.

Conclusion: These patients had exceptional levels of chronicity and treatment resistance. Yet patients who showed substantial clinical benefit early or late after starting VNS maintained the improvement at remarkably high rates. This durability of benefit was not attributable to alterations in other treatments.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinicians treating treatment-resistant depression.

REFERENCES:
SURVEY EVALUATION OF ABUSE POTENTIAL OF SHORT-ACTING VERSUS LONG-ACTING STIMULANTS IN ADHD
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to describe the abuse potential of stimulants used to treat ADHD and recognize the greater likelihood of abuse with short-acting versus long-acting stimulants.

SUMMARY:
Subjects receiving treatment for attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) were surveyed to assess the abuse potential of commonly used short-acting and long-acting stimulant medications. This is an interim analysis of the ongoing survey intended to be distributed to nearly 1000 respondents enrolled in an ADHD treatment center. Respondents were polled about the type of stimulant medication most frequently misused or abused (short-acting or long-acting) and how the stimulant was prepared and administered (crushed and inhaled; crushed and injected; soaked overnight in water and injected or consumed orally; heated in a microwave to melt down and inject, drink, or snort). A total of 335 surveys have been returned to date. Nearly 90% (n=301) had a diagnosis of ADHD; the remaining 10% (n=34) were diagnosed with some form of substance abuse disorder. The majority (81%) of respondents with ADHD also had some form of substance abuse disorder. Seventy-three (22%) of the respondents reported stimulant abuse—59 (81%) with short-acting stimulants and 12 (16%) with long-acting stimulants; 2 (3%) abused both. The most frequently reported method of preparation was crushing and inhalation (n=59; 81%). Short-acting stimulants were involved to a greater extent than long-acting stimulants in misuse/abuse reported by subjects. This suggests a relative benefit of long-acting agents in ensuring appropriate stimulant use and decreased stimulant misuse/diversion.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists who treat ADHD.

REFERENCES:

Poster 155  

ADHD SYMPTOM IMPROVEMENT IN CHILDREN WITH LISDEXAMFETAMINE AND MAS XR VERSUS PLACEBO 

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to determine whether LDX improves ADHD symptoms in school-aged children compared with MAS XR and placebo.

SUMMARY:

Background: LDX is a pharmacologically inactive prodrug in which \(d\)-amphetamine is bonded to \(l\)-lysine. Pharmacologically active \(d\)-amphetamine is gradually released only after metabolism of the prodrug. LDX was designed to have comparable efficacy and tolerability to available once-daily stimulants, with reduced potential for abuse.

Methods: Phase 2, multicenter study conducted in an analog classroom environment, comparing LDX (30 mg, 50 mg, or 70 mg) and MAS XR (10 mg, 20 mg, or 30 mg) with placebo, in children (6–12 years) with ADHD who had been treated with a stimulant for \(f1\) month within the past 6 months. Efficacy measures included the SKAMP and PERMP.

Results: LS mean SKAMP-deportment scores significantly improved with LDX (0.8) and MAS XR (0.8) vs placebo (1.7) (\(P<.0001\), for both). Significant improvement in LS mean PERMP-attempted (LDX, 133.3; MAS XR, 133.6; placebo, 88.2 [\(P<.0001\), for both]) and PERMP-correct scores (LDX, 129.6; MAS XR, 129.4; placebo, 84.1 [\(P<.0001\), for both]) was also seen with both active treatments vs placebo. AEs were mild to moderate and comparable between active treatment groups. The most common AEs for LDX were insomnia, decreased appetite, and anorexia; for MAS XR, they were decreased appetite, upper abdominal pain, insomnia, and vomiting.

Conclusions: LDX and MAS XR resulted in comparable, significant improvements in ADHD symptom control versus placebo and were generally well tolerated in school-aged children with ADHD.

REFERENCES:


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EFFICACY AND SAFETY OF LISDEXAMFETAMINE IN CHILDREN WITH ADHD 

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to evaluate the efficacy and safety of LDX compared with placebo in school-aged children (6–12 years of age) with ADHD.

SUMMARY:

Background: LDX is a pharmacologically inactive prodrug in which \(d\)-amphetamine is bonded to \(l\)-lysine. Pharmacologically active \(d\)-amphetamine is gradually released only after metabolism of the prodrug. LDX was designed to have comparable efficacy and tolerability to available once-daily, stimulants with reduced potential for abuse.

Methods: Phase 3, randomized, multicenter, double-blind, forced-titration, parallel-group study of children (6–12 yrs) with ADHD. Subjects underwent a one-week washout and were randomized in a 1:1:1:1 ratio to a single daily dose of LDX (30 mg, 50 mg, or 70 mg) or placebo. The primary efficacy measure was the ADHD-RS. Safety parameters assessed were vital signs, laboratory tests, ECG, and adverse events.

Results: At study end, the ADHD-RS changes from baseline were \(-6.2, -21.8, -23.4, \) and \(-26.7\) for LDX, 30 mg, 50 mg, and 70 mg, respectively. Significant improvements in ADHD symptoms were seen with all doses of LDX compared with placebo (\(P<0.0001\)). Significant differences for all doses of LDX vs placebo were observed as early as week 1 (\(P<0.0001\) for all
Most AEs were mild to moderate and occurred in the first week. The most common AEs were decreased appetite, insomnia, headache, and upper abdominal pain.

**Conclusions:** In children (6–12 yrs) with ADHD, short-term treatment with LDX significantly improved ADHD symptoms and was generally well tolerated.

**REFERENCES:**

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**Poster 157**
Friday, October 6
3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

**VALPROATE IN CHILD/ADOLESCENT BIPOLAR DISORDER: COMPREHENSIVE META-ANALYSIS**
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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this presentation, the participant should be able to summarize current results of the psychopharmacology of pediatric bipolar disorder that utilize structured interviews; and review efficacy data and response rates to valproic acid in this population.

**SUMMARY:**
Objective: To assess valproate efficacy on validated scales in children with bipolar disorder via a review and meta-analysis of the literature. Method: PubMed searches conducted in June 2003, September 2005, and May 2006, identified 101 reports of valproate use in patients aged ≤ 18 years with bipolar disorder. Nineteen viable studies were analyzed, based on inclusion criteria of utilizing a structured interview scale and therapeutic valproate level. No reports including patients with comorbid seizure disorder were identified. Results: Nineteen published reports included 380 patients ≤ 18 years with bipolar disorder treated with valproate, alone or in combination. The mean serum valproate level across studies was 84.40 mcg/mL ± 10.37. Overall, 278 (73%) patients achieved > 30% improvement on evaluation scales (including Young Mania Rating Scale [YMRS], Mania Rating Scale [MRS], Modified Mania Rating Scale [MMRS], Clinical Global Impression [CGI], and Overt Aggression Scale [OAS]). In trials that defined response as > 50% improvement on YMRS, MRS, or MMRS or remission (YMRS score ≤12), 112 of 174 (64%) patients responded. Conclusion: Based on potential benefits of valproate in children and adolescents with bipolar disorder without comorbid epilepsy demonstrated in this meta-analysis, further investigation of valproate in this setting is warranted.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Psychiatrists and other health care professionals treating children and adolescents with bipolar and mood disorders or mania.

**REFERENCES:**
examined the metabolic changes associated with divalproex ER in the total study population, and in various sub-populations. Analyses included 377 subjects (192 divalproex ER; 185 placebo). Divalproex ER produced significant reductions in total cholesterol, LDL and HDL cholesterol compared to placebo in the total study population, with no significant change in LDL/HDL ratio. Treatment with divalproex ER was associated with significant weight gain compared to placebo (p < 0.05), but was not associated with any significant changes in glucose. Although divalproex ER is associated with weight gain, it is not associated with other negative metabolic changes such as increased glucose and cholesterol.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinicians managing patients with bipolar disorder.

REFERENCES:

Poster 159
Friday, October 6
3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
DIVALPROEX SODIUM EXTENDED-RELEASE VERSUS PLACEBO IN THE TREATMENT OF ACUTE MANIA
Supported by Abbott Laboratories

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to evaluate the safety and efficacy of divalproex extended-release (ER) for the treatment of adult bipolar I disorder, manic or mixed type.

SUMMARY:
A 21-day, randomized, placebo-controlled, parallel-group study was conducted in adult patients hospitalized for acute mania associated with bipolar I disorder. Divalproex ER dosing was initiated at 25 mg/kg/day QD, increased by 500 mg on Day 3, and adjusted to a target serum valproate level of 85–125 mcg/mL. Efficacy assessments included the Mania Rating Scale (MRS; primary endpoint), and percentage of patients meeting criteria for response (50% improvement on the MRS). Intent-to-treat efficacy analyses included 364 patients (187 divalproex ER; 177 placebo). The mean final dose of divalproex ER was 3097 mg with a mean final serum valproate level of 95.7 mcg/mL. Divalproex ER produced superior improvements vs. placebo on the MRS, and more divalproex ER patients met responder criteria versus placebo (all p < 0.05). More adverse events were reported and more premature discontinuations occurred in the divalproex ER group vs. placebo. Adverse events reported by >15% of patients treated with divalproex ER were: diarrhea, dizziness, dyspepsia, headache, nausea, somnolence, and vomiting. Divalproex ER is a safe and effective treatment for bipolar I disorder, manic or mixed type.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinicians managing patients with bipolar disorder.

REFERENCES:
SUMMARY:

Background: LDX is a pharmacologically inactive prodrug in which d-amphetamine is bonded to l-lysine. Pharmacologically active d-amphetamine is gradually released only after metabolism of the prodrug. LDX was designed to have comparable efficacy and tolerability to available once-daily, stimulants with reduced potential for abuse.

Methods: Single intranasal (IN), intravenous (IV), and oral (PO) LDX or d-amphetamine sulfate doses were administered to groups of 4 male Sprague-Dawley rats. Plasma samples were collected at predefined times postdose.

Results: AUC_{last} for d-amphetamine was 95% less, C_{max} 96% less, and T_{max} ~12 times longer with IN doses of LDX compared with d-amphetamine sulfate. With IV LDX compared with d-amphetamine sulfate, d-amphetamine AUC_{inf} was ~50% less, C_{max} 75% less, and T_{max} ~6 times longer. When LDX and d-amphetamine sulfate are given PO, differences between d-amphetamine PK were modest near therapeutic doses but substantial at higher doses. For LDX (compared with d-amphetamine sulfate), AUC_{inf} was 40%–76% less at higher doses, C_{max} was ~50% less at therapeutic doses but 73%–84% less at higher doses, and T_{max} was 0–12 times longer at therapeutic doses but 5–20 times longer at higher doses. Bioavailability of d-amphetamine from LDX or d-amphetamine sulfate was similar with PO doses within the HED range, however, bioavailability for d-amphetamine from LDX decreased relative to d-amphetamine sulfate as doses increased.

Conclusions: IN or IV LDX (vs IN or IV d-amphetamine sulfate) substantially decreased and delayed bioavailability of d-amphetamine. At therapeutic HEDs, PO-administered LDX and d-amphetamine sulfate led to almost equal bioavailability of d-amphetamine, but at higher doses bioavailability of d-amphetamine decreased for LDX relative to d-amphetamine sulfate. These results suggest that LDX may be an effective, long-lasting stimulant with reduced abuse potential.

REFERENCES:


Poster 161  
Friday, October 6  
3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

SERTRALINE’S SIDE EFFECT BURDEN IS SIGNIFICANTLY LOWER THAN OTHER SSRI/SSNRI’S

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the end of the poster presentation, the participant should be able to demonstrate an understanding of the impact of SSRI/SSNRI side effect burden, SEB, on patient adherence; evaluate the impact of non adherence on the long-term course of affective and anxiety spectrum disorders; recognize the three side effects that have the greatest impact on patient adherence, sexual side effects, weight gain, and sedation; understand the rank order of SSRI/SSNRI agents in regards to these effects; and demonstrate the concept of choosing an SSRI/SSNRI on the basis of its side effect profile to facilitate patient adherence, and enhance patient clinical outcomes.

SUMMARY:

Background: Side effect burden, SEB, dramatically affects patient adherence. Non adherence can adversely effect the course of affective and anxiety spectrum disorders. Significant SEB differences could guide physicians in choosing an antidepressant thereby improving patient outcomes.

Hypothesis: Can important differences in SEB be demonstrated between SSRI/SSNRI antidepressants?

Method: Electronic medical records (Behavior2006) of all patients (14,365) seen in a private inpatient/outpatient practice between 1998 and 2005 were screened for treatment with an SSRI/SSNRI. 7,807 had been on an SSRI/SSNRI; 3,646 of these had two or more visits. Demographics, dose, duration and SEB of the latter were assessed.

Results: Patient cohorts ranged from 624 for escitalopram to 1,226 for sertraline; ages from 3 to 100 years; 98% were Caucasian; 61% female; doses ranged from a fraction of the usual starting dose to as much as 100% of the FDA recommended upper level dose for a minority of patients; 52% on the agent for >1 year. SEB (in order from most to least).

Sexual function - citalopram, paroxetine, venlafaxine, escitalopram, fluoxetine, and sertraline; weight gain - paroxetine, citalopram, venlafaxine, escitalopram, flu-
oxetine and sertraline; sedation - citalopram, escitalopram, paroxetine, venlafaxine, fluoxetine and sertraline.

Discussion: This was an open label, naturalistic, retrospective chart review. These data suggest that meaningful differences do exist in the SEB among SSRI/SSNRI. These data are predicted by Richelson’s elucidation of the unique receptor profiles of each SSRI/SSNRI. These data could help guide physician decision making and contribute to patient long-term outcomes.

Conclusion: There are demonstrable differences among the SSRI/SSNRI’s in regards to their SEB. Sertraline was least burdensome (followed by fluoxetine) while citalopram and paroxetine were most burdensome. These data are preliminary. Further work on this subject is needed.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Practicing clinicians.

REFERENCES:

Poster 162  Friday, October 6 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

GEODON FOR MAJOR DEPRESSION, PSYCHOTIC/NON-Psychotic; SAFE AND EFFECTIVE AS AUGMENTATION OR MONOTHERAPY

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to determine whether or not Geodon should be used to treat psychotic and non-psychotic major depression.

SUMMARY:
Introduction: Stahl’s receptor data on atypical antipsychotics shows serotonin, norepinephrine and dopamine reuptake blockade for Geodon. We analyzed our data on Geodon in Major Depression with and without psychosis, with (augmentation) and without (monotherapy) an accompanying antidepressant for signs of antidepressant efficacy.

Method: Major Depression psychotic (68) and non psychotic (75) patients from 2001 to 2005 were reviewed with an electronic medical record (Behavior2005). In each group those on an antidepressant “augmentation”, 65 and 62 respectively and those on no antidepressant “monotherapy”, 3 and 13 respectively were identified.

Results: Demographics were similar in all groups: ages 8 to 84 years, 93% Caucasian, 57% female. Average length of follow-up was 140 days psychotic, 85 days non psychotic; average daily doses were 154 mg/d psychotic, 114 mg/d non psychotic. In the monotherapy groups two adverse events were seen in the psychotic group of 3 patients (sedation 1, akathisia 1); no adverse events were seen in the non psychotic group (n = 13). All groups, including the monotherapy (no antidepressant) groups improved significantly with p values in the 0.005 to 0.001 range.

Discussion: Stahl’s receptor data on Geodon may have clinical significance. Clinical improvement was impressive with the augmentation groups as well as the small monotherapy groups, 3 and 13. Geodon acting as an “antidepressant” (without weight gain or sexual side effects) would be a welcome addition to our pharmacologic armamentarium.

Conclusion: Geodon appears to offer antidepressant efficacy and safety for both psychotic and non psychotic major depression; however, more study is needed.

REFERENCES:

Poster 163  Friday, October 6 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

CHILDHOOD SEXUAL ABUSE DISCLOSURE BY WOMEN IN THE POSTPARTUM PERIOD

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this presentation, participants will have a raised awareness of the childhood sexual abuse (CSA) disclosure rates in a postpartum population; and understand how CSA impacts the treatment of postpartum depression.

SUMMARY:

Objective: To raise awareness about reporting of the childhood sexual abuse (CSA) by women with diagnosis of Major Depressive Disorder, Postpartum Onset (PPD); implications for treating physicians is discussed.

Methods: The occurrence of PPD with/without co-morbid anxiety disorders was assessed in patients referred to the Reproductive Mental Health Program. Information was gathered about the frequency of CSA disclosure during the diagnostic interview by conducting a retrospective chart review.

Results: Of 354 patients referred, 50 patients (14%) reported a history of CSA during their initial assessment. Further breakdown of “postpartum diagnosis” among these 50 women revealed that 32% had a single Axis I diagnosis of PPD, 44% had PPD, plus additional Axis I diagnosis of Panic Disorder and/or Obsessive Compulsive Disorder, and 24% had PPD plus Posttraumatic Stress Disorder.

Conclusions: The number of women in our sample who reported sexual abuse was found to be below the estimated prevalence rate (20–25%) in the community and significantly lower than the rates found in other psychiatric populations (46–70%). Reluctance to expose the distressing issue of CSA has significant diagnostic, prognostic and treatment implications which will be explored.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

Poster 164 Friday, October 6 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

ESCITALOPRAM SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVES CORE SYMPTOMS OF DEPRESSION
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand escitalopram’s effect on the core symptoms of depression.

SUMMARY:

Introduction: Depressed mood and melancholic features are recognized as core symptoms of depression. Escitalopram is the most selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor (SSRI) indicated for major depressive disorder or generalized anxiety disorder.

Methods: Four 8-week, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trials of escitalopram 10-20 mg/day in adults have prospectively assessed the HAMD, HAMD depressed mood item, and the 6-item HAMD melancholia subscale (depressed mood, guilt, work and activities, retardation, psychic anxiety, and general somatic symptoms) as protocol-defined secondary endpoints. Male or female outpatients had moderate-to-severe DSM-IV-defined major depressive disorder (baseline MADRS>=22 for three trials, baseline 24-item HAMD>=25 for the fourth trial).

Results: Three of the four trials demonstrated separation of escitalopram from placebo at week 8 in the primary efficacy measure of MADRS total score; in the fourth trial, both escitalopram and the active control failed to separate from placebo. In all 4 trials, escitalopram was significantly superior to placebo in change from baseline at week 8 for both HAMD depressed mood and HAMD melancholia subscale (OC; for LOCF, this occurred in three of the trials). When all 4 trials were pooled, each component item of the HAMD melancholia subscale was significantly improved by escitalopram versus placebo (p<0.05), and the LSMD [95%CI] at week 8 (LOCF) for the HAMD melancholia subscale for escitalopram (N=639) versus placebo (N=527) was −1.37 [−1.84, −0.89].

Conclusion: Escitalopram has a consistent effect on the core symptoms of depression.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists, and clinicians.

REFERENCES:
RISPERIDONE TREATMENT OF RESISTANT DEPRESSION: A DOUBLE-BLIND, RANDOMIZED TRIAL
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to evaluate the efficacy of risperidone added to standard antidepressants in patients with resistant major depressive disorder.

SUMMARY:
Background: Many patients with major depressive disorder (MDD) are suboptimally responsive to antidepressants. Few treatments are effective for such patients.
Methods: Patients with persistent symptoms of MDD after 8 weeks’ adequate treatment with antidepressants were randomized to the addition of risperidone or placebo for 6 weeks. The primary efficacy endpoint was change in HAM-D-17 at week-4 endpoint.
Results: 463 patients met criteria for nonresponse to antidepressants; 141 were randomized to adjunctive risperidone and 133 to adjunctive placebo. Mean modal dose of risperidone was 0.89 ± 0.2 mg/day at week-4 endpoint (1.12 ± 0.46 mg/day at week-6 endpoint). HAM-D-17 scores were reduced from 24.2 ± 4.7 with risperidone and 24.6 ± 5.4 with placebo to 15.6 ± 7.0 and 17.5 ± 7.0, respectively, at week-4 endpoint (p<0.03); and to 14.1 ± 7.4 and 16.7 ± 7.5 at week-6 endpoint (p<0.01). Significantly greater improvements at week-6 endpoint were noted with risperidone on the patient-rated Sheehan Disability Scale (p<0.001) and Patient Global Improvement Scale (p<0.05). Adverse events reported in 65% of risperidone or placebo patients were dry mouth (5% and 1%), headache (9% and 15%), and somnolence (5% and 2%). No extrapyramidal adverse events were reported.
Conclusions: Risperidone was effective in reducing symptoms for patients with MDD who are suboptimally responsive to standard antidepressants.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

SAFETY AND EFFICACY OF LAMOTRIGINE FOR ADULT BIPOLAR DISORDER PATIENTS GREATER THAN 55 YEARS OLD
Supported by GlaxoSmithKline

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this presentation, the participant should be able to understand patient response and tolerability to lamotrigine treatment.

SUMMARY:
Objective: Lamotrigine is effective in the maintenance treatment of bipolar disorder in adults. This study assessed the effectiveness and safety of lamotrigine in adults greater than 55 years of age.
Method: A chart review of 49 outpatients older than 55 years of age with DSM-IV bipolar disorder and treated with lamotrigine was conducted (77% female; 55% bipolar I, 31% bipolar II, and 14% bipolar NOS). Charts of subjects who received lamotrigine in a private practice setting between October, 1998 and May, 2004 were reviewed. The final mean lamotrigine dose was 109.2 ± 90.1 mg/d. Treatment response was assessed with the Clinical Global Impression-Improvement (CGI-I) scale (1 = very much improved; 2 = much improved; 3 = minimally improved). Relapse was defined as a mood change that occurs 4 weeks after initiation of medication or the return of symptoms from the original episode.
Results: Thirty-two subjects (65%) taking lamotrigine were very much improved, much improved, and minimally improved (CGI-I score: 1, 14%; 2, 35%; 3, 16%), which reflects slightly lower efficacy than in the overall adult population. Nineteen subjects (39%) relapsed and rates were relatively similar among bipolar disorder subtypes. Rates of the most frequently reported side effects,
which were non-serious-rash (20%) and insomnia (6%), were higher than those observed in the overall adult patient population

Conclusion: Lamotrigine appears effective in the treatment of bipolar disorder in adult patients older than 55 years of age, though this subpopulation did not respond as well as the overall adult population. Those older than 55 years of age tolerated lamotrigine relatively well. These data are encouraging for the use of lamotrigine in patients with bipolar disorder who are older than 55 years of age, thus larger scale studies should be undertaken to further investigate these results.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists treating elderly bipolar disorder patients.

REFERENCES:

Poster 167  
Friday, October 6
3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

EFFECTIVENESS OF QUETIAPINE IN A CLINICAL SETTING
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize that quetiapine appears effective in bipolar disorder patients in a clinical setting, with a moderate discontinuation rate and commonly not requiring subsequent additional pharmacotherapy.

SUMMARY:
Objective: Assess quetiapine effectiveness in bipolar disorder (BD).
Method: Quetiapine was administered to outpatients assessed with the STEP-BD Affective Disorders Evaluation, and followed with the STEP-BD Clinical Monitoring Form.
Results: 96 BD (36 type I, 50 type II, 9 NOS, 1 Schizoaffective Bipolar Type) patients (age 42.3±13.8, 67% female) had 99 quetiapine trials. Patients were taking 2.6±1.6 other psychotropic and 0.9±1.4 non-psychotropic medications and received quetiapine 374±357 days (final dose 197±274 mg/day). 39% trials had quetiapine discontinued; 19% for CNS adverse effects (primarily sedation), 9% for inefficacy, 6% for nonadherence, 1% for nausea/vomiting, and 4% for other reasons. 36% trials required subsequent additional pharmacotherapy (at 106±122 days); 23% for depression; 7% for mood elevation, 5% for anxiety/insomnia, and 1% for weight control. Thus, in 38% trials quetiapine was continued (duration 313±335 days) with no subsequent psychotropic added, in 22% trials quetiapine was continued (duration 613±403 days) but had subsequent psychotropic added (at 113±143 days), and in 39% trials, quetiapine was discontinued (at 299±295 days).
Conclusion: Quetiapine had a moderate (39%) discontinuation rate and patients commonly did not require subsequent additional pharmacotherapy, suggesting effectiveness in a clinical setting. This research was conducted with support from the Investigator-Sponsored Study Program of AstraZeneca.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinicians treating patients with bipolar disorder.

REFERENCES:

Poster 168  
Friday, October 6
3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

DIFFERENTIAL WEIGHT GAIN ON DIVALPROEX DELAYED-RELEASE AND DIVALPROEX EXTENDED-RELEASE
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to discuss the differential effects of Divalproex DR and Divalproex ER on weight changes during long-term treatment.

SUMMARY:

Introduction: Of 55 consecutive psychiatric patients who gave informed consent to switch from Divalproex DR to an equal dose of Divalproex ER, 37 had been on Divalproex DR for at least one month. A previous paper reported on the change in blood levels, adverse events, and psychiatric symptoms as a result of the switch. Placebo control trials of Divalproex DR and Divalproex ER had shown a lower prevalence of weight gain with Divalproex ER, but these were not head to head trials.

Method: In this study 37 patients were followed after the switch for as long as they had been on Divalproex DR prior to the switch, to compare weight change in the same patients on both medications. Results: The 37 patients had been on Divalproex DR for an average of 377 days prior to the switch (median = 328). Their mean weight at baseline was 183.4 lbs, BMI = 28.1. At the switch the mean weight was 190.1, (BMI = 29.2), up 6.7 lbs. At follow-up, an average of 383 days after the switch (median = 344), their weight was 188.1 lbs, a change of −2.0 lbs. The difference between Divalproex DR and ER is significant. (paired t = .0056) 34 patients were on 1–3 concomitant medications. Only 10 of these patients had a change of concomitant medications during the study period. When these ten patients are excluded, there was no significant change in the results. (paired t = .0053)

Conclusion: Divalproex ER is preferable to Divalproex DR with regard to weight change over a one year period.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Interdisciplinary psychiatric clinicians.

REFERENCES:

PHARMACOKINETICS OF LISDEXAMFETAMINE VERSUS D-AMPHETAMINE IN ADULTS WITH A HISTORY OF STIMULANT ABUSE

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to evaluate the PK profile and abuse potential of LDX (30 mg to 150 mg) in adults with a history of stimulant abuse.

SUMMARY:

Background: LDX is a pharmacologically inactive prodrug in which d-amphetamine is bonded to l-lysine. Pharmacologically active d-amphetamine is gradually released only after metabolism of the prodrug. LDX was designed to have comparable efficacy and tolerability to available once-daily stimulants with reduced potential for abuse.

Methods: Subjects were divided into 3 cohorts of 4. All received single escalating doses of LDX at 48-hour intervals, with d-amphetamine 40 mg and placebo randomly interspersed.

Results: d-amphetamine AUC_{last} over the first 4 hours was substantially lower with 100 mg LDX (165.3–213.1 ng/mL) vs 40 mg d-amphetamine sulfate (245.5–316.8 ng/mL). C_{max} and AUC_{last} increased with doses of 30 mg to 130 mg LDX. Attenuation of maximum concentration between 130 mg and 150 mg LDX suggests higher doses of LDX may not lead to further increases in C_{max} and AUC_{last}. T_{max} (h) of d-amphetamine was longer for LDX (3.78–4.25) vs d-amphetamine sulfate (1.88–2.74). Half-life of LDX (0.44–0.76 h) indicated rapid clearance of the prodrug. Adverse effects were mild in severity. LDX had a slower release of d-amphetamine compared with d-amphetamine sulfate.

Conclusion: These results indicate there is a gradual conversion of LDX that may lead to less abuse and improved safety.

REFERENCES:


EVALUATING THE EFFECTS OF BUPROPION XL, SERTALINE, AND S-CITALOPRAM ON CORE MAJOR DEPRESSIVE DISORDER SYMPTOMS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this presentation, the participant should be able to identify differential effects of bupropion XL, s-citalopram, and sertraline on specific core symptoms of depression: pleasure, interest, energy and concentration; and review a novel patient assessment and monitoring tool used to evaluate patients with MDD.

SUMMARY:

Many patients with major depression present with low energy, diminished pleasure, and an inability to concentrate. As these symptoms typically respond well to antidepressants with noradrenergic and/or dopaminergic effects, bupropion would appear to be an effective treatment choice for patients with these symptoms.

This retrospective chart review of patients with MDD treated with bupropion XL, sertraline or s-citalopram evaluated changes in responses to the PROS-D patient assessment and monitoring questionnaire. The mean change for bupropion was −1.21, −0.93, −1.43 and −1.29, for sertraline the changes were −1.44, −1.11, −0.56, and for s-citalopram the changes were −0.85, −0.92, −0.46 and −0.46 for items #1, 2, 4 and 5 of the PROS-D Scale. Based on these data, the average change in energy and concentration favored bupropion when compared to both s-citalopram and sertraline. The average change in pleasure and interest was also greater with bupropion when compared to s-citalopram; although numerically lower than sertraline. As limited by a relatively small sample size and retrospective nature, a larger controlled
analysis is needed to duplicate and confirm these findings.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Practicing psychiatrists.

**REFERENCES:**

**Poster 172**  
Friday, October 6  
3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

**FEATURES OF ADULTS WITH SUICIDAL BEHAVIOR IN CLINICAL TRIALS OF PAROXETINE**  
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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize clinical characteristics of adult patients with suicidal behavior in randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled clinical trials of paroxetine.

**SUMMARY:**  
GlaxoSmithKline (GSK) conducted a meta-analysis of suicidality in placebo-controlled trials of paroxetine in adult patients. A summary of the clinical characteristics of patients with definitive suicidal behavior (DSB) is presented; other suicidality events (e.g., suicidal ideation) are not presented. Methods: Potential cases of DSB were identified via adverse event (AE) text string searches, review of serious AE narratives, and review of comment fields in Case Report Forms. Cases were then reviewed by external suicide experts and classified into different suicidality categories. Cases of DSB were examined for emerging patterns of clinical characteristics. Results: Major Depression: DSB occurred in 7/5238 (0.13%) paroxetine- and 4/3693 (0.11%) placebo-treated patients. These patients had a more heterogeneous clinical picture, with evidence of clinical worsening in some prior to the event. Conclusion: Understanding DSB is an important component of assessing suicidality in psychiatric patients. All patients, particularly young adults, with or without apparent clinical improvement, should receive careful monitoring for suicidality during paroxetine therapy.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Practicing adult psychiatrists and clinicians who treat depression and anxiety disorders.

**REFERENCES:**

**Poster 173**  
Friday, October 6  
3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

**ASSESSING SUICIDALITY IN PATIENTS WITH BIPOLAR DISORDER ON LONG-ACTING RISPERIDONE**  
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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this presentation, participants will be familiar with the measurement of suicidal thinking and its response to treatment with a long-acting, atypical antipsychotic in patients with frequently relapsing bipolar disorder (FRBD).

**SUMMARY:**  
Objective: To evaluate the effects of long-acting risperidone (LAR) on suicidal thinking in patients with frequently relapsing bipolar disorder (FRBD).
Methods: Patients meeting DSM-IV diagnostic criteria for bipolar disorder, with 4 episodes requiring clinical intervention within 12 months, received open-label augmentation of treatment-as-usual with LAR (25–50 mg/2 weeks) for 16 weeks in the initial phase of an ongoing trial. Measures of suicidal thinking included the InterSePT Scale for Suicidal Thinking-Revised (ISST-R, range 0–24) and Montgomery-Åsberg Depression Rating Scale Item 10 (MADRS-10; range 0–6) at baseline and endpoint. Changes in suicidal thinking were assessed with non-parametric and parametric tests.

Results: Of 275 subjects, 230 provided ISST-R scores at baseline and post-baseline. Of 53 with baseline suicidality, 70% had no suicidality at endpoint, while 91% of the 177 subjects without baseline suicidality remained nonsuicidal at endpoint (McNemar Test for reduction in proportion of subjects with suicidal thinking, \(P<0.01\)). Mean change in MADRS-10 at LOCF endpoint was \(-0.2\pm 1.0\) (\(P=0.001\)). Tremor, muscle rigidity, and insomnia were the most frequently reported adverse events.

Conclusions: Results from the open-label phase of this ongoing trial suggest that adjunctive treatment with LAR may reduce suicidal thinking in patients with FRBD.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinical psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

Poster 174
Friday, October 6 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
ESCITALOPRAM AND CITALOPRAM IN THE TREATMENT OF MAJOR DEPRESSIVE DISORDER EFFECT OF BASELINE SEVERITY
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to evaluate the efficacy of escitalopram compared to citalopram.

SUMMARY:
Objective: Pooled analyses from pivotal trials have consistently indicated advantages of escitalopram versus citalopram, especially in patients with more severe depression at baseline. The objective of this study was to critically examine the effect of baseline severity on the efficacy of escitalopram versus citalopram.

Methods: All studies of patients with MDD that included comparisons of escitalopram, citalopram and placebo were selected and the results pooled for analysis. Treatment outcome was assessed by scores from the Montgomery-Åsberg Depression Rating Scale (MADRS) at 8 weeks of treatment. The interaction of baseline severity as assessed by MADRS score and the treatment effects of escitalopram and citalopram were tested in an ANCOVA model adjusting for baseline severity, center and treatment.

Results: Two flexible dose and 1 fixed dose placebo-controlled studies involving patients with moderate to severe MDD were included in the pooled analysis. The fixed dose study examined escitalopram 10 mg and 20 mg versus citalopram 40 mg, so the 10 mg arm was excluded to ensure that similar doses of escitalopram and citalopram were compared (exclusion of this arm did not affect statistical significance of the analyses). Results of the pooled analysis showed that the differences between escitalopram and placebo (p=0.001 for no trend) and between escitalopram and citalopram (p=0.0012 for no trend) increased with increasing baseline severity of MDD; in contrast, the difference between citalopram and placebo was rather constant relative to baseline severity. In addition, there was a superior effect of escitalopram on response to treatment (defined as \(>=50\%\) decrease in MADRS total score) at week 8 compared to placebo regardless of baseline severity, and compared to citalopram at higher levels of baseline severity.

Conclusion: These results indicate that in the treatment of MDD, escitalopram is superior to citalopram in patients with more severe depression.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists, and clinicians.

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SUICIDALITY IN BIPOLAR DEPRESSION TREATED WITH QUETIAPINE MONOTHERAPY
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, participants will be able to evaluate the efficacy of quetiapine in improving suicide-related symptoms in depressive episodes of bipolar disorder.

SUMMARY:
Objective: To investigate effects of quetiapine monotherapy on measures of suicidality in depressive episodes in patients with bipolar disorder.
Methods: Post-hoc analysis of suicidality in 1045 patients experiencing depressive episodes associated with bipolar I or II disorder (DSM-IV) randomized to 8 weeks of quetiapine (300 or 600 mg/d) or placebo in 2 studies (BOLDER I and BOLDER II). Suicidality was measured using MADRS item 10 (suicidal thoughts) and HAMD item 3 (suicide) scores. Treatment-emergent suicidal ideation and behavior were also evaluated using Columbia suicidality criteria.
Results: There were no cases of completed suicide during the 2 studies. The mean MADRS item 10 score decreased significantly more with both quetiapine doses than with placebo at Week 8. The decrease in mean HAM-D item 3 score at Week 8 was also significantly greater with both quetiapine doses than with placebo. Incidences of suicidal ideation and possible suicide attempts identified using the Columbia criteria were low and similar in all 3 treatment groups during the 2 studies.
Conclusion: These findings suggest that quetiapine monotherapy, when compared with placebo, does not increase, and may decrease, suicidal tendencies during depressive episodes of bipolar I or II disorder.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
General adult psychiatrists.

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TARGET AUDIENCE:
General adult psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

Poster 177 Friday, October 6 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

QUETIAPINE AUGMENTATION OF SSRI’S/SNRI’S IN MAJOR DEPRESSION WITH ANXIETY
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand the benefits of using quetiapine to augment SSRI/SNRI therapy in patients with depression and anxiety.

SUMMARY:
Objective: Atypical antipsychotics may be effective in treating major depression. This double-blind, randomized study evaluated quetiapine augmentation of SSRI/SNRIs for major depression with residual depressive and prominent anxiety symptoms.

Methods: Fifty-eight patients with residual symptoms following 36 weeks’ SSRI/SNRI treatment (HAM-D; HAM-A) received quetiapine (50–600 mg/day) or placebo for 8 weeks. Primary efficacy endpoint: mean change (baseline to Week 8 [LOCF]) in HAM-D and HAM-A. Secondary endpoints: CGI-Severity; GAS; incidence of AEs.

Results: Eighteen of 29 quetiapine-treated (mean dose: 202±93 mg/day) and 16/29 placebo-treated patients completed the study. Significant improvements (quetiapine vs placebo) were seen at Weeks 1 (P<0.01) and 8 (P<0.01) for HAM-D (~6.5, −11.2 vs −2.9, −5.5); HAM-A (~7.4, −12.5 vs −3.4, −5.9); CGI-Severity (~0.45, −1.5 vs −0.07, −0.6); GAS (+5.7, +17.5 vs +1.7, +6.6). Overall, 7/17 HAM-D and 6/14 HAM-A items improved with quetiapine (P<0.05 vs placebo at Week 8). Main reasons for discontinuation: AEs for quetiapine (n=8); inefficacy for placebo (n=9). Most common AEs (quetiapine vs placebo): sedation/somnolence/lethargy (n=25 vs n=14); dry mouth (n=13 vs n=4); weight gain (n=12 vs n=5).

Conclusions: Quetiapine combined with SSRIs/SNRIs improved residual depressive and anxiety symptoms in major depression.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

Poster 178 Friday, October 6 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

ZIPRASIDONE AS COMBINATION OR MONOTHERAPY IN JUVENILE BIPOLAR DISORDER
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize the potential utility of pursuing a regimen with ziprasidone in the treatment of child and adolescent patients with bipolar disorder.

SUMMARY:
Objective: To explore the benefits of ziprasidone in children and adolescents with bipolar disorder.

Methods: Case studies of four patients successfully treated with ziprasidone in the wake of failed trials of mood-stabilizing therapy are examined with a focus of dosing strategies, tolerability and safety and use of optimal dosing not limited to 160 mgs/day.

Results: Four patients previously treated with multiple agents subsequently achieved remission of all mood symptoms where previous therapy failed. Mixed bipolar symptoms, bipolar depression and acute mania all responded to rapid titration of ziprasidone to remission levels on the YMRS and BDI or Reynolds Childhood Depression Scale. Improvement was not associated with manic switching with stabilization occurring both “from above” as well as “from below”. The suggestion of a dose-response was seen in the response of patient’s pathology suggesting that more aggressive dosing may allow more patients to receive greater benefit from mo-
notherapy than with combination therapy with other second generation atypicals and anticonvulsants.

**Conclusion:** Ziprasidone may indeed be effective as an alternative to other mood-stabilizing approaches in some pediatric bipolar patients. Further studies at higher doses are needed to investigate the question of ziprasidone as an effective combination or monotherapy in controlled trials in this population.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Psychiatrists and other physicians.

**REFERENCES:**

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**Poster 179**
Friday, October 6
3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

**BENEFITS OF ARIPIPRAZOLE IN DEPRESSED AND BIPOLAR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS Supported by Pfizer Inc.**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize the benefit of aripiprazole in the treatment of depressed and bipolar children and adolescents.

**SUMMARY:**
The primary objective was to prove that the benefits of treatment with aripiprazole are not restricted to adult schizophrenic patients. Using a retrospective chart review, data was collected on 15 patients between the ages of 7 to 17 with a DSM-IV primary diagnosis of Major Depressive Disorder or Bipolar I Mixed in an outpatient practice. Patients were on aripiprazole 10 to 30 mg for at least six weeks unless treatment was ended due 3 to side effects. No changes were made to concomitant medications. Charts were reviewed for side effects, weight changes, and inventory scores specifically the Beck Depression Inventory Youth (BDI-Y) and Reyn-olds child Depression Screen (RCDS) for depression; Young Mania Rating Scale (YMRS) for mania; and Barkley Inventory for ADHD symptoms.

Six children and nine adolescent charts were reviewed with 2 Bipolar D/O and 13 Major Depression. Secondary diagnosis of ADD was shown in 6 patients. The most common AE reported was increased appetite (n=3). Other AE’s reported were nausea (n=1), twitching (n=1), and mood swings (n=1). In those patients with a primary dx of depression (n=5) showed improvement in mood, (n=6) showed improvement in attention and/or hyperactivity and (n=2) showed no improvement. Of those patients diagnosed with bipolar disorder, one showed improvement in mood and hyperactivity and one showed no change. Few patients (n=4) showed a weight gain of >20 lbs in length of treatment, but each of these patients was treated with concomitant medications that have demonstrated weight gain. Correlation of weight gain to aripiprazole use is inconclusive, 73% of patients (n=11) showed normal weight gain by growth standards. These results suggest that aripiprazole had benefit in the treatment of depressed and bipolar children and adolescents. Overall, the medication was well-tolerated with few side effects, while having the patient experience a reduction in depression or bipolar symptoms.

**TARGET AUDIENCE(S):**
Psychiatrists and other physicians.

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**Poster 180**
Friday, October 6
3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

**A COMPARISON OF DOSING SCHEDULES WITH ORAL ZIPRASIDONE Supported by Pfizer Inc.**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize the effectiveness of once-daily dosing of ziprasidone.
SUMMARY:

The purpose of this study was to investigate ziprasidone as monotherapy for bipolar disorder and the effect of dosing schedules: once daily versus twice daily on efficacy, safety, compliance, and patient reported tolerability of ziprasidone in the treatment of adult patients in an outpatient setting. After meeting inclusion criteria and stable on ziprasidone for 4 weeks, patients were randomly assigned to either once daily dosing group (n=15) or continued in the twice daily dosing group (n=15). Screening included standard assessments and diagnostic criteria to confirm eligibility. Baseline visit and weekly visits included vital signs, weights, administration of YMRS, PANSS, HAM-D, and patient satisfaction survey. An ECG and safety labs were obtained at baseline and final visit. Dosing was less than or equal to 320 mg per day. If there is no differential effect of dosing on efficacy, safety, or tolerability, ziprasidone could be safely administered once daily with improved compliance and simplicity of administration. Overall, the results suggest that ziprasidone once daily dosing has benefit in the treatment of Bipolar I disorder in adults, and the medication is well-tolerated with few adverse events. Overall, patients showed greater compliance with once daily dosing. There was no compromise to effectiveness with once daily dosing. Only 3 of the 15 patients randomized to once daily dosing switched back.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Psychiatrists and other physicians.

REFERENCES:


EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this presentation, the participant should be able to treat women with comorbid psychiatric disorders during lactation; understand quetiapine augmentation of antidepressants in lactation; and be familiar with the effects of combination therapy on infant development.

SUMMARY:

Objective: To further knowledge regarding the effects of quetiapine as an augmenting agent of antidepressants during lactation.

Method: Participants were six women diagnosed with Major Depressive Disorder in conjunction with another Axis I disorder, and treated with quetiapine and either an SSRI or SNRI postnatally. Levels of psychotropic medications in breastmilk were obtained and infant exposure was estimated. Developmental assessments were performed with the Bayley Scales of Infant Development, Second Edition (BSID-II).

Results: In half of the cases, no medication was detected in the breastmilk, and in all but one case, estimated levels of infant medication exposure were less than 0.01 mg/kg/day for each medication. Four babies scored within normal limits on the BSID-II, while two showed mild developmental delays. In comparison to the four cases of typical development, the two showing mild delays did not have higher estimated levels of psychotropic medication exposure through breastmilk.

Conclusions: In our limited sample there appears to be no association between developmental functioning of babies up to 18 months of age and estimated levels of exposure. When pharmacotherapy is utilized to ensure stability of maternal mood during lactation, monitoring women and developmental milestones of their infants is recommended.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

ARE ALL THE ANTICONVULSANTS EQUALLY USEFUL FOR BORDERLINE PERSONALITY DISORDER PATIENTS? FOCUS ON GABAPENTIN

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to discuss the use of anticonvulsants for BPD patients in order to find if it is possible to adequate their profiles to the clinical manifestations of the disorder in each patient.

SUMMARY:

Introduction: Anticonvulsants have been suggested to be helpful to regulate Borderline Personality Disorder (BPD) affective instability and lack of impulse control. Although they are widely used in clinical settings few studies have been published, showing improvements on different BPD symptoms. Their beneficial effects and the observed efficacy of Gabapentin in anxiety and drug abuse disorders were the basis for our trial.

Method: Open-label multicenter prospective 6 months follow-up study with Gabapentin for BPD patients resistant to previous therapies, following DSM-IV-TR and DIB-R criteria assessed by Hamilton-A (Anxiety), Young (Mania), Beck (Depression), Barratt (Impulsivity) and CGI (Severity and Improvement) Scales. Gabapentin dosage varied between 1200 and 3600 mg/day.

Results: N=48 (ANOVA and LOCF). Basal final scores were (p<0.0001) Beck from baseline 25.09 to 6th month 13.11, Young from 11.02 to 5.11, HAM-A from 22.88 to 11.32, Barratt from 64.85 to 62.35, CGI-Severity from 4.76 to 3.28 and CGI-Improvement from 3.3 to 2.1. No adverse events were reported.

Conclusions: Gabapentin showed to be effective and safe in BPD treatment, especially in alleviating anxious and depressive symptoms, which could also facilitate a better psychotherapeutic outcome. Although double-blind controlled studies are needed to confirm these results, recent trials showing the efficacy of topiramate, divalproex or lamotrigine on aggression and/or impulsivity, guide a reflection on their role in different BPD patients.

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OLEZAPINE-FLUOXETINE COMBINATION VERSUS LAMOTRIGINE FOR BIPOLAR I DEPRESSION: QUALITY OF LIFE OUTCOME ANALYSIS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to discuss health-outcome effects on patients treated with olanzapine-fluoxetine combination or lamotrigine for bipolar I depression.

SUMMARY:
Objective: To determine the difference in quality-of-life between olanzapine-fluoxetine-treated and lamotrigine-treated patients with bipolar I depression.

Method: A 25-week randomized, double-blind study compared olanzapine-fluoxetine combination (OFC; 6/25, 6/50, 12/25, or 12/50 mg/day, N=205) with lamotrigine (titrated to 200 mg/day, N=205) in depressed bipolar I patients. Quality-of-life measures included the Sheehan Disability Scale (SDS) and the SF-36. An additional questionnaire collected information regarding physical and suicidal threats. Analytical techniques included analysis of variance on change from baseline to endpoint (last-observation-carried forward) and Fisher’s exact test for categorical variables.

Results: There were no differences between treatment groups on any of three SDS dimensions (family life, social life, work). On the SF-36, patients treated with OFC experienced greater improvement in bodily pain (p=.005), general health (p=.020), mental health (p=.046), and social functioning (p=.019). No significant differences were detected for the other 4 dimensions (physical functioning, role limitations due to emotional or physical problems and vitality). Fewer OFC-treated patients threatened to strike or injure others (p=.007), and fewer made suicidal threats (p=.027).

Conclusion: OFC-treated patients with bipolar I depression experienced greater improvements in some measures of quality of life and had lower rates of threatening injury or suicide than lamotrigine-treated patients.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists and other mental health professionals who treat bipolar patients.

REFERENCES:

ATOMOXETINE TREATMENT FOR ADHD: YOUNG ADULTS COMPARED WITH OLDER ADULTS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to compare the effects of atomoxetine for treating ADHD in young adults, aged 18 to 25 years, with adults older than 25.

SUMMARY:
Objective: Atomoxetine is a nonstimulant medication for treating child, adolescent, and adult ADHD. This meta-analysis compared the effects in young and older adults.

Methods: Patients in two identical studies received twice-daily atomoxetine or placebo for about 10 weeks. Data from patients aged 18–25 years (atomoxetine, n=26; placebo, n=29) were compared with patients older than 25 (atomoxetine, n=244; placebo, n=237). Efficacy measures included the Conners’ Adult ADHD Rating...
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Scale (CAARS) and the Clinical Global Impressions-Severity (CGI-S).

Results: In younger adults, atomoxetine produced significantly greater benefits relative to placebo as measured by mean changes from baseline on the CAARS Total ADHD Symptom Score (−11.77 versus −8.38 for atomoxetine and placebo, respectively; p=.041; effect size=.797) and the CGI-S (−0.88 vs −0.52; p=.006; effect size=1.121). In older adults, atomoxetine also produced significant benefits (CAARS Total score changes of −12.22 and −8.36; p<.001; effect size=.326; CGI-S changes of −0.95 vs −0.55; p<.001; effect size=.346). Larger effect sizes for the young adults reflect smaller variability for this group. Tolerability was generally similar between age groups although older adults reported more sexual side effects.

Conclusion: These data indicate that atomoxetine is efficacious for treating ADHD in young adults, although this analysis has limitations due to a small sample size.

TARGET AUDIENCE: Clinicians and physicians who treat patients with ADHD.

REFERENCES:

ATOMOXETINE TREATMENT FOR PEDIATRIC PATIENTS WITH ADHD AND COMORBID ANXIETY DISORDER

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to summarize the effects of atomoxetine compared to placebo on symptoms and functional outcomes in children with ADHD and comorbid anxiety disorder.

SUMMARY:
Objective: Research suggests that 25–50% of children with attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) also suffer from anxiety disorders1. Stimulant treatment of this comorbid subgroup is complicated by potential adverse effects2. Atomoxetine, a nonstimulant medication approved for treatment of pediatric and adult ADHD, was compared with placebo for treatment of children with ADHD and comorbid anxiety disorders.

Methods: In this double-blind, acute phase of a multicenter study, children meeting DSM-IV criteria for ADHD and either generalized anxiety disorder, separation anxiety disorder, or social phobia were randomized to 12 weeks of atomoxetine treatment (n=87) or placebo (n=89). Changes in efficacy and functional outcome scores (from baseline to last observation carried forward endpoint) were compared across treatment groups using analysis of covariance.

Results: Sixty-six patients in each treatment group completed the study (p=ns for any reason for discontinuation). Mean scores improved significantly for atomoxetine versus placebo, respectively, on the Multidimensional Anxiety Scale for Children (−4.6 versus 2.1; p=.009), Life Participation Scale for ADHD-Revised (9.6 versus 2.5; p=.001), and Child Health Questionnaire-Parent-Completed Full Length (6.9 versus 3.3; p=.019).

Conclusion: Results suggest atomoxetine is efficacious and improves functioning in children and adolescents with ADHD and comorbid anxiety disorder.

TARGET AUDIENCE: Clinicians and physicians who treat patients with ADHD.

REFERENCES:

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DETERMINANTS OF ANTIDEPRESSANT TREATMENT SELECTION FOLLOWING THE INTRODUCTION OF DULOXETINE
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize variations between duloxetine initiators and other select medications in terms of demographics, prior medical comorbidities, and treatment history in the first four months after duloxetine was introduced to the U.S. marketplace.

SUMMARY:
Objective: To compare factors associated with treatment selection for patients initiating on duloxetine versus “other” antidepressants (venlafaxine XR, bupropion, SSRIs, escitalopram).

Methods: Diagnostic and treatment histories were obtained through retrospective claims for adults initiating on antidepressants between 8/31/04 to 12/31/04.

Results: Of the 230,738 eligible patients, 29.7% had depression diagnoses, 77.9% initiated on SSRIs, the mean age was 44.6 years, and 71.4% were women. Using logistic regression, depressed duloxetine initiators versus “other” initiators had more prior pain diagnoses, depression-related diagnoses, recurrent depression episodes, psychotherapy, pain medications, and antidepressants. Duloxetine patients also initiated therapy later in the study, were older, and received prescriptions from mental health or other specialists. Findings were consistent in a non-depression subgroup. Non-depressed duloxetine initiators also were more likely to be men. Depressed and non-depressed duloxetine initiators consistently had more prior pain medications, antidepressants, mental health specialty prescribers, depression-related diagnoses, and late study initiation when compared with each drug separately.

Conclusions: Physicians discriminate among the types of patients they deem appropriate for select antidepressants. Patients with pain and worse depression treatment histories tend to initiate on duloxetine. Case mix adjustments should be made when comparing drugs. Trends over time are necessary to determine the robustness of results.

REFERENCES:

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinicians and payers.

ANTIPSYCHOTICS FOR BIPOLAR DISORDER: MCLEAN HOSPITAL INPATIENTS, 2004
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to better understand current trends in the use of antipsychotic agents and concomitant psychotropics for inpatient treatment of bipolar disorder.

SUMMARY:
Background: Since modern antipsychotics (APDs) had been recently FDA-approved for bipolar disorder (BPD), we examined their use for such patients. Method: We analyzed medical records of 80 McLean Hospital DSM-IV BPD Inpatients given APDs in mid-2004 for dosing and use of other psychotropics, and compared findings to similar 1998 [N=83] and 2002 [N=93] samples. Results: Hospitalization of 80 BPD patients (aged 41.8 ± 13.5; 60% women) was for: depression (46%) > mania (29%) > mixed-states (25%), lasted 10.7 days (vs. 13.6 in 2002, 22.4 in 1998), and was longest for mania. Usage ranked: risperidone > quetiapine > olanzapine > aripiprazole > all others. Discharge doses averaged 312 ± 296 chlorpromazine-equivalent mg/day (higher with mania than depression). Depressed patients received more antidepressants and more total psychotropics. Concomitant mood stabilizers ranked: valproate > lithium > oxcarbazepine > lamotrigine > all others. In 2004, but
not earlier, discharge prescriptions for APDs/patient (1.2) outnumbered lithium-plus-anticonvulsants (0.8). More BPD patients were discharged with \(\text{H}5\) psychotropics in 2004 than 2002, and use of APDs as primary treatments doubled from 1998 to 2004. Use of olanzapine declined 1.9-fold from 1998 to 2004, and clozapine use decreased by 88% from its 2002 peak. Conclusions: For hospitalized BPD patients, modern antipsychotics were used more than lithium, anticonvulsants, or older neuroleptics. Funding provided by Bristol-Myers Squibb, Abbott, GlaxoSmithKline, and Pfizer (to FC), a grant for the Bruce J. Anderson Foundation, and the McLean Private Donors Neuropsychopharmacology Research Fund (to RJB).

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatric professionals interested in pharmacological therapies for bipolar disorder.

REFERENCES:

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QUETIAPINE MONOTHERAPY IN BIPOLAR DEPRESSION: THE BOLDER II STUDY
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to evaluate the recent data on efficacy and tolerability of quetiapine for bipolar depression, and use this information in the management of patients with bipolar disorder.

SUMMARY:
Objective: Evaluate the efficacy and tolerability of quetiapine monotherapy for bipolar disorder depressive episodes as a confirmatory study to BOLDER I.

Poster 190 Friday, October 6 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
ATOMOXETINE AUGMENTATION FOR REFRACTORY ANXIETY DISORDERS
Supported by Massachusetts General Hospital

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize that Atomoxetine is an option for refractory anxiety disorder patients; and appreciate the prevalence of attentional problems in anxiety disorder patients.
SUMMARY:

Objective: Although many patients achieve some response with the current pharmacotherapies for the anxiety disorders, most remain somewhat symptomatic and others have virtually no response to initial therapy. We examined the effect of atomoxetine augmentation of anxiolytic pharmacotherapy in patients with anxiety disorders remaining symptomatic despite initial therapy.

Methods: Retrospective chart review of 13 cases of augmentation with atomoxetine in adult outpatients with anxiety disorders who were not full responders to a variety of anxiolytic medications. Primary outcome measures were the Clinical Global Impression of Improvement and Severity Scales (CGI-I, CGI-S). Patients were evaluated in regard to their anxiety disorder symptomatology.

Results: The mean dose of atomoxetine used at end point evaluation was 77 ± 36 mg/d, and the mean duration of treatment assessed was 8 ± 5 weeks. Seven of 13 subjects (54 percent) were much or very much improved (CGI-I of 1 or 2), with the mean CGI-I = 2.5 ± 1.0. The mean CGI-S at baseline was 5.8 ± 0.6, which fell to 4.2 ± 1.1 at endpoint (p < .001, t = 5.2, df = 12, p < .001).

Conclusion: Results from this open, retrospective case series suggest that atomoxetine may effectively augment response to anxiolytic medications in patients with treatment resistant anxiety disorders.

Supported by funding from the Mood and Anxiety Disorders Institute of Massachusetts General Hospital.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Psychiatrists, physicians, and all other mental health workers.

REFERENCES:


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Friday, October 6
3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

OROS METHYLPHENIDATE TREATMENT EFFECTS BETWEEN GIRLS AND BOYS WITH ADHD

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize the absence of gender effects on ADHD symptom improvement in girls and boys treated with OROS methylphenidate.

SUMMARY:

Objective: To evaluate symptom improvement in OROS® methylphenidate (MPH)-treated girls and boys with attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD).

Method: In this analysis, all 850 once-daily OROS MPH-treated children (219 girls and 631 boys 6 to 12 years of age with ADHD) were identified from a prospective, open-label, 3-week, randomized (2:1 OROS MPH or atomoxetine) trial. Initiation and titration of medication was based on each investigator’s clinical judgment. Investigators assessed ADHD symptoms and clinical improvement using the ADHD Rating Scale (ADHD-RS), Clinical Global Impression-Severity of Illness (CGI-S) and Clinical Global Impression-Improvement of Illness (CGI-I). Gender differences were measured by ANOVA and Chi-square tests.

Results: Baseline ADHD symptoms were similar between OROS MPH-treated girls and boys (ADHD-RS: 39.1 vs. 40.3; CGI-S: 4.52 vs. 4.75). At the end of study, ADHD symptom improvement was comparable between girls and boys: change from baseline on ADHD-RS was 20.2 vs. 20.5 and CGI-I was 2.26 vs. 2.21. Analyses comparing the percentage of subjects achieving response (defined as ≤ 30%, ≤ 40%, or ≤ 50% reduction from baseline ADHD-RS as well as scoring ≤ 2 on the CGI-I scale) were comparable by gender.

Conclusions: OROS MPH is equally effective in the management of ADHD symptoms in both girls and boys with ADHD.

REFERENCES:


POSTER SESSION 5
Posters 192–238

CLINICAL CORRELATES, EVALUATION, AND INNOVATIVE TREATMENT APPROACHES TO UNIQUE POPULATIONS

Poster 192
Saturday, October 7
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

THE TRAUMA OF THE TRAUMATIZED CHILDREN IN IRAQ

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to better understand the adverse effects that the Iraqi war has had on the children of Iraq.

SUMMARY:
Iraqi children have been exposed to the traumatizing situations since 1980. They are suffering a variety of mental illnesses related to sustained violence and wars that need to be explained thoroughly.

This poster will present the types of mental disorders of the Iraqi children through literature review and field studies.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, students and researchers in the field of trauma and mental illnesses.

REFERENCES:

Poster 193
Saturday, October 7
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

IMMIGRANT POPULATION AND DEMAND FOR CARE IN A MENTAL HEALTH CENTER IN THE FUENLABRADA DISTRICT OF MADRID, SPAIN

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize the characteristics and type of care demanded by the immigrant population in a mental health care; understand the differences between sexes and their respective demands for care and the specific conditions experienced by the patients; and recognize the social, legal, and financial situation and its influence on pathological conditions and care demand in these patients.

SUMMARY:
Objective: To pinpoint the characteristics, and the nature of demand for health care, of an immigrant population at the Mental Health Center of Fuenlabrada (Madrid, Spain), and with this, how it compares with the native, Spanish population.

Method: All medical records of immigrant patients seeking mental health care from October 2004 to March 2005 were analyzed and collated with simultaneously collected information on their socio-demographic characteristics, their situation in Spain, and their demand for services.

Results: Of a total of 1845 new visits, 129 corresponded to immigrants (7%). Of these, 101 were women and 28 were men. Most of these immigrant patients were between 25 and 30 years old. The countries most represented were Morocco (17), Rumania (16), Ecuador (15), and Equatorial Guinea (12). The rest of the immigrant patients were from 26 other countries. Visits of second-generation immigrants (50.4%) were more frequent than visits of first-generation immigrants (40.3%). 17.8% were illegal aliens and 29.5% were unemployed. The level of Spanish-language-use was high in 73.6% (South Americans). 54.3% of the visits involved assessment of mental condition for elective abortion. Over half of the patients were diagnosed with some adaptational disorder (66.7%) and the most common treatment of choice, along with benzodiazepines, were SSRIs.
Conclusions: Women, as in the non-immigrant population, account for more medical visits than men, and cases of adaptational disorder outnumber actual psychotic conditions, which are more frequent in men, particularly those coming from the north or south of Africa. Women, cut off from their families, are the group most susceptible to mental disorders. Demand for care generally does not occur at the start of immigration, but after 3 to 5 years.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:** Psychiatrists and social workers.

**REFERENCES:**

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**Poster 194 Saturday, October 7 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.**

**DEPRESSION AND MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT SEEKING AMONG ASIAN AMERICANS**

Supported by the University of Michigan

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:** At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize differences in prevalence rates in perinatal depression, based on EPDS results and rates of treatment use between Caucasian Americans and Asian Americans.

**SUMMARY:** The prevalence of depression and rates of mental health treatment use may be vastly different cross-culturally. This sub-analysis of a larger study aims to show differences in depression and mental health treatment between Caucasians and Asian Americans. This has implications for strategies for tailoring depression identification and treatment linkage. In total 1,785 pregnant women completed the Edinburgh Postnatal Depression Scale (EPDS) while waiting for their prenatal care visits. 11% identified their racial group as Asian American (75% Caucasian). Using a cut-off score of EPDS>10, 10% of all Asian American women showed depression risk (compared to 15% of Caucasians, ns). All consenting women scoring>10 on EPDS completed interviews (n=96) to assess depression treatment use among women at risk. Asian American women were significantly less likely to agree to participate in the research as compared to Caucasian women. Only 10% of Asian American women with EPDS>10 sought any mental health treatment; significantly less than Caucasian women (27%). These results suggest that Asian American women may be at risk for depression at rates comparable to white women, but may be less likely to participate in clinical research and seek mental health treatment.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:** Mental health practitioners.

**REFERENCES:**

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**Poster 195 Saturday, October 7 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.**

**NEUROANATOMICAL CORRELATES OF APATHY VERSUS DEPRESSION IN ALZHEIMER’S DISEASE**

Supported by the Korean Science Engineering Foundation

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:** At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand the psychological symptom of Alzheimer’s Disease and its correlates with the brain.

**SUMMARY:** Apathy means a state of indifference where an individual is unresponsive to aspects of emotional, social, or physical life. Apathy is a common problem in Alzheimer’s Disease (AD) but may be confused with depression. We compared apathy and depression in AD with the voxel-based morphometry (VBM) of MRI eliminating the investigator bias. We used VBM to 42 AD patients with apathy (n = 16) and depression (n = 18). Apathy was significantly associated with the right medial frontal gyrus (Z = 2.31) and the right posterior cingulate gyrus (Z = 2.12). Depression was also associated the cingulate gyrus (Z = 2.32) but was not significantly associated with the right frontal cortex. In conclusion,
Apathy is associated with the volume reduction of the gray matter of the right medial frontal gyrus.

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Poster 196 Saturday, October 7 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

PARTIAL PTSD VERSUS FULL PTSD IN THE KOREAN COMMUNITY
Supported by the Korean Ministry of Health and Welfare

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to diagnose PTSD, and understand the symptoms of PTSD.

SUMMARY:
Partial PTSD is a concept that has been recently extended to community dwelling victims of trauma, but has not been fully investigated. A representative sample of 6,258 has not been fully investigated. A representative sample of 6,258 version of the Composite International Diagnosis Interview including lifetime traumas. Partial PTSD was defined as 1 symptom in each of three symptom groups (criteria B, C and D) and duration of > 1 month. Estimated lifetime prevalence of partial PTSD was 2.7% (S.E. = 0.2) and that of PTSD was 1.7% (S.E. = 0.2). The mean durations of partial PTSD were 6.7 years in men and 6.3 years in women, which were not significantly different from those of PTSD. Traumas associated with the development of partial PTSD rather than full PTSD, were ‘military combat’ in men and ‘learning about traumas to others’ in women, whereas threatened by others’ was more associated with development of full PTSD. In conclusion, partial PTSD did not differ significantly from PTSD in terms of duration, comorbidities and dysfunctions, but they differed markedly in terms of the types of traumas that they were associated with. This study was supported by the Korean Ministry of Health and Welfare, and partly by BK21 project for medicine, dentistry and pharmacy.

REFERENCES:
based upon understanding such differences could improve outcome in later life.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Psychiatrists, psychologists, and social workers.

**REFERENCES:**

**Poster 198 Saturday, October 7 8:00 a.m.-10:00 a.m.**

**WEST NILE VIRUS AND CONVERSION DISORDER: CASE REPORT**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to raise awareness that West Nile Virus (WNV) can present with neurological deficits, thereby mimicking conversion disorder, and it should be considered in the differential diagnosis when a patient is evaluated for possible conversion disorder.

**SUMMARY:**
West Nile Virus (WNV) has spread across the country since its introduction to the United States in 1999. In severe cases, WNV can be complicated by a number of neurological deficits, thus possibly mimicking conversion disorder. Here we report a 19-year-old pregnant female referred to psychiatry as a possible case of conversion disorder who later tested positive for West Nile Virus.

Ms. A, a single, 19-year-old African American woman, was admitted to the obstetrics and gynecology unit of a teaching hospital in her eighth month of pregnancy after presenting with unilateral paralysis of her right leg and foot. A routine examination including a complete blood count, electrolytes, urea, liver and thyroid function tests, urinalysis, and a non-contrast CT scan of the head yielded normal results.

A psychiatric consult was called to rule out conversion disorder. On evaluation, Ms. A had no presenting symptoms and denied any previous psychiatric history. There was no evidence of psychosis such as delusions or hallucinations and no evidence of mania or any other anxiety disorders. Ms. A denied any history of sexual or physical trauma, as well as any current stressors. A mental status examination revealed Ms. A to be calm and cooperative. Her speech was spontaneous and normal in rate, tone, and volume, and her affect was full-ranged.

The fact that Ms. A did not have any current or previous stressors and the fact that she was psychiatrically asymptomatic argued against a diagnosis of conversion disorder. We therefore recommended to the primary treatment team to investigate Ms. A more aggressively. Following further testing, Ms. A was positively confirmed for West Nile Virus infection.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Consultation-liaison psychiatrists, and primary care physicians.

**REFERENCES:**

**Poster 199 Saturday, October 7 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.**

**NICOTINE DEPENDENCE IN CO-OCCURRING SUBSTANCE USE AND PSYCHIATRIC DISORDERS IN AN AMERICAN INDIAN VETERANS SAMPLE Supported by the Minneapolis Veterans Administration**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize the association of nicotine dependence and psychiatric disorders in American Indian Veterans; and understand the lack of association between nicotine dependence and other substance use disorders in this select patient population.
SUMMARY:

Background: No information on the co-occurrence of DSM-IV nicotine dependence and Axis I psychiatric and substance use disorders is available in the American Indian and Alaskan Native population.

Objectives: To present data on the co-occurrence of DSM-IV nicotine dependence and other axis I psychiatric and substance use disorders in an American Indian patient sample, and provide useful screening and treatment recommendations based on these findings.

Methods: 558 community-based American Indian Veterans from the Minneapolis VA Hospital completed a demographic questionnaire, and the Quick-Diagnostic Interview Schedule (Q-DIS) which provided DSM-IV Axis I and II diagnosis. Odds ratios from logistic regression analysis were used to study associations between nicotine dependence and Axis I and II disorders.

Results: Nicotine dependence is significantly correlated with comorbid anxiety disorders, affective disorders, PTSD, and gambling disorders in this sample of American Indian Veterans. Nicotine dependence and substance use disorders were not significantly correlated.

Conclusions: Culturally-competent nicotine cessation treatments can be improved by recognizing the association of psychiatric disorders and nicotine dependence in American Indian smokers. Future analyses will examine how participation in traditional practices may moderate the association between nicotine dependence and psychiatric illnesses. The Minneapolis Veterans Administration Hospital HSR provided financial support for this study.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Addiction psychiatrists and cultural psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:


DIMINISHING DEPRESSION IN OLDER ADULTS WITH SCHIZOPHRENIA

Supported by the National Institute of General Medical Sciences

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize the prevalence of depression and the factors associated with depression in elderly persons with schizophrenia.

SUMMARY:

Rationale: Although depression is thought to increase as persons with schizophrenia grow old, it has not been well-studied. We examine those factors that impact on depression in a multi-racial urban sample of older people with schizophrenia.

Methods: The schizophrenia (S) group consisted of 198 persons aged 55+ living in the community who developed schizophrenia before age 45 and a community comparison (C) group of 113 was selected. The questionnaire consisted of 23 scales that assessed psychiatric and physical health and functioning, cognition, service use, treatment, and psychosocial indices. We adapted George’s Social Antecedent Model of Depression that consists of 6 categories comprising 16 independent variables. We used a dichotomous dependent variable based on a CES-D cut-off score of 16.

Results: The S group had significantly more persons with clinical depression than the C group. In the S group, in bivariate analysis, 8 of the 16 variables in the model were significantly related to clinical depression. In logistic regression, 6 variables retained significance: physical illness, presence of positive symptoms, proportion of confidants, cope by using medications, cope with conflicts by keeping calm and quality of life index.

Conclusion: Consistent with earlier studies of older schizophrenic populations, we found physical health and several non-clinical variables to be associated with depression. We found an association of depression with positive symptoms. Potential points for intervention include strengthening social supports, improving physical well-being, more aggressive treatment of positive symptoms, and increasing the recognition and treatment of depression.

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REFERENCES:

GROUP THERAPY EFFECTIVENESS IN A COMBAT ZONE

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should understand the psychiatric diagnosis of soldiers receiving mental health services, and the effectiveness of group therapy for treating ‘at risk’ soldiers.

SUMMARY:
Group therapy is a treatment whose utility extends into a combat zone in dealing with ‘at-risk’ soldiers. In Camp in Taji, Iraq, combat stress group therapy was implemented.

Over the course of a six month period, 408 individual soldiers were seen with referrals from self, command, and chaplain. Soldiers suffered from adjustment disorders with depressed mood, mood disorders, combat stress, anxiety, and occupational problems. Approximately 10% (42) were considered to be ‘at-risk’ to harm themselves or others. Out of those, eight were evacuated out of theater prior to treatment because of psychosis, mania, or unsuccessful suicide attempt. The rest, 34, attended the combat stress program. None of the soldiers who attended the group therapy committed suicide and all returned to duty. One was evacuated worsening pre-existing PTSD. Five were administratively discharged with personality disorders (cluster b).

Group therapy, in an ‘at risk’ population, demonstrates to be an effective treatment modality in a combat zone. The combat stress group included more soldiers than ‘at-risk’ and improved statistical reporting of treatment cases is needed. More research is needed as well on the long term benefits of group therapy in combat. Author has received no funding source.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Group therapists with ‘at-risk’ populations.

REFERENCES:

ATTENTIONAL AND SENSORY GATING ABNORMALITIES IN SCHIZOPHRENIA: IMPLICATIONS FOR UNDERSTANDING SCHIZOPHRENIA

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand the role sensory gating and attentional abnormalities play in the pathophysiology of schizophrenia and their potential utility as genetic markers and as a novel and useful screening tool of new candidate antipsychotic drugs.

SUMMARY:
Deficits in sensory gating are consistent neuropsychological findings in schizophrenia. Affected individuals appear to have deficits in the ability to gate or internally screen, sensory stimuli, such that only the relevant stimuli are attended to. Theoretically when sensory gating mechanisms fail, the individual is vulnerable to sensory overload, cognitive fragmentation and thought disorder. These observations were initially framed in descriptive and phenomenological context related to Bleuler’s fundamental domains of schizophrenia, now characterized as core neurocognitive deficits and disorganization. Sensory gating abnormalities are trait linked marker of vulnerability to schizophrenia disorders seen across the spectrum, and are amenable to linkage analysis. They also have state related contributions associated with level of psychosis or neurocognitive deficits. The Thalamus plays a gating and modulatory role in relaying sensory information. The Thalamus determines whether sensory information reaches our conscious awareness in the neocortex. Systemic pharmacologic manipulations, such as administration of dopamine agonist apomorphine, can induce loss of gating, which can be blocked by neuroleptics. Gating phenomenon at the level of the hippocampus and temporal lobes, may rely on cholinergic mechanisms which can be normalized by the administration of nicotine. P50 gating has been linked to the alpha 7 region of the nicotinic receptor of chr.15, a finding that has now been replicated.

REFERENCES:

**Poster 203**
Saturday, October 7
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

**GENDER, COMORBIDITIES, AND SERVICE CHARACTERISTICS OF PTSD IN PSYCHIATRIC OUTPATIENTS**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize the significance of gender characteristics, comorbidities and services received in psychiatric outpatients diagnosed with PTSD.

**SUMMARY:**
Objective: to study gender characteristics, comorbidities and services received in patients with PTSD.

Methods: Data were obtained from a retrospective chart review of PTSD psychiatric outpatients during a 5-year period.

Results: Females (N=112) were significantly more likely than males (N=47) to report physical or sexual assault (75.9% vs 38.3%; p=0.0001). Males were significantly more likely than females to reported war or combat trauma (14.9% vs 0%; p=0.0001) and a history of suicide attempt (76.3% vs 52.8%; p=0.022). Comorbidities included depression (59.1%), anxiety (42.1%), substance (42.1%) and alcohol abuse (33.9%), dysthymia (20.8%), bipolar disorder (15.1%), schizophrenia (11.3%), and P.D. cluster B (52.9%). A primary diagnosis of PTSD (45.9%) was significantly more likely to be associated with a history of psychiatric hospitalization (54.1% vs 32%; p=0.0154) in comparison with secondary PTSD (54.1%) which was significantly more likely associated with depression (54.1% vs 32%; p=0.0006).

Males were significantly more likely than females to have a single service (45.7% vs 27.3%), medication or therapy, (p=0.039), while females were significantly more likely than males to have receive SSRI (83.9% vs 66.1%; p=0.042).

Conclusion: Data suggest that gender characteristics, comorbidities and services delivered could have a potential implications for clinical management of PTSD in outpatients.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Psychiatrists, non-psychiatric physicians, nurses, psychologists, social workers, and other mental health professionals.

**REFERENCES:**

**Poster 204**
Saturday, October 7
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

**PTSD, BODY MASS INDEX, AND PRIORITY GROUPS IN U.S. MILITARY VETERANS: THE RICHMOND EXPERIENCE**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize comorbid obesity in military veterans with Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder and relate it to socioeconomic status as defined by Priority Groups.

**SUMMARY:**
Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) is associated with co morbidity obesity. Body Mass Index (BMI) is a useful parameter to estimate the prevalence of overweight and obesity. In 1996 the US Congress defined eligibility criteria for medical case within the Veterans Administration and defined medical benefits package and Priority Groups based on multiple variables, including low income. The PTSD program database was reviewed. Variables assessed included (1) age, (2) decade of life, (3) height, (4) weight, (5) sex, (6) race, (7) priority groups. We calculated BMI of the 252 veterans 167 (66.27%) were in the age range of 50 to 59 years. The mean BMI of all veterans was 30.2 ± 5.6 kg/m². Far exceeding current U.S. population findings, 84.1% of our study population was either overweight or obese. Analysis of variance (ANOVA) revealed decade of life...
did not predict BMI ($df = 6$, $F = 1.372$, $p = 0.226$). Combining Priority Groups 1 & 2 into a single group and Groups 3–6 into a single group revealed that preferred priority grouping was associated with higher BMI. Study suggested that low Socioeconomic status is most likely explanation for greater BMI’s in lower priority groups than in higher priority groups. Clearly, more definitive studies are needed with much larger study populations.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Psychiatrists, physicians, nurse practitioners, social workers.

**REFERENCES:**

**CORRELATION OF PTSD SEVERITY AND DISRUPTIVE NOCTURNAL BEHAVIORS IN MALE MILITARY VETERANS WITH PTSD**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize that assessment of sleep disturbances in PTSD patients may facilitate the identification of those who may benefit from adjunctive sleep focused interventions.

**SUMMARY:**
Severe insomnia and Disruptive nocturnal behaviors in PTSD may represent PTSD specific sleep disturbances. The Pittsburg Sleep Quality Index Addendum for PTSD (PSQI-A) is a valid instrument for PTSD applicable in clinical as well as research settings. Disruptive nocturnal behaviors (DNB) such as trauma related nightmares, nocturnal intrusive memories, distressing dreams not related to the trauma, sleep terrors, nocturnal panic attacks, dream enactment behaviors, and other complex motor behaviors may represent more specific sleep disturbances in PTSD. A global score of 5 or greater indicates clinically significant sleep disturbances. The goal of this study was to examine and characterize DNB in a group of military veterans with PTSD and correlate findings with severity of PTSD as measured by PCL_M.

The 41 patients enrolled in our PTSD program completed the (PSQI-A), a self-report instrument designed to assess the frequency of seven DNB. We calculated PSQI-A total score. Study variables included (1) age, (2) Global PSQI-A score (3) PCL_M score, (4) race. The mean age was 58.33 ± 8.35 years. 78% of our sample was African American. The mean Global PSQI-A score was 11.82 ± 5.05 suggesting severe DNB. Statistical analysis was carried out using Pearson’s correlation coefficient. There was statistically significant correlation between severity of PTSD (as measured by the PCL_M) and PSQI-A (p<0.001). More definitive studies are needed with much larger populations with a broader range of traumatic events.

**TARGET AUDIENCE:**
Psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, nurse practitioners.

**REFERENCES:**
EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should understand that the Personal and Social Performance scale is a reliable and valid measure of personal and social function in patients with stable schizophrenia with good construct validity and sensitivity to clinical change.

SUMMARY:
The Personal and Social Performance scale (PSP) addresses 4 domains of personal and social functioning and has shown good reliability and validity in patients with stabilized schizophrenia. This study assesses the reliability, validity, responsiveness and minimally important difference (MID) of the PSP in an outpatient population with stabilized schizophrenia.

Data from two clinical antipsychotic studies (n=411; mean baseline PANSS=66.4 and CGI-S=3.5) were analyzed. Outcome measures included PANSS, CGI-S, Strauss-Carpenter Level of Function (LOF) and PSP. Test-retest reliability for the PSP were assessed and intraclass correlation coefficients (ICC) derived. Convergent and discriminant validity was assessed. Sensitivity of the PSP to clinical change and the MID were evaluated.

The test-retest ICC exceeded 0.70, indicating good reliability. PSP was more highly correlated with LOF (p=0.61) than with the PANSS (p=−0.45). The PSP discriminated between different levels of CGI severity (p<0.0001). Regression analyses showed that PSP is sensitive to change in PANSS total score (p<0.0001). Based on a 1 category improvement in CGI-S, the observed between-group MID for PSP in stable patients was 6–7 points.

These data support the PSP as a reliable clinician-reported measure of personal and social function in outpatients with stabilized schizophrenia with good construct validity and sensitivity to clinical change.

TARGET AUDIENCE: Psychiatrists and mental health professionals.

REFERENCES:
EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize the unique challenges the psychiatrist’s encounters when treating patients with mental retardation and co-occurring mental illness; create a more appropriate treatment milieu on an inpatient unit; construct a more efficient treatment team approach.

SUMMARY:
Introduction: 27%-71% of patients with Mental Retardation (MR) have co-occurring mental illness. There is limited research on successful treatment programs, sparse outcome data and a lack of validated psychometric tests for this group of patients. These patients often have an insufficient length of stay (LOS) necessary to address their complex problems, receive inappropriate medications to treat behavior leading to misdiagnosis in an effort to support medication choice. The disconnect between behavior, diagnosis, and treatment led to the necessity of establishing a specialized inpatient unit with the partnership of Philadelphia Mental Retardation Services.

Methods: Phase I included training new staff; II included developing specialized programming, improving communication with outpatient providers, and optimizing coordination of care; III introduced a battery of psychometric tests designed to improve accuracy of diagnosis and assess degree of functioning; Phase IV was a chart review of the 100 patients admitted beginning in 2003 with the diagnosis of MR and mental illness.

Results: Pilot data comparing this specialized unit with matched controls in the non-specialized units showed a significantly longer LOS (19 vs 11 days, p < 0.05), more definitive diagnoses (e.g. fewer NOS diagnoses 0.0% vs. 7.3%), an overall trend towards reduction in the number of medications.

Discussion: Improved diagnostic accuracy, achieved through intensive evaluation permitted by longer LOS, led to appropriate treatment choices, reduction of unnecessary medications and side effects, with decreased recidivism. Ongoing prospective data collected to measure congruence between behavior, diagnosis, treatment, medication side effects, recidivism and impact of psychometrics on diagnostic accuracy. This research has the potential to redefine diagnostic approaches, treatment strategies, and quality of care in this challenging yet ever-rewarding patient population.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Developmental Psychiatrists/Inpatient Psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

Poster 209
Saturday, October 7
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

PREVALENT OF COMORBID ADULT ADD IN AN OUTPATIENT SETTING

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to be aware of a significant prevalence of comorbid adult attention deficit disorder (AADD) in psychiatric outpatient settings; identify situations where this is most likely to be present; recognize possibilities of AADD being an intervening variable in other studies.

SUMMARY:
Recent observations have begun to allow better identification of adults with comorbid attention deficit difficulties (AADD). ADHD in children and adolescents is frequently accompanied by comorbid difficulties. However, genetic underpinnings of ADHD are better considered as leading to a series of personality traits rather than a disorder. Adult traits consistent with the genetic roots of ADHD free of comorbid overlap have been designated as altered attention traits (AAT). When present with symptoms of ADHD, there is a high specificity for comorbid presence. The present study attempts to identify the prevalence of comorbidity in one psychiatric outpatient setting. A retrospective chart review was pursued for 126 adults seen consecutively (average age 44; 83 female), recognizing that inconsistent data was likely to be present and that estimates of probabilities of comorbidity would be necessary. 22 patients were discarded as data was insufficient for any estimate; 29 were unlikely (0–10% probability); 14 as limited possibility (10–30%); 21 as possible (30–60%); 22 as highly suggestive (60–90%) and 18 as confirmed (90–100%). Primary diagnoses for highly suggestive and confirmed were bipolar spectrum, anxiety with panic, OCD or PTSD and substance abuse. Likelihood of onset of these difficulties was rare beyond age 21.

REFERENCES:
Poster 210 Saturday, October 7 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

INSIGHT IN SCHIZOPHRENIA AND ITS RELATIONSHIP TO FUNCTIONING
Supported by Janssen, L.P.

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this presentation, the participant should be able to discuss the relationship between insight and variables reflecting clinical status, social functioning, and cognition. Further, the participant should be able to identify the impact of insight, negative symptoms, and treatment duration on social functioning.

SUMMARY:
Objective: To assess the relationship between insight, demographics, and clinical variables with functioning.
Methods: Stable patients with schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder received long-acting, injectable risperidone every 2 weeks in a 1-year trial. Insight was measured by the Positive and Negative Syndrome Scale (PANSS) G12 item. Other measures included PANSS factors, Clinical Global Impressions-Severity (CGI-S), Strauss-Carpenter Levels of Functioning (LOF), Personal and Social Performance Scale (PSP), and a cognitive battery. Correlation and regression analyses examined associations between insight, treatment duration, demographics, and clinical/functional measures.
Results: Baseline insight scores correlated significantly with baseline CGI-S, (r=0.30, P<0.001), PANSS factors (range, r=0.57–0.24, P<0.001), functioning scores (LOF item 7, r=-0.19, P<0.001); PSP total (r=−0.22, P<0.001), and cognitive domain Z scores (P<0.05). Significant correlations were observed for changes in many of these domain scores at endpoint. Regression models identified three significant (P<0.01) factors of PSP variance: insight (−1.7 PSP point/+1 insight point), negative symptom change (−0.7 PSP point/+1 negative symptom point), and treatment duration (0.8 PSP point/month).

Conclusions: Insight correlated significantly with measures of symptom/illness severity, cognition, and functioning. A significant association was noted between level of insight, negative symptoms and duration in study (compliance proxy) in patients with schizophrenia/schizoaffective disorder.
Source of Funding: Janssen, L.P.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinical Psychiatrists.

REFERENCES
which the students exhibited. The intervention utilized the performing and visual arts as well as large discussion groups of up to 70 adolescent participants as therapeutic strategies. The students and their teachers discussed the impact of the program in tape-recorded group interviews. They identified positive changes in students’ attitudes and behavior and increases in their self-acceptance and self-worth as direct outcomes. They also thought that more involvement from community and family members would strengthen the model.

Funding was received from the Environmental Foundation of Jamaica and the Planning Institute of Jamaica.

REFERENCES:

URINE NEURAL THREAD PROTEIN IN ALZHEIMER’S DISEASE
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the end of this session, the participants should recognize that Urine Neural Thread Protein (UNTP) is valuable in the routine evaluation of cases of suspected Alzheimer’s disease.

SUMMARY:
A prospective study was carried out to demonstrate the utility of UNTP measurement in the diagnosis of Alzheimer’s disease. NTP is a 41 kD protein present in neurons which is selectively upregulated in Alzheimer’s disease (AD) brain and which is associated with the pathology of the disease. Over-expression of NTP in transfected neuronal cells promotes neuritic sprouting, apoptosis and cell death. Using a new competitive ELISA UNTP assay kit, levels have been measured in samples from cases of AD as well as age matched normal controls and a variety of neurological disease controls (N=168). Levels of greater than 22 μg/mL are found consistently in cases of probable AD and in less than 10% of controls. UNTP measurement provides an improvement of 23% in positive predictive value, and an improvement of 78% in negative predictive value, compared to prior probability based on prevalence. This prospective study confirms earlier retrospective studies of UNTP and demonstrates its usefulness in the routine evaluation of cases of suspected AD.

Supported in part by funding from Nymox Corporation

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Geriatric psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

A RESIDENT FORUM ON THE USE OF SECOND GENERATION ANTIPSYCHOTICS IN BIPOLAR DISORDER: DOES CLINICAL PRACTICE REFLECT CLINICAL RESEARCH?

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize that selection of atypical antipsychotics for treating acute mania lags behind current research trends.

SUMMARY:
Objective: This study evaluated resident opinions and practice habits for utilizing atypical antipsychotics in acute mania. Method: Resident focus groups using case scenarios at two southeastern psychiatry residency programs discussed their opinions and prescribing practices for treating acute mania with atypical antipsychotics. Results: Although most of the twenty-five participating residents considered atypical antipsychotics as first-line treatment for acute mania, few prescribed antipsychotics
as monotherapy. A majority reported antipsychotics as equal or superior in efficacy to lithium for treating acute mania. Conclusions: Selection of atypical antipsychotics for treating acute mania in a clinical setting (residency training) lags behind current research trends. There are no funding sources to disclose.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
psychiatry residents, psychiatry resident educators.

REFERENCES:

ARIPIPRAZOLE: EFFECTS ON METABOLIC RISK FACTORS AND SEXUAL SATISFACTION Supported by Bristol-Myers Squibb Company

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participants should understand the impact of changing to aripiprazole on cardiovascular parameters and subjective sexual satisfaction.

SUMMARY:
Objective: To determine the impact of changing to aripiprazole on metabolic parameters and reported sexual satisfaction.
Method: A 6-month, open-label, predominantly naturalistic, prospective, changeover design was employed with the metabolic and sexual satisfaction data harvested through out the protocol.
Results: Seven, male subjects were enrolled, one completed, but 4 of 7 continued to take aripiprazole months after termination. Three of 7 had a worsening of their manic symptoms that ranged from mild (protocol continued) to severe (immediately dropped and several weeks required to restabilize). The protocol mandated discontinuation for doses other than 15–30mg of aripiprazole or required adjunctive psychotropics. Thus, two patients were dropped for needing only 7.5mg and another two receiving 40mg. Only the severe manic decompensation patient and another subject who had a mild deepening of his baseline depressive symptoms showed any symptomatic worsening. Impressively, all seven patients preferred the aripiprazole to their previous treatment. The metabolic changes were variable, unpredicted, and on average, without trend, though the variances on weight and circulating triglycerides were high. No patient, though, demonstrated the temporal pattern of weight gain that we have typically seen the other newer antipsychotics. There was little change on the sexual functioning survey.
Conclusions: The change to aripiprazole was associated with symptomatic manic worsening and enhanced subjective tolerability unrelated to improvements in sexual functioning or metabolic parameters.

REFERENCES:

ASSESSMENT OF WEIGHT LOSS CLASSES FOR PATIENTS WITH SEVERE MENTAL ILLNESS Supported by Bristol-Myers Squibb Company

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participants should be able to understand that patients who suffer from severe mental illness have the ability benefit from behavioral intervention classes.

SUMMARY:
Since their introduction in the early 1990s, second generation antipsychotic medications (SGA’s) have become first line treatments in the United States for schizophrenia. Though the SGAs have little extrapyramidal toxicity, weight gain is the new Tardive Dyskenisia of
these drugs. Weight gain is an emotionally distressing side effect that contributes to non-adherence. Additionally, it has been found that patients treated with antipsychotic medications who gain weight have a reduced quality of life, poorer self-reported general health, and decreased vitality.

There is much skepticism and stigma about whether patients with severe mental illness (SMI) can participate, understand, and benefit from a behavioral approach to weight loss. The goal of this study was to develop a set of sixteen classes, adapted from the Diabetes Prevention Program, that were understandable and enjoyable for overweight patients with SMI. The efficacy of these classes was assessed in small pilot groups at an outpatient schizophrenia clinic.

Optional weekly surveys reflected that the classes were understandable, informative, and enjoyable, as well as outstanding attendance. By the end of the program most patients had initiated a modest exercise program, and reported some weight loss. Secondarily, classes had a pro-social effect for patients with profound negative symptoms.

Educational Objective: Patients who suffer from SMI have the ability to attend, benefit from, and enjoy behavioral intervention classes given on a regular basis. Patients were able and motivated to alter their nutritional and exercise regimen in attempts to counteract the metabolic side effects of SGAs.

REFERENCES:

SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREDICTS HOSPITALIZATION IN 2,963 VETERANS WITH BIPOLAR DISORDER

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this presentation the participant should be able to identify those patient with bipolar disorder who are at high risk for admission to psychiatry.

SUMMARY:

Objective: To develop profiles of risk factors for psychiatric hospitalization so healthcare needs may be planned.

Method: This retrospective study used the database maintained by the Veteran’s Affairs Health Care System, Palo Alto, (2003–2004) to extract data for veterans diagnosed with bipolar disorder (Types I, II, and NOS).

Predictors included age, gender, ethnicity, and presence of comorbid substance use disorders. A Receiver Operator Characteristic (ROC) was used to determine the association of the predictors with hospitalization.

Results: Veterans with bipolar disorder had a risk of psychiatric hospitalization of 20%. Patients with comorbid alcohol use disorder had a 43% risk of hospitalization; comorbid polysubstance dependence (PSD) increased the risk to 57% and those separated had a risk of 100%. Patients without an alcohol use disorder, but who were separated from their spouses the risk of hospitalization was 76%. Age did not appear to predict inpatient hospitalization.

Conclusions: High rates of alcohol and substance use are reported in bipolar patients (Cassidy, 2001) and annual societal costs approach $45 billion (Sajatovic, 2005). Comorbid alcohol use, polysubstance dependence, and marital separation increased the risk of psychiatric hospitalization in this population.

REFERENCES:
weight reduction and improved metabolic profile by participating in the LEARN Program for weight management in conjunction with a behavioral and nutritional intervention program.

SUMMARY:

Objective: We hypothesize that obese patients with schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder taking antipsychotic medications will show significant and durable weight reduction and improved metabolic profile by participating in the LEARN Program for weight management in conjunction with a food provision program.

Methods: Randomized, controlled, prospective study of 18 obese (BMI ≥ 30 kg/m²) outpatients at the Connecticut Mental Health Center, with schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder, taking typical or atypical antipsychotic medications, comparing body weight, blood pressure, fasting glucose, triglycerides and cholesterol at the beginning and end of a 16 week behavioral intervention (LEARN program plus food provision) or treatment as usual, and then crossed over to the other condition for an additional 16 weeks. All measurements repeated 6 months after completion of intervention.

Comparison of the results by t tests between week one and week 16 and week 1 and 6 months, along with comparing the results using repeated ANOVA.

Results: For all subjects who completed 6 months (n = 12) a significant mean effect due to time was observed. There was a decline in the mean weight across time with mean = 224.0 at week 1, mean = 217.4 at week 16, and mean = 213.0 at 6 months. With F(2,20) = 4.78, p<0.02, and a significant linear trend (p<0.02) indicating that change happened steadily over time. Pair wise comparisons showed a significant weight loss (p<0.05) between week 1 and week 16 (mean = 6.60 lbs) and between week 1 and 6 months (mean = 10.99 lbs). Paired T tests between week 1 and week 16 for those participants who lost weight showed a significant decline in fasting blood glucose t(6) = 5.27, p<0.002, two-tailed.

Conclusion: Health risks of antipsychotic medications can be reduced by a behavioral weight program in conjunction with food provision. The results need to be confirmed in a larger study.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Health care professionals including physicians, psychiatrists, residents, and students).

REFERENCES:

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OF AGITATION IN PREGNANCY

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to discuss the impact of antipsychotic medication and benzodiazepines on pregnant women and the fetus; and evaluate management strategies for pregnant women who are treated in a psychiatric emergency service.

SUMMARY:

Objective: To better understand how agitated pregnant women are pharmacologically managed in a psychiatric emergency service (PES).

Method: A retrospective chart review was conducted on 80 women admitted to a PES with HCG-positive urine, from January 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005. Demographics chief complaint, medical status, drug use, medical management in the PES, pregnancy awareness, prenatal care, and trimester of pregnancy were analyzed. Where possible, pregnancy outcomes were obtained from Temple University Hospital Systems (TUHS) records. Demographic profiling and characterization of other variables were completed using simple frequency calculations and cross tabulations with SPSS.

Results: Thirty-one (39%) patients received psychotropic medication. A total of 34 doses were administered to these patients; only three of which were a second dose. Haloperidol, alone or in combination with a benzodiazepine, was the most frequently administered psychotropic medication. Of the delivery records were available, all eleven babies had normal birth weights and APGAR scores.

Conclusion: Acute agitation can successfully be managed with antipsychotic medication and/or benzodiazepines. Haloperidol, given as a single agent, is the authors’ preferred drug. However, the minimal amount of medication necessary should be used and any intervention should also include interpersonal management techniques to attenuate the agitation.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Emergency psychiatrists, and hospital-based psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:
1. Allen MH, Currier GW, Hughes DH: Medication strategies for a pregnant woman who is agitated, psychotic, and unresponsive to direction. The Expert
CHILDHOOD TRAUMA AND BORDERLINE PERSONALITY DISORDER

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to determine the association between early childhood trauma and borderline personality.

SUMMARY:

Objective: To determine the association between a diagnosis of borderline personality disorder and history of childhood abuse.

Background: Personality disorders affect 10–15% of the adult US population and prevalence of borderline personality disorder in general population is 2%. Most theories about the etiology of BPD include the biological predisposition and psychosocial factors.

Biological factors, such as abnormal monoaminergic functioning (especially in serotonergic function) has been implicated but has not been well established by research. Psychosocial formulations highlight the high prevalence of abuse (sexual, physical, and emotional) during childhood in these patients.

Method: Patients with DSM IV criteria of borderline personality disorder were compared to a healthy control group with regard to childhood abuse.

A retrospective chart review of 82 patients with diagnosis of borderline personality disorder and 82 patients without diagnosis of personality disorder in Outpatient Clinic at Bergen Regional Medical Center. History of childhood abuse was obtained. Other data collected included age, race and gender.

Results: Of the 82 patients with diagnosis of borderline personality disorder, 61 (74%) patients reported history of childhood abuse.

Of the 61 borderline patients with history of childhood abuse, 24 (39.3%) patients had history of sexual abuse, 5 (8.1%) patients suffered from physical abuse and 1 (1.6%) patient reported history of verbal abuse while 31 (51%) patients described multiple forms of abuse. 52 (85%) patients were females and 50 (81%) patients were Caucasian.

Of the 82 patients without diagnosis of personality disorder, 39 (47.5%) patients reported history of childhood abuse in different forms.

Conclusion: Our study indicated a higher incidence of childhood abuse among patients with diagnosis of borderline personality disorder. The results indicated that different forms of childhood abuse are broadly represented among patients with borderline personality disorders and majority of these patients reported sexual abuse during childhood.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists, residents, and fellows.

REFERENCES:

IS HYPERCHOLESTEROLEMIA A RISK FACTOR FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF ALZHEIMER’S DISEASE?

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to consider high cholesterol level as a risk factor for development of Alzheimer’s Disease.

SUMMARY:

Objective: To determine the effect of increased serum total cholesterol on the development of Alzheimer’s disease.

Background: Alzheimer’s disease is the most common cause of dementia in the United States. Clinical studies showed that advanced age, family history, low education, head trauma and Down’s Syndrome are risk factors for developing Alzheimer’s disease.

Cholesterol has become an important countenance of studies in cognitive deficits and some studies suggested that cholesterol is a potent risk factor for the development of Alzheimer’s disease. Researchers believed that im-
paired neuronal cholesterol homeostasis may account for neuropathological findings of Alzheimer’s disease such as amyloid formation and tau hyperphosphorylation causing neurites degeneration and loss of synaptic plasticity.

Method: A retrospective chart review of 100 patients who were admitted in the geriatric psychiatric unit at Bergen Regional Medical Center between January 2003 and December 2005.

50 patients have diagnosis of dementia of Alzheimer type and 50 patients within the same age and gender frame, who have psychiatric diagnosis other than dementia of Alzheimer type, were labeled as controls.

The data collected included age, gender, ethnicity, age of onset of Alzheimer’s disease, Axis I diagnosis, and fasting serum total cholesterol for the study and control patients.

Data Analysis and Results: Of the 50 patients who have diagnosis of dementia of Alzheimer type, 25 (50%) showed increased fasting serum total cholesterol. Of these patients, 10 (40%) were males and 15 (60%) were females, 22 (88%) were Caucasians and 3 (12%) were African-Americans with ages between 65 and 88 years and age of onset of Alzheimer’s disease between 65 and 73 years. Of the 50 patients who have psychiatric diagnosis other than dementia of Alzheimer type, 11 (22%) showed increased fasting serum total cholesterol.

Conclusion: Our study indicated that 50% of patients with diagnosis of Alzheimer’s disease have elevated total cholesterol. Of these patients, 88% were Caucasians and 60% were females with ages between 65 and 88 years and age of onset of Alzheimer’s disease between 65 and 73 years. The findings suggest that elevated total cholesterol may play a role in the development of Alzheimer’s disease.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists, and primary care physicians.

REFERENCES:

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to identify the effect of the season on the rate of admissions with different psychiatric diagnoses in different seasons.

SUMMARY:
Background: Influence of seasonal changes on mood and behavior is called seasonality. DSM IV recognized the cyclic pattern of mood disorder symptoms in adults in absence of psychosocial stresses. Several studies showed effects of climate and sunlight on the rate of admissions of adult patients. However, little is known about effect of seasonal fluctuations on geriatric population.

Method: A retrospective chart review of 144 patients who were admitted in the geriatric psychiatric unit at Bergen Regional Medical Center between January 2004 and December 2004 with diagnosis of depression, bipolar disorder, schizophrenia, schizoaffective disorder, and dementia. The data collected included age, gender, date, of admission, date of discharge, and psychiatric diagnosis.

Results: The data showed recognizable seasonal variation in admissions with different psychiatric disorders. 47% of patients with diagnosis of depression were admitted in winter, 40% of patients with diagnosis of bipolar disorder-manic were admitted in fall, 40 % of patients with diagnosis of schizoaffective disorder were admitted in fall, 32 % of patients with diagnosis of schizophrenia were admitted in winter, and 36 % of patients with diagnosis of dementia with behavioral disturbances were admitted in spring. Higher incidence of seasonal fluctuations was found in Caucasian females.

Conclusion: Our study indicated that most of psychiatric admissions of elderly population occurred during fall and winter except for dementia with behavioral disturbances that was more prevalent during spring. The findings may suggest a seasonal pattern of hospital admissions of the elderly psychiatric patients. Further research is needed to ascertain this findings.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists, residents, and fellows.

REFERENCES:
EFFECT OF CHRONIC COCAINE USE ON THYROID STIMULATING HORMONE LEVELS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to assess the effect of chronic cocaine use on thyroid stimulating hormone (TSH) levels.

SUMMARY:
Background: Theoretically TSH (thyroid stimulating hormone) level in the anterior Pituitary is under control of TRH (thyroid releasing hormone) in the hypothalamus. If T3 and T4 levels are low, TRH is triggered from the hypothalamus and stimulates TSH release from the anterior Pituitary. TSH stimulates thyroid gland to release T3 and T4. Cocaine can induce endocrine and neurochemical changes that affect certain hormonal levels. The clinical manifestations of cocaine use mimic signs and symptoms of hyperthyroidism and some studies suggested that cocaine may affect the thyroid.

Method: A retrospective chart review of 200 patients who were admitted at Bergen Regional Medical Center. 100 patients have more than 1 year history of cocaine use and 100 patients within the same age and gender frame who don’t have history of cocaine use and labeled as controls. T4d TSH levels for the 200 patients were documented.

Results: Of the 100 patients who have diagnosis of cocaine dependence, 10 % showed TSH levels below normal. Of patients who showed low TSH levels, 80 % had normal T4 levels, 50 % were males and 50% were females. Of the 100 patients who don’t have history of cocaine use, 2 % showed low TSH levels with normal T4 levels.

Conclusion: Our study indicated that 10% of patients with diagnosis of cocaine dependence showed low TSH levels and of these patients 80% showed normal T4 levels. Our hypothesis that low TSH levels in cocaine dependent patients are not thyroidal phenomenon and it further has no effect on T4 levels. There is very little literature on this topic. Further studies can be done to investigate this phenomenon.

REFERENCES:

INNOVATIVE PROGRAM TARGETS “SKID ROW” PSYCHIATRIC PATIENTS: TWO-YEAR OUTCOMES

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to identify the two major components of the innovative inpatient program; describe how this patient population presents a unique challenge for mental health workers in urban centres; demonstrate the assessment methodology and describe its limitations; and assess whether patients improved at follow-up.

SUMMARY:
Objectives: To determine whether an integrated inpatient-outpatient program could increase and sustain treatment adherence and improvement in a group of impoverished and disenfranchised psychiatric patients in Vancouver’s downtown eastside. Methods: We designed a new inpatient-outpatient program to increase therapeutic alliance with patients who have limited successful mental-health contact. Community caregivers provided continuous contact throughout hospital admission; ward programming was developed to improve treatment adherence. Community case managers retrospectively rated the first 50 new admissions at baseline, 6 months prior to admission and at 3, 6, 12, 18, and 24 month intervals post-discharge. Ratings on a 7-point scale included: therapeutic alliance, medication adherence, case manager contact, psychiatric symptoms, abstinence, stable housing, health/safety risks, social activities, and CGI. Results: All patients were rated; none were lost to follow-up after 2 years. At baseline, we found a high frequency of homelessness (60% SRO, 15% NFA), stim-
uliant abuse (55%), HIV 20% Hep C 30% and chronic non-compliance 80%. At follow-up, all showed significant sustained improvements on all ratings compared to baseline; 68% of patients avoided readmission to any hospital for one year. Discussion: These results suggest that sustained improvement is possible with coordinated community and hospital care.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Administrators and staff that treat marginalized mental health clients.

REFERENCES:

Poster 224 WITHDRAWN

Poster 225 Saturday, October 7 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

BARRIERS TO EFFECTIVE ASSESSMENT AND TREATMENT OF TRAUMA

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, participants should be able to recognize the applications of telemedicine in psychiatry outpatient case management.

SUMMARY:
Videophone deployment in our outpatient case management program, an effort to overcome distance, traffic and improve case management time utilization, has increased medical access and patient satisfaction. In a patient population of 57 seriously mentally ill patients, 64.9% with 2 or more medical comorbidities, some refused to travel due to illness. 90% are highly satisfied or satisfied with videophone access to their psychiatrist. Psychiatrist access while making home visits has decreased emergency room utilization and missed appointments. In addition patients feel they are being treated with an innovative treatment alternative and their family members and care takers are also pleased with this treatment adjunct to face to face visits.

Case managers are also satisfied or highly satisfied with the ability to reach medical support and it has improved substantially their time utilization.

In addition to further decrease emergency room visits and bed days of care, videophones have also decreased
beneficiary transportation expenses. This has generated savings as case managers become more comfortable with videophone use and venture further into our catchment area. This has saved $680.00 dollars in the months of August/September 2005 alone. To date we have not experienced any technical failures, and continue to employ this resource effectively.

**TARGET AUDIENCES:**
Psychiatrists, other physicians, social workers, registered nurses, advanced practice psychiatric nurses, and other mental health professionals.

**REFERENCES:**

**Poster 227**
Saturday, October 7
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

**OUTCOMES OF ADOLESCENTS WHO RECEIVED ELECTROCONVULSIVE THERAPY**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to understand the impact of adolescent mental illness in adulthood; and understand differences in adult psychosocial outcomes of those treated with ECT and those not treated with Electroconvulsive therapy (ECT) as adolescents.

**SUMMARY:**
The long-term impact of electroconvulsive therapy (ECT) administration to adolescents is largely unknown. We identified adults who were hospitalized while adolescents in a retrospective fashion, matching patients who received ECT with those pharmacologically treated, and conducted follow-up interviews. Subjects were asked about past care experience, quality of life, current psychiatric diagnoses and care. Those who had received ECT as an adolescent were asked about their experience with and feelings about ECT, including any long-lasting effects.

Mean age of patients when they received treatment was 17.2 years. More than half (53%) of the 72 patients studied were diagnosed with major depressive disorder. Most had a family history of psychiatric illness (69%). Mean number of treatments for those who received ECT was 8.8. At follow-up, those patients who received ECT reported that ECT helped them a lot (67%); however, they also noted that a person should be seriously ill before having to receive ECT as a treatment. When asked how ECT compared to going to the dentist, all subjects reported it was ‘‘not as bad’’.

This study suggests giving ECT to adolescents does not appear to have devastating, long-term psychosocial or physical effects.

**REFERENCES:**

**Poster 228**
Saturday, October 7
8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

**EXPLORING CHALLENGES TO ALCOHOL MISUSE DETECTION IN WOMEN IN PRIMARY CARE**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to identify major barriers to detection of alcohol misuse in women in primary care; recognize how primary care physicians detect alcohol misuse in female patients; and understand reasons why alcohol misuse in women may go undetected in primary care.

**SUMMARY:**
Although alcohol misuse in women is a major public health concern, research finds that misuse frequently is neither detected nor assessed in primary care settings.
The limited existing research in this area concentrates on barriers to assessment and detection in primary care, without focusing on how these barriers interfere with detection. Moreover, this research tends to have a gender-neutral lens. Little is known about the process of assessment and detection, and how it leads to underdetection in female primary care patients.

A convenience sample of primary care physicians participated in an hour-long focus group. Participants were asked to reflect on their personal process around detection of alcohol misuse in their female patients. Focus group data was digitally audiorecorded and transcribed. Themes were identified, and responses coded into each theme.

Physicians report facing structural barriers to assessment and detection, including having limited time available to spend with each patient and decreased continuity of care. Emphasis was placed on the importance of establishing trust and some form of relationship between physician and patient. Increasing patient awareness of alcohol misuse, communication between doctor and patient, and continual assessment at follow-up were suggested as the most important ways to facilitate increased detection.

Future research should focus on interventions that incorporate the issues of establishing trust and communication in the physician-patient relationship, and should explore ways to increase effectiveness and efficiency of assessment practices that work well within given constraints of the modern health care practice environment.

REFERENCES:

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to summarize the literature on demographic differences in diagnosis of psychosis in the United States; recognize potential causes of such differences; and use this information to examine local care of patients with schizophrenia and similar disorders.

SUMMARY:
Epidemiologic studies in the United States have found significant demographic differences in the diagnosis of schizophrenia. For example, several studies report that African Americans are significantly more likely to be diagnosed with a primary psychotic disorder compared to Caucasians. Such discrepancies may reflect actual differences in prevalence, various forms of bias, or some combination. This poster broadly attempts to assess state and local differences in diagnosis of psychosis by age, race and socioeconomic status in South Carolina. In particular, the authors use public data on psychiatric inpatient discharge diagnoses to develop odds ratios for diagnosis of psychosis in African American patients compared to all other patients. These data suggest no significant difference in discharge diagnosis of psychosis by race statewide. When stratified by age, however, African Americans are significantly less likely to be diagnosed with psychosis at younger ages but more likely at older ages. In addition, African Americans are significantly more likely to be diagnosed with psychosis in the poorest areas of the state. The authors discuss possible explanations for these findings. Understanding regional differences in the diagnosis of psychotic disorders is important to informing and improving care of these patients.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Mental health clinicians involved in care of patients with schizophrenia and similar disorders, and epidemiologists and other researchers interested in demographic differences in the diagnosis of psychotic disorders.

REFERENCES:
ADAPTIVE FUNCTIONING IN OLDER PERSONS WITH SCHIZOPHRENIA
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize and target clinical, psychosocial, and environmental risk factors to enhance functioning in older persons with schizophrenia.

SUMMARY:
Adaptive functioning entails the ability to handle instrumental activities of daily living (IADL) and to establish socially meaningful relationships. We examine factors associated with IADL and confidants in older schizophrenic persons. Methods: The Schizophrenia group (S) consisted of 198 persons age 55+. We used an adaptation of Berkman-Gurland’s model of social functioning that consisted of two dependent variables: IADL and number of confidants, and 14 independent variables. Results: In logistic regression, 4 of 14 variables attained significance for being in the high IADL group: non-white, fewer negative symptoms, fewer physical disorders, and non-group living. Three of 14 variables attained significance for being in the high confidant group: younger age, higher income, greater use of ‘‘finding meaning’’ as a coping strategy. Conclusion: The IADL and confidant groups were not associated with each other in logistic regression analysis. They seem to be separate measures of functioning. Our findings suggest service strategies to enhance functioning must concomitantly target clinical, psychosocial, and environmental risk factors.

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TARGET AUDIENCE:
General psychiatrists, geriatric psychiatrists, clinical social workers, and hospital administrators.

REFERENCES:

DISCONTINUATION AFTER FIVE YEARS OF ANTIDEPRESSANT PROPHYLAXIS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to evaluate whether five year stability on antidepressants is an adequate time period after which one may consider a discontinuation of medication.

SUMMARY:
Naturalistic studies regarding the efficacy of antidepressants have been pretty scarce. The long-term efficacy of selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRI’s) in preventing recurrent episodes of depression after successful treatment of the acute episode has not been shown for > 2 years in controlled trials or naturalistic studies. To evaluate the prophylactic efficacy of four SSRI’s: fluoxetine, citalopram, sertraline and paroxetine in a naturalistic clinical setting to responders to these medicines during acute depression who continued on the medications for at least five years.

71 patients who were treated for depression with one of the three SSRI’s were evaluated. After 5 years of clinical stability 22 chose to be tapered and discontinued from their SSRI’s over a 2–5 month period and 49 which to continue SSRI prophylaxis. In following these patients for an additional 3 years, it was noted that 14/22 patients discontinued from medication had a known relapse over a subsequent 3 year period vs 17/49 who continued on SSRI’s (p<.001)

In conclusion: in this naturalistic setting, despite five years prior stability, discontinuation led to more frequent relapse than continuation over a five year period.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Clinical psychiatrists, and residents.

REFERENCES:
Poster 232 Saturday, October 7 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

DEPRESSION, PSYCHOSES, AND FUNCTIONING IN OLDER ADULTS WITH SCHIZOPHRENIA

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to demonstrate interaction between comorbid depression and symptoms of psychosis in older persons with schizophrenia; and illustrate clinical significance of comorbid psychopathology, as well as its impact on functioning.

SUMMARY:

Background: Older adults with schizophrenia can be categorized based on the presence or absence of psychoses and depression: no depression/no psychosis, no depression/psychosis, depression/no psychosis, depression/psychosis. We examined the association between these categories and various measures of functioning.

Methods: The sample consisted of older schizophrenic persons (S) and a matched comparison group from the community (C). The independent variable consisted of 4 aforementioned categories based on the PANSS and CESD. The dependent variables consisted of the 5 subscales and the total score on the Dementia Rating Scale (DRS), the Instrumental Activities of Daily Living (IADL) scale, and the number of confidants.

Results: The S subgroups scored significantly worse than the C group on all dependant variables. For the 4 subcategories of the S group, there were significant group differences on conceptualization subscale of DRS, overall DRS score, number of confidants, but not the IADL scale. The groups with no psychoses generally scored higher than the groups with psychoses.

Conclusions: Although all S groups were more impaired than the C group, those persons with psychoses had the greatest impairment, and being depressed without psychoses was not associated with additional functional impairment. The implications for treatment and research will be discussed.

This study was partially funded by NIGMS, Grant S06GM54650.

REFERENCES:

Poster 233 Saturday, October 7 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

SOMATIZATION AND ACCULTURATION AMONG RUSSIAN AND HISPANIC IMMIGRANTS WITH CHRONIC MENTAL ILLNESS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize the multiple factors that may alter the frequency of somatic complaints.

SUMMARY:

Objective: To investigate 1) the frequency of somatic symptoms among Russian and Hispanic immigrants who were chronically mentally ill and in a partial hospitalization program, 2) the relationship between acculturation and somatization; and 3) whether demographic factors may alter the presentation of somatic complaints in these patients.

Method: 60 Russian origin patients and 60 Hispanic origin patients in a psychiatric day program were assessed for somatization and acculturation. The patients were chronically ill and had suffered from mood disorders and/or psychosis but were in remission. We defined somatoform symptoms by the score on the somatization subscale of the Symptom Check List Revised 90. Acculturation level was measured by a short acculturation scale. Demographic data was collected, including age, gender, marital status, occupation, length of time in the U.S. and educational level. Chi-square was used to categorical variables. Student’s t test was used for comparison of continuous variables and a Pearson product moment correlation between continuous variables.

Results: a) Somatization was significantly higher among Russian (mean=1.50+/−0.70) than Hispanics (mean=1.12+/−0.86); b) Acculturation was significantly higher among Hispanics (mean=1.83+/−0.6) than Russians (mean=1.58+/−0.67); c) There was a significant correlation between somatization and acculturation overall(r=−0.22, p<0.05) and in Russians (r=−0.28, P<0.05) but not in Hispanics; d) The length of stay in
the US correlated with the acculturation level overall (r=0.3, p<0.001) and in Russian (r=0.48, p<0.01) and Hispanic (r=0.27, p<0.05); e) Hispanics have lived a longer time in the US than Russians. Russians were significantly more educated than Hispanics; f) Somatization correlates with gender overall (r=0.27, p<0.01) and in Hispanics( r=0.35, p<0.01) and Russians(r=0.26, p<0.05).

Conclusions: Somatization negatively correlates with the acculturation process overall and in Russians only. Apparently this relationship is affected by the length of time in the new country as the Russians with lower acculturation scores and higher somatization scores have been in the US a shorter period of time compared with the Hispanics in whom the relationship is not significant. Females were more prone than males to somatize as previous studies showed. Length of time in the U.S. and gender are the primary factors effecting somatization not cultural differences or education.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Physicians, nurses, medical students, and psychologists.

REFERENCES:

Poster 234  Saturday, October 7 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

TRANSFORMING PSYCHIATRY:
REDUCING REDUCTIONISM

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to identify forces constricting the scope of practice in psychiatry, and be familiar with the major areas of change recommended within organized psychiatry.

SUMMARY:
Despite the expansion we have seen in our understanding of the mechanics of the human brain, the scope of psychiatry has actually been growing smaller in recent years. We have watched as our systems have evolved in ways that constricts the range of our practice and the growth of our skills. Our programs for training psychiatrists have too often acquiesced to this system, and young psychiatrists are increasingly ill prepared to assume the clinical leadership roles.

High caseloads and limited time to engage in empathic communication has created circumstances that no one can be happy with. Consumers, families and communities want more personal contact and more choices in the services they receive. Psychiatrists lament that all they have time for is writing prescriptions and completing required documentation.

It is time that psychiatrists in public service and those they work with, begin to think differently. It is time to begin transforming both the profession and mental health care. To do this, psychiatrists must develop a thorough understanding of recovery as a goal and a process and embrace the added value of effective partnerships with consumers, families, and other disciplines and stakeholders. At the same time, systems of care must creatively develop methods to support psychiatrists in this effort.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Mental health professionals.

REFERENCES:

Poster 235  Saturday, October 7 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

DO PATIENTS WITH DRUG ABUSE BEHAVIOR HAVE MORE VIOLENT ACUTE EPISODES?

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize and evaluate the risk of violence among inpatient drug abusers.
SUMMARY:
The purpose of this work is to determine if there is a link between violence within acute psychiatric episodes and use of common drugs such as marijuana, alcohol, cocaine, opiate drugs and amphetamines among people suffering from psychiatric disorders.

The research center is The ‘‘Maison Blanche Avron Hospital Center’’ dedicated to the inhabitants of 20th district of Paris, rather no wealthy population confronted with both delinquency and mental health problems.

For four months, screening drug detection was done for every new hospitalized patient. Violence was also evaluated with the Borset Violent Scale.

Afterwards results were confronted to diagnosis and hospitalisation modality.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

Poster 236 Saturday, October 7 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.
COPING AND SCHIZOPHRENIA: A NEW FRAMEWORK
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize that cognitive behavior therapy (CBT) can be used as a first step in reducing trauma related systems in chronically ill hospitalized psychiatric patients.

SUMMARY:
Rationale: Chronically ill hospitalized psychiatric patients have a high prevalence of trauma and abuse.
Kingsboro Psychiatric Center, an affiliate hospital of SUNY Downstate routinely screens patients at intake for a history of physical abuse or neglect, domestic violence, sexual abuse, or other traumas such as having been a witness or victim of a violent crime. The inpatient setting provides an opportunity to evaluate the effect of group CBT on such patients.

Methods: The cohort consisted of twenty four patients with a Major Axis 1 Diagnosis and co-morbid PTSD. Four psychologists underwent twelve week seminar training in Trauma Healing using a group model proposed by the NYS Office of Mental Health.

Patients underwent 12 weeks of supportive psychotherapy followed by 12 weeks of CBT in Trauma Healing. Treatment outcome was compared using the Modified Impact of Events, and Brief Psychiatric Rating Scales (BPRS) prior to commencing and at the completion of each treatment modality.

Results: Following the completion of Supportive therapy and CBT, patients continued to have elevation of intrusive and avoidance symptoms but only CBT patients showed reduction of anxiety, hostility tension, and suspiciousness on the BPRS.

Conclusions: Since chronically ill hospitalized patients are not candidates for traditional CBT or exposure therapy, and the focus of early treatment is on issues of trust, safety, and arousal-management strategies, these findings are an encouraging first step in reducing trauma related symptoms in this population.

REFERENCES:

Poster 237 Saturday, October 7 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.
USING FILMS IN INTENSIVE OUTPATIENT TREATMENT PROGRAMS
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to learn therapeutic qualities of the movies applied in a group setting

SUMMARY:
St. Vincent Hospital and Health Services, Erie, PA, has started Behavioral Health, Intensive Outpatient Treatment Program and been consolidating Group Movie Therapy Sessions since September 2005.

These gatherings based on Three E’s Principle: Entertainment, Education and Empowerment (Healing) have been provided in 90 minute sessions on Mondays and Thursdays.
Its format consists of watching film clips related to the theme of the sessions including but not limited to problem solving, ego strength, positive thinking, changing beliefs, emotions, anger & stress management, forgiveness and healthy communications. Once they are shown, the participants move to discussion about what has been going on in a given scene(s). The last part of review is drawing parallels to the attendants’ own difficulties and tools with which they resolve them. Dr. Ulus has been licensed by the Motion Picture Licensing Corporation, Inc. in conforming to copyright laws.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Psychiatrists, psychologists, clinical social workers and educators.

REFERENCES:

Poster 238 Saturday, October 7 8:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

USE OF METHYLPHENIDATE IN TREATMENT RESISTANT DEPRESSION
Supported by Ortho-McNeil Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to better understand the relationship between depression and ADHD; and recognize the importance of screening depressed patients for ADHD.

SUMMARY:
Because depression and ADHD frequently co-occur, the authors hypothesized that treatment resistant depression (TRD) would respond to the addition of a psychostimulant to standard SSRI treatment. The study was a single-site, double-blind, placebo-controlled clinical trial of the psychostimulant Concerta (18 to 54 mg/day) added to fluoxetine (20 to 40 mg/day) (CAF) compared to placebo added to fluoxetine (PAF) for seven weeks. The TRD group consisted of 40 adults. A convenience sample of 40 adults without known mental illness was used to compare ADHD scores and prevalence. There was no significant difference in the change in the Hamilton Depression Inventory score for the CAF versus PAF (~8.6 vs. ~7.1, p=0.63) groups. Secondary outcome measures showed greater improvement in the CAF than PAF groups, including the ASRS Scale B (p=0.065), the Quality of Life Enjoyment and Satisfaction Questionnaire (p=0.005), the Sheehan Disability Scale (p=0.051), and the Clinical Global Impression of severity of depression (p=0.008) and ADHD (p=0.039). The addition of the psychostimulant Concerta to fluoxetine was associated with greater improvement in some measures of depression, ADHD, quality of life and disability. Support for this study was provided by McNeil Consumer and Specialty Pharmaceuticals, Fort Washington, PA.

TARGET AUDIENCE:
Practitioners treating patients with mood disorders.

REFERENCES:
THE CONTEXT FOR PSYCHIATRIC INTERVENTION: NARRATIVES OF WOMEN SURVIVORS OF CHILDHOOD MALTREATMENT

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this symposium, the participant should be able to recognize and support diverse paths to healing in life narratives of female survivors of childhood maltreatment.

SUMMARY:
This research was an interdisciplinary NIH funded narrative study regarding women thriving abuse survivors. This study focused on how these women became successful despite their traumatic experiences of childhood abuse. Samples consisted of 27 community dwelling women who responded to a newspaper article describing the study as unique in its non-pathologizing stance. Study aims focused on exploring aftereffects, strengths, interactions, and social contexts relevant to success. Narratives were obtained in three, open-ended interviews spaced over 7–12 months. “Successful struggling” rather than “thriving” was determined by the research team to more accurately describe the process of success for these women. The core conceptualization of the process of success for these women is two-fold: becoming and being resolute. The processes are described in terms of trajectories, turning points, family and social interactions, and health care experiences. The panel will discuss issues related to health care experiences, trajectories, relationships, and memory. Potential outcomes include reducing human and monetary costs and interrupting intergenerational and culturally-tolerated childhood abuse.

No. 1A
LIFE TRAJECTORIES OF WOMEN SURVIVORS OF CHILD MALTREATMENT: REDEMPTIVE AND CONTAMINATING SEQUENCES

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SUMMARY:
We used narratives to reconstruct chronologies of women abuse survivors’ paths through life to define turning points, and sequences of events following transitional, pivotal events in life after abuse. Using Mcadams’ method for examining life stories we identify intentionally positive actions by survivors, and the sequences that followed. The two types of sequences McAdams defines are (a) redemptive (relating positive outcomes, such as better relationships, gaining safety, achievements, etc.), and (b) contaminating. Contaminating sequences are negative outcomes that follow attempts to help or change one’s constricted, traumatizing circumstances. The diversity of trajectories in this group of women survivors is well articulated in verbatim quotes, and brief case summaries as exemplars of each type of sequence. The account of one participant may contain several narrations of a key life event, told at different interview points. This informed the trajectory analysis as well, providing ways that abuse and healing are narrated for different purposes, or from different self-perspectives of the participant. Often the “severity” of abuse as traditionally gauged is not correspondent to the personal perception of damage, and similarly, of the magnitude of evil faced. Attributions about, and aftereffects of abuse, influence decision points and transitions confronted in recovery, in addition to traumatic events as actually experienced. Participants demonstrated great diversity in patterns of facing, interpreting, describing and overcoming adversities as manifested in private worlds of abuse and neglect. This paper will also discuss typology and characteristic life patterns with clinical implications.

No. 1B
RELATIONSHIPS AND INTERACTIONS IN THE AFTERMATH OF CHILD ABUSE: CONSTANCY, DIFFERENTIATION, AND CHALLENGE

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SUMMARY:
In analyzing the narratives of the women abuse survivors in this study, the role of relationships emerged as a key and complex component. This paper will present description and analysis of the nature of key relationships that the respondents perceive to have been central to seeing abuse for what it was/is, and becoming adept at moving beyond it. Interactions of import could be brief encounters with strangers to enduring relationships. The most frequently reported positive interpersonal relation-
ships in childhood were with teachers and coaches, these exceeded grandparents, siblings and other relatives combined. In adulthood, husbands, bosses and coworkers, therapists and one’s own children were the most reported. Participants described helpful relationships in great detail, in both emotional and substantive language. Through iterative close readings and analysis, it became evident that across stories, stages of life and casts of characters, many positive interpersonal relationships bore similar characteristics and could be categorized as one of two distinct motifs, we referred to as the “No matter what” or “Saw something in me,” a typology derived from the participants’ own words. A third motif emerged from within negative contexts, a “Who I am not” relationship that provided definition by converse and challenge. The perceived meanings and contributions of these relationships to the journeys of successfully struggling survivors will be discussed within the context of extant and emerging theories from attachment and challenge. The perceived meanings and contributions of these relationships to the journeys of successfully struggling survivors will be discussed within the context of extant and emerging theories from attachment to lifelong neuroplasticity with possible implications for practitioners, as well as for careful, caring adults in any setting.

No. 1C
MEMORY AGAINST EVIL: A TYPOLGY OF NARRATIVE REMEMBERING OF ABUSE

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SUMMARY:
The volume of in-depth textual, verbal data generated in this study facilitated examination of abuse memories not divisive of cognition, levels of consciousness, and fragmentation of identity. Instead the framework included close reading for prominence of context, and language patterns used in survivors’ telling the past stories of abuse and its aftermath. Here close reading refers to Barthesian discourse analysis, in which subjective meaning is the method’s focus. The memory patterns seen in this study are distinctive, but needn’t be seen as damaged or distorted. Traumatic memory has in the past been pathologized in the concept of dissociation as immature and dysfunctional. We considered that clinical pathologizing can be a secondary trauma visited upon abuse survivors in that health care providers lose the narrative thread in algorithmic, one-way communication involved in diagnosis. Memory and remembering, viewed from a narrative perspective is a set of nonlinear dynamics and that occur and recur. Memories surface, and resurface (or are resurfaced) at pivotal times. We entertain that their triggering needs not be reinjury, but may aid in recovery. Some remembering is “fractionary,” lacking rich detail and placement in temporal and geographic context. Some memories emerge as only a sense of dread, or a visual flash. A single participant maintained chronological, continuous, contextualized recall of abuse events throughout her life. Five types of remembering narratively are described, differentiated on the basis of contextual elements available in the told story of that memory. This analysis challenges some extant conceptualizations about trauma and memory, including that memories of abuse need to be “exorcized” through retelling, re-experiencing and/or desensitization. Implications for diagnosis, prognosis and psychotherapy are discussed.

No. 1D
HEALTH CARE EXPERIENCES IN THE NARRATIVES OF WOMEN SURVIVORS OF CHILDHOOD MALTREATMENT

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SUMMARY:
In the narratives of childhood, adolescence, and adulthood accounts of women survivors of child maltreatment various paths to healing were revealed. Almost all participants had some form of clinical intervention with identifiable patterns of diverse outcomes and evaluations. Helpful therapies/therapists allowed women to relate their stories under their conditions, and in their own time. Some women described long-term, in-depth and often intense therapy, with disclosures of abuse incidents in detail, and resolutions of problematic family of origin dynamics. Other participants sought brief periods of therapy during critical developmental or situational crises, or situations in their current lives. Contrary to the researchers’ expectations, many women based assessment of their overall life success, and in not wanting or needing to retell the detailed story of their childhood maltreatment in detail. Some of these women located therapists who did not press for disclosure. Harmful therapies/therapists involved “pushing” the client to reveal her traumatic experiences, to disclose before she was ready; encouraging the women to forgive abuser(s); and re-experience the emotional impact of specific painful incidents without regard to current situational needs and personal prerogative in therapy disclosures. Women reported satisfaction and benefits from therapy involving reading, journaling, artwork, and “working with their hands.” We will discuss the potential benefits of medication, in view of high incidence of depression and anxiety in this population. Few women spoke of using medication as an aid to healing, and many who had medication
prescribed were apparently not given adequate education about the drug and its mode of action.

REFERENCES:

Symposium 2 Thursday, October 5
8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

MOTIVATION-BASED APPROACHES TO COGNITIVE REHABILITATION OF SCHIZOPHRENIA

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this symposium, the participant should be able to understand the role that motivational deficits play in cognitive functioning in schizophrenia; discuss recently developed strategies for improving cognitive functioning in schizophrenia that are based on motivation-enhancing techniques; and recognize which of these techniques, or combination thereof, is appropriate for his/her clinical setting and patient population.

SUMMARY:
Cognitive difficulties are common in schizophrenia and are significant barriers to effective functioning in social, vocational, and educational (including psychoeducational) settings. Because antipsychotic medications have not demonstrated clinically meaningful improvements in cognition and functioning, cognitive rehabilitation interventions have been developed. These have produced mixed results, however. Those that rely primarily on repeated practice show limited effectiveness. In contrast, recently developed techniques that address both cognitive functioning and motivation to engage in training tasks have reported positive outcomes. In this symposium, four different motivation-based techniques will be highlighted. These techniques use varying formats (i.e., individual vs. group; computerized vs. non-computerized), and varied approaches (e.g., extrinsic vs. intrinsic reinforcement). At the conclusion of the four papers, the Discussant will compare and contrast the techniques, and integrate the findings into a conceptual model that can be used to guide the choice of technique to match patient needs.

No. 2A
ATTENTION SHAPING AS SUPPORTED COGNITION FOR SCHIZOPHRENIA

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SUMMARY:
Reduced attention span is a problem for many people with schizophrenia, and it interferes with the ability to learn new information in evidence-based psychosocial interventions. The behavioral technique of attention shaping has been used to successfully lengthen attention span, and increase learning, during skills training groups among patients who had previously been considered unable to benefit from these treatments. In this presentation, we report recent data on attention shaping as a method of supported cognition within the psychosocial treatment environment. We also present a model of the manner in which the initial use of extrinsic reinforcers to promote task success can lead to increases in self-efficacy, an improved working alliance with group leaders, and greater satisfaction with treatment. These can then act as intrinsic reinforcers to increase behavioral momentum, and ultimately sustain new attentive and participatory behaviors in the absence of tangible rewards. Implications of this model for the continued development of cognitive rehabilitation of schizophrenia will be discussed.

No. 2B
APPLICATIONS OF ERRORLESS LEARNING FOR REHABILITATION OF PERSONS WITH SCHIZOPHRENIA

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SUMMARY:

It is widely held that neurocognitive deficits are a core feature of schizophrenia and are related to community functioning. From a rehabilitation perspective, there is a clear need to develop psychosocial interventions that consider the influence of neurocognitive deficits on learning new skills necessary for successful independent living. Our lab has been involved in a program of research aimed at: (a) gaining a stronger understanding of the severity and scope of neurocognitive deficits associated with schizophrenia; (b) understanding the relationship between neurocognitive functioning and functional outcome (e.g., work and social functioning); and (c) developing innovative rehabilitation interventions borne out of the knowledge of neurocognitive deficits as rate-limiting factors to rehabilitation success. One compensatory intervention we have studied is called errorless learning. It is based on empirical findings that learning is stronger and more durable if it occurs without errors. Initial studies were laboratory-based and targeted performance deficits on neurocognitive tests. Subsequent efforts have included more clinically relevant targets, such as teaching entry level job tasks and social problem-solving abilities. We are currently extending our research to community mental health settings to teach employment specialists how to implement errorless learning principles in teaching work skills to their clients with severe mental illness.

No. 2C
THE ROLE OF INTRINSIC MOTIVATION IN COGNITIVE SKILLS TRAINING

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SUMMARY:

Cognitive skills training sets out to improve neuropsychological skills by providing exercises to either directly enhance the deficit area, or provide compensatory strategies to bypass the weak skills. Typical cognitive targets of intervention are attention, memory and problem solving, all areas of cognition associated with functional outcome in schizophrenia. In as much as the cognitive exercises involve learning a set of skills, the role of motivation in achieving these learning goals must be appreciated. Intrinsic motivation refers to the motivation to reach a goal which is viewed as inherently of interest. People who are intrinsically motivated to learn have been found to have a high level of learning, persistence of activity, increased satisfaction and engagement with learning. Educational psychology has promoted the adaptation of learning experiences to enhance intrinsic motivation, and there is now a methodology that can be applied to skills training with schizophrenia. NEAR is a model of cognitive remediation that incorporates educational and neuropsychological principles in a program designed to increase intrinsic motivation and enhance learning of cognitive skills. This presentation will review the role of intrinsic motivation in learning, present the NEAR model, and discuss research on the impact of intrinsic motivation on learning in schizophrenia.

No. 2D
PRELIMINARY RESULTS FROM RANDOMIZED TRIALS OF MARYLAND COMPUTER ASSISTED COGNITIVE REMEDIATION FOR SCHIZOPHRENIA

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SUMMARY:

The Maryland Computer Assisted Cognitive Remediation program (MCACR) is designed to address a range of cognitive deficits in schizophrenia, from more basic processing speed and attention through integrative executive and cognitive control functions. Problems with motivation and mental effort are common among our patients and a central challenge for cognitive remediation. The core components of MCACR are: (1) training and shaping of organized, strategy-based problem solving; (2) guided practice on a curriculum of computer exercises; and (3) a supportive, one-on-one training model. The program enhances participant engagement by building from accessible, intuitive problem solving strategies (e.g., verbalization to enhance encoding and guide problem solving), using carefully selected but appealing computer exercises, and employing a warm and encouraging training style. We are currently testing the program in two randomized pilot trials with stable, mainly outpatient, schizophrenia participants. The control condition matches for computer activity and therapist contact. Outcome measures include training exercise metrics, neuropsychological test performance, and role-play-based proxy measures of community functioning. We will present preliminary analyses of the effect of MCACR on these outcomes. We will also present data relating to the moderating influence of motivation.

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Symposium 3 Thursday, October 5 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

**FOSTER CARE FOR FAMILIES IN DISTRESS: HELP OR HURT FOR TRAUMATIZED CHILDREN?**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**

At the conclusion of this symposium, the participant should be able to recognize the complexity of the task of keeping children safe, treating their trauma and respecting their complex needs when they have suffered abuse or neglect and are in distress; and recognize the complex needs of distressed mothers about losing their children.

**SUMMARY:**

This panel of experts, practitioners on the line, and families and youth involved in foster care will explore the history, phenomenology, medical and psychiatric interface with, and special problems of foster youth in 2006. This panel is formed at the specific request of the Scientific Program Committee of IPS as a means of extending the theme of Violence and Trauma into the issues of children and families. This diverse panel has each had a significant, but very different encounter with the phenomenon of foster care and will present from each of their unique perspectives. We hope to tap the child serving community in New York for a foster mother and a foster youth to comment on the primary presentations from their perspectives in foster care.

No. 3A

**HISTORY, CURRENT STATUS, AND SPECIAL CHALLENGES IN FOSTER CARE AS OF 2006**

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**SUMMARY:**

The history of modern foster care will be traced from the First White House Conference on Dependent Children in 1909 through the two world wars and the shift in emphasis to protection of abuse and neglected children after the Steele and Kempe article on the Battered Child Syndrome in 1962. The growing numbers of children entering foster care, difficulties in establishing a safe and permanent home for foster children, and the phenomenon of foster care drift will be addressed. Federal attempts to respond to this problem through the Adoption Assistance and Child Welfare Act of 1980 (P.L. 96-272) and the Adoption and Safe Family Act of 1994 (ASFA: P.L. 105-89) will be explained. Alternatives to out of home placement will be reviewed as well, particularly the innovations in systemic integration and community-based care pioneered by the initiation of the Child and Adolescent Service System Program in the mid ’80’s through the evolution of a System of Care approach to community-based care and the rise of Therapeutic Foster Care as a best practice.

No. 3B

**COMPREHENSIVE PSYCHIATRIC CARE FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS IN FOSTER CARE: WHERE DO WE STAND?**

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**SUMMARY:**

Children in foster care have suffered unthinkable traumas, repeated losses and separations. In addition to these insults, they continue to be marginalized with poor quality and access to medical and mental health care. Effective mental health service delivery programs are desperately needed to treat this population. This presentation will review literature on the psychiatric needs of youth in foster care and services to foster care children with an emphasis on problems in access, quality, continuity and cultural competence. This presentation will also review the DC KIDS Program, which is an innovative program that provides comprehensive medical and mental health care services to the foster children in Washington, DC, through a partnership between Children’s National Medical Center, Child and Family Services Agency, and the Department of Mental Health. Details of the structure of the program will be provided. Utilization of services descriptive data will be summarized. Current challenges and strategies for improvement will be explored.
No. 3C  
SERVING DISTRESSED WOMEN AND THEIR CHILDREN AT RISK FOR FOSTER CARE

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SUMMARY:
Women with substance use disorders are most often separated from their children when they seek treatment. Likewise, children are separated from their mothers when they too receive treatment, much of which is affected by maternal substance use. Both are often plagued with underlying emotional difficulties, domestic violence, and insufficient support, making treatment challenging. This presentation will give a resident’s experiences of delivering “fragmented” mental health services in various settings (inpatient, outpatient, and in the emergency room) to distressed birth mothers and their children at risk of being separated. The experiential material will be supplemented by research into the effective interventions for both women and their offspring designed to support both and prevent the need for out of home placement.

No. 3D  
PERMANENCY, PLANNING, AND OTHER DILEMMAS FOR YOUTH IN FOSTER CARE

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SUMMARY:
This presentation will describe an Adolescent Work Group process in Washington State’s social service system, driven by stakeholder input, to examine the special needs of adolescence for a different set of rules for their placement in foster homes. Those with knowledge of adolescent development raised questions about rules that stifle the participation in normative teenage activities such as traveling across state lines with foster families, learning to drive, and having unsupervised time with peers and peer’s families. The dilemma of permanency with adolescents, when many have primary relationships with birth families and will be forced to leave foster care on their 18th birthday, was a primary focus of this work group. Solutions and resistance to implementation will be discussed. The residence of adolescents to staying in foster care, preferring to live on the streets, will also be discussed, as well as efforts in the state of Washington to empower youth, including former foster children, to speak out in policy settings about the dilemmas of youth in foster care.

REFERENCES:

Symposium 4  
Thursday, October 5
2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

WOMEN IN THE COMMUNITY:  
CLINICAL ISSUES ACROSS THE REPRODUCTIVE LIFE CYCLE

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this symposium, the participant should be able to diagnose and treat psychiatric disorders in pregnant and postpartum women, including those with a history of physical or emotional trauma; coordinate care with other providers in the community to reduce morbidity and mortality; evaluate and treat premenstrual mood disorders; and diagnose and treat depression during the menopausal transition.
SYMPOSIA

SUMMARY:
Psychiatric disorders that present in relation to a woman’s reproductive life cycle are underdiagnosed and undertreated. This symposium is designed to facilitate rational clinical decision making in the treatment of mood disorders across the life cycle.

The most up-to-date information on the pathophysiology and treatment of Premenstrual Dysphoric Disorder (PMDD), Perinatal Mood/Anxiety Disorders, and depression during the menopausal transition will be presented. Participants will learn about new methods for studying ovarian steroids, the serotonin system and the GABA system in the development of premenstrual mood changes. The diagnosis of mood/anxiety disorders in perinatal women, the impact of trauma, and the effects on the mother-infant dyad will be discussed in depth. Emerging controversies regarding the use of pharmacotherapy in pregnancy and lactation will be addressed, helping participants design individualized treatment plans for their patients. Depression associated with the menopausal transition, including epidemiologic risk factors, concerns regarding the use of hormonal therapy in the post-Women’s Health Initiative Study era, and treatment options will be discussed in detail.

No. 4A
PERINATAL MOOD AND ANXIETY DISORDERS: IDENTIFYING A VULNERABLE POPULATION

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SUMMARY:
An estimated 12% of women suffer from depression in pregnancy while the prevalence rate of postpartum mood disorder is estimated to be 13%. Thus the perinatal period is clearly a time of increased vulnerability to developing mood and co-morbid anxiety disorders in predisposed women. The purpose of this presentation is to identify women who are at risk for developing: Major Depression including Bipolar Depression, Panic Disorder, Generalized Anxiety Disorder, Obsessive Compulsive Disorder, Post-traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and Eating Disorders during pregnancy and the postpartum period. Women with a history of sexual abuse who present with symptoms of PTSD in the perinatal period are often misdiagnosed. This issue will be addressed in terms of early identification and intervention. The effects of maternal mental illness on bonding and attachment will be described as it relates to the mother infant dyad. Finally, the increased risk of suicide, neonaticide, and infanticide in a mentally ill perinatal population will be addressed.

No. 4B
PERINATAL PHARMACOTHERAPY IN THE PUBLIC EYE: EMERGING CONTROVERSIES

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SUMMARY:
The use of psychotropic medications in pregnant and lactating women is increasing, but both clinicians and consumers question frequently whether their use is safe. For patients with mild-moderate disease, the risk-benefit decision may be more challenging than for those who are severely and persistently mentally ill. The largest amount of safety data regarding teratogenicity and long-term neurobehavioral development exists for antidepressants. However, in 2004, the FDA issued a public advisory that exposure to serotonergic antidepressants in the third trimester may be associated with transient neonatal complications, and in 2005, a preliminary study was released by the manufacturer which suggested an increased risk of cardiovascular malformations following first trimester exposure to paroxetine relative to other SSRIs.

This presentation is designed to facilitate rational clinical decision making in the treatment of perinatal depression and anxiety. The FDA advisory process will be reviewed, and the limitations of the available studies on pharmacotherapy and on child development in treated and untreated maternal depression and anxiety will be discussed. The fetal programming hypothesis will also be presented.

No. 4C
MENSTRUAL CYCLICITY AND MOOD: WHAT DO HORMONES HAVE TO DO WITH IT?

C. Neill Epperson, M.D., Director, Behavioral Gynecology Program, Yale University School of Medicine, 300 George Street, 9th Floor, New Haven, CT 06511

SUMMARY:
While the early Greek physicians theorized that intermittent behavioral disturbances and seizures observed in some women were secondary to the cycles of the moon, they were eventually linked to the monthly menstrual flow experienced by reproductive aged-women. Despite our modern conceptualization of the menstrual
cycle, ovarian hormone fluctuations and their considerable impact on central nervous system function, our understanding of the mechanism by which ovarian hormones contribute to the pathogenesis of premenstrual dysphoric disorder (PMDD) and premenstrual exacerbation of ongoing neuropsychiatric disorders is still in its infancy. Fortunately, this is a burgeoning field of investigation as novel research techniques have become available over the past decade and are being applied to the study of women’s reproductive behavioral health. Thus, the goals of this presentation are three-fold: 1) to bring the clinician up to date with the latest diagnostic tools used to assess menstrual cycle-related changes in mood/behavior; 2) to provide an overview of research implicating serotonin and gamma-aminobutyric acid neurotransmitter systems in the pathogenesis and treatment of PMDD; and 3) to discuss potential strategies for treating women with ongoing psychiatric disorders who destabilize during the premenstruum.

No. 4D

DEPRESSION DURING THE MENOPAUSAL TRANSITION: WHO IS AT RISK AND HOW TO TREAT IT?

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SUMMARY:

More than 1.7 million American women are expected to reach menopause each year. Recent statistics show that a 50-year old woman can now expect to live until her mid-80s, which implies living at least one-third of her life after menopause. The menopausal transition is typically marked by intense hormonal fluctuations accompanied by vasomotor symptoms (e.g., hot flashes, night sweats), sleep disturbance, and changes in sexual function. Recent studies have also demonstrated a significant association between menopausal transition and a higher risk for developing depression. In the post-Women’s Health Initiative era, physicians and patients are questioning the safety and efficacy of long-term hormone therapy to improve well being and to prevent/relieve somatic and psychological symptoms during the menopausal years and beyond.

This presentation will review the existing evidence on the benefits and risks of hormonal and non-hormonal therapies for the treatment of menopause-related mood and sleep disturbances, including estrogens, antidepressants, benzodiazepine-receptor agonists, and natural supplements. Epidemiologic data on risk factors for depression associated with the menopausal transition will be discussed.

REFERENCES:


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MONITORING DEPRESSION SEVERITY: CLINICAL APPLICATIONS IN PSYCHIATRY

Health Services Research Track

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this symposium, the participant should be able to update clinicians and researchers on the use of the nine-item Patient Health Questionnaire (PHQ-9) for the management of depression in psychiatry; and become familiar with innovative and practical approaches for improving care for patients with depression.

SUMMARY:

Depression is a common medical condition, responsible for an estimated economic cost of over $40 billion annually, a large impact on quality of life and productivity, and indirect effects on other health states including cardiovascular disease (1-3). Prior research highlights the importance of a systematic approach to ensure adequate diagnosis and management of depression in clinical practices. Routine follow-up and monitoring are considered essential components for the management of depression. However, the majority of clinicians do not employ a systematic approach in monitoring patient outcomes when treating depression. Much like blood pressure monitoring for hypertension, a simple quantitative instrument such as PHQ-9 holds significant promise in improving treatment for depression by equipping physicians with a standardized tool for monitoring depression severity.

This session will introduce an innovative, collaborative venture of the APA, the American Academy of Family Physicians, and the American College of Physicians designed to improve depression care in primary care and psychiatry. The session will: 1) familiarize the audience with the APA National Depression Management Leadership Initiative; 2) present data on clinical utility of the PHQ-9 for the treatment of depression in diverse psychiatric practices and current dissemination efforts; and 3) describe the process involved in integrating evidence-based depression management strategies into existing clinical practice, and successes and barriers in implementing change in diverse systems of care.

No. 5A
NATIONAL DEPRESSION MANAGEMENT LEADERSHIP INITIATIVE: IMPROVING DEPRESSION CARE

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SUMMARY:

Presently, primary care and psychiatric physicians do not routinely use an outcome measure to monitor severity of a patient’s depressive disorder. Collection of a standardized outcome measure in Diabetes Mellitus treatment (HgbA1c) has catalyzed the use of programs designed to improve diabetes outcomes. The Patient Health Questionnaire (PHQ-9) has emerged as a practical self-rated depression screening and severity measure for depression. Can the PHQ-9 become for depression what the HgbA1c is for diabetes?

The American Psychiatric Practice Research Network (PRN) of the APA, the American Academy of Family Physicians, and the American College of Physicians teamed up to engage 19 psychiatric and 18 primary care practices in a collaborative to develop practice-driven strategies to improve management of depression in routine clinical practice. This twelve month collaborative is based on the learning model created by the Institute of Healthcare Improvement and included three, in-person learning sessions in 2005. The symposium will focus on the psychiatric experience with the collaborative.

Data will be presented on treatment outcomes achieved by the practices and the utility of using PHQ-9 in clinical practice.

No. 5B
DEPRESSION MANAGEMENT IN PRIVATE PRACTICE: PRIMARY CARE AND PSYCHIATRY

Rodrigo A. Munoz, M.D., Former Consultant, APA/IPS Scientific Program Committee; and Past President, American Psychiatric Association, 3130 5th Avenue, San Diego, CA 92103-5839; Alicia Munoz, M.A.

SUMMARY:

In this session, approaches toward integrating evidence-based depression management into routine clinical care will be described. Our efforts at creating a close interaction with Primary Care Physicians (PCPs) in San Diego have so far resulted in two very different situations.

At a community clinic staffed by PCPs and psychiatrists, the interaction has been smooth and mutually rewarding. The Clinical Director, a PCP, has become the champion in the effort at obtaining universal screening using the PHQ-9, enhancing treatment strategies, inducing patients to increase their participation, and establishing common outcome goals.

Similar efforts creating an interaction in private practice between PCPs and psychiatrists working in the same community and attending the same hospitals, but using different offices have advanced very slowly, so that only a minority of the PCPs we have approached are using the PHQ-9, they are using it with selected patients, and are reluctant to use it to evaluate outcomes.

Barriers in private practice will be discussed including: PCPs perceptions about stigma; their reluctance to address issues related to suicide; and their feeling that...
third party payers will not reimburse them for depression treatment.

No. 5C
IMPROVING MANAGEMENT OF DEPRESSION IN A CLINIC SETTING

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SUMMARY:
Experiences in improving the management of depression in a moderately sized multispecialty group practice setting are described. The process has involved attitudinal shifts among physicians and office staff with the use of performance indicators and chronic disease management systems. The patient is quickly involved in assuming some responsibility and goals in his treatment by initially completing a standardized self-rating depression tool and then being introduced to various self-care management strategies. These may vary from simple suggestions to cognitive-behavioral goals. The self-rating scales plus clinical judgment guide the physician in treatment decisions as to whether to stay the course or alter treatment. Office staff initiates the assessment tool on every visit, logs results, distributes educational information and offers telephonic reminders and support. Progress and barriers in spreading these methods to better manage depression to primary care physicians are discussed. An overview of data collected from this practice will be presented.

No. 5D
IMPROVING DEPRESSION MANAGEMENT IN A CULTURALLY DIVERSE HOSPITAL SETTING

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SUMMARY:
Major Depressive Disorder has been found to be one of the most common psychiatric disorders, with a lifetime prevalence of approximately 15% (Sadock & Sadock, 2003). Therefore, there is a need for a short and simple diagnostic and assessment tool, much like a blood pressure test. Currently, doctors in New York City have begun to use such a simple questionnaire (Santora & Carey, 2005), known as the Patient Health Questionnaire-9 (PHQ-9), which might be served as an entry point for patients with depression and their clinicians to communicate about disease control and to adjust their therapy accordingly (Kroenke & Spitzer, 2002).

By joining the American Psychiatric Association’s collaborative effort to develop strategies to enhance the clinical management of depression, the investigators at Flushing Hospital Medical Center have found that the PHQ-9 is helpful in successful depression management, including among Asian Americans. In addition, the investigators believe that other elements are important during the treatment process, such as: ongoing patient and family education; active family involvement; other community resources utilization; patient’s self-health management; and vigorous follow-ups and case management. In conclusion, due to its usefulness, the PHQ-9 has been expanded to the entire mental health clinic and other parts of the hospital.

No. 5E
SYSTEMATIC APPROACH TO DEPRESSION MANAGEMENT IN A LARGE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

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SUMMARY:
As part of the National Depression Management Leadership Initiative, four clinicians from the Mayo Clinic Department of Psychiatry and Psychology initiated a program involving small steps toward system change. In this session, presenters will describe the process involved in integrating evidence-based depression management strategies into their existing clinical practice. In particular, strategies used to consistently assess depression (PHQ-9) at each patient visit, to record and track the PHQ-9 data, and to use PHQ-9 data summaries for clinician feedback will be described as the foundation for system redesign. Successes and barriers in initiating and spreading change to other clinicians will be highlighted, with some barriers relating to the challenges specific to change in a large system (e.g., time-consuming, complex process necessary to introduce a new data tracking mechanism into the electronic medical record), as well as other barriers relating to system change in any size system (e.g., clinician resistance to change in practice). Plans for implementing the successful depression management innovations throughout the entire clinical department and greater institution will be discussed.

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The functioning and well-being of depressed patients. Results from the Medical Outcomes Study. JAMA 1989; 262:914–919.


Symposium 6 Friday, October 6
8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

HIV CARE FOR THE MENTAL HEALTH CLINICIAN: PART 1

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this symposium, the participant should be able to understand the spectrum of HIV-related neuropsychiatric, psychiatric, and somatic disorders; learn to recognize common complaints, assess mental status, and provide follow-up care; understand his/her role on the treatment team; and participate in a case discussion.

SUMMARY:

The devastating toll of HIV disease is evident in almost every country in the world. Populations most affected by this pandemic include newborns, sexually active youth, men who have sex with men (MSM), injecting drug users, and women of color. As the life expectancy of people living with HIV infection has increased, mental health providers are more likely to encounter neuropsychiatric manifestations of the disease. Studies estimate that 75 percent of all AIDS patients will show symptomatic CNS consequences. Subsequently, as quality of life becomes a more central consideration in the management of this disease, better awareness of these neuropsychiatric manifestations is paramount.

The purpose of this three-part, multidisciplinary symposium is to create a dialog for understanding, diagnosing, and treating the psychiatric dimensions of HIV and AIDS. Attendees of this session will discuss the role of the mental health treatment team in ensuring the best possible care for persons living with HIV and AIDS, and gain knowledge about associated neuropsychiatric and psychiatric complications, assessment and patient care. Question and answer periods staggered throughout the program will provide the audience with an opportunity to discuss individual clinical cases and explore questions and concerns.

No. 6A

THE NEUROPSYCHIATRIC ASPECTS OF HIV INFECTION

Marshall Forstein, M.D., Director of Psychiatric Residency Training, Department of Psychiatry, Cambridge Hospital, Harvard School of Medicine, 24 Olmstead Street, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130-2910
SUMMARY:
There are significant direct consequences to the invasion of HIV into the nervous system that may present as neurological, neuropsychiatric, and/or psychiatric syndromes and disorders. These may arise acutely and require rapid evaluation and intervention or they may be chronic, subtle, and present accompanied by physical complaints. Dramatic changes in cognition, motor capacity, mood or behavior have obvious consequences for the individual. However, subtle neurocognitive impairments may affect coping mechanisms and the ability to work, adherence to HAART and medical care, and adherence to protective sexual practices. Appropriate training is needed to assess, diagnose, and treat the neuropsychiatric sequelae of HIV disease.

This presentation will focus on the treatment of psychiatric disorders in people with HIV and AIDS, with a focus on neuropsychiatric manifestations, psychiatric syndromes, and somatic complaints. Presenters will share their clinical experiences, focusing on the prevalence, clinical features, patient complaints, clinical course, differential diagnosis and treatment of these disorders.

No. 6B
CLINICAL ASSESSMENT AND INTERVENTION

Milton L. Wainberg, M.D., Associate Clinical Professor, Department of Psychiatry, Columbia University, 404 Riverside Drive, #5-B, New York, NY 10025-1861

SUMMARY:
Early involvement of mental health clinicians, in the assessment and treatment of neuropsychiatric complaints are essential to both the overall well-being of the patient and to the efficacy of other treatments. In addition to the enormous psychological burden of progressive illness and loss of physical function, even subtle and subclinical changes in brain function may significantly affect both quality of life and the ability for a person to participate in his or her own medical care.

This presentation will teach participants to recognize changes in affect, behavior, or cognition that may indicate CNS involvement, psychiatric impairment, or medication side effects or toxicities; understand how to assess mental health status; and provide appropriate interventions. This presentation will follow a lecture format and include a question and answer period to provide participants with an opportunity to discuss clinical problems.

No. 6C
CASE DISCUSSION

Milton L. Wainberg, M.D., Associate Clinical Professor, Department of Psychiatry, Columbia University, 404 Riverside Drive, #5-B, New York, NY 10025-1861

SUMMARY:
As with any process that imposes high levels of stress on the body over a long period of time, the spectrum of consequences of HIV infection frequently includes psychiatric manifestations. Recognizing and treating these conditions is only the beginning. The patient and doctor also must consider the potential for drug interactions between psychiatric medications and drugs used to manage HIV disease, and must adjust dosages as needed.

The Case Discussion presentation will provide an opportunity for mental health providers to become active participants in the symposium. This session will take participants through a case from the initial presentation of symptoms, to differential diagnosis, diagnosis, treatment and follow-up.

REFERENCES:

Symposium 7 Friday, October 6
8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

TRAUMA, VIOLENCE, AND PSYCHOEDUCATION: THE IMPORTANCE OF KNOWING

Therapeutic Education Association

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this symposium, the participant should be able to describe psychoeducation approaches to decreasing violence among consumers and family members and for decreasing symptoms of PTSD; and cite information about the effects of violence on police officers, who are the first responders in crisis situations.
SUMMARY:

This symposium will focus on how psychoeducation can help people cope more effectively with trauma and violence. “Technology for Teaching Normal Social Interaction for Displacing Aggression in the Seriously Mentally Ill” will present data from 30 years of work with aggressive patients. Evidence-based techniques with brief vignettes, will make the presentation graphic and credible to clinicians.

“Consumer Psychoeducation about Trauma and PTSD to Promote Hope and Healing” will offer an overview of ways to provide information and concrete examples of ways to promote consumer, family, and provider recognition of a recovery from trauma resulting in PTSD and complex PTSD.

“Family Education Based on Dialectical Behavior Therapy for Complex PTSD” will describe a family workshop approach to treating complex PTSD and Borderline Personality Disorder, using DBT to improve family members’ knowledge, attitudes and skills in promoting a recovery environment.

When aggression spins out of control, police officers are often those called upon first. “Psychiatric Effects of Trauma and Violence on Police Officers” will provide a description of the St. Louis Police Department’s program to train officers to deal with crisis incidents and the emotional effects such critical training evokes in respondents.

No. 7A

TECHNOLOGY OF TEACHING NORMAL SOCIAL COMPETENCE TO THE AGGRESSIVE MENTALLY ILL

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SUMMARY:

While there appears to be genetic, neurodevelopmental and neurotransmitter anomalies that predispose mentally ill individuals to aggressive behavior toward self and others, angry, abusive, violent and destructive behavior are under the control of their immediate antecedents and consequences. A wide variety of events can elicit aggression in psychiatric patients, which is then inadvertently reinforced by the attention, anger, struggling, fighting, catharsis and interventions. The most common reinforcing consequence to aggressive behavior are verbal, debriefing encounters with well-meaning clinicians who attempt to defuse and deter future aggression by “talking it through” or “understanding the causes,”: both proximal and historical. Thus, it can be construed that aggressive behavior is learned through one’s experiences in life and strengthened or maintained by reinforcing consequences in therapeutic and natural, social environments.

Since aggression is largely a learned behavior, it is possible to use educational programs to teach patients normative social behavior that can supplant maladaptive, disturbing and fearsome violence that is intolerable in the community. There is a spectrum of evidence-based interventions that can serve as corrective, emotional, “re-learning” experiences. These include positive programming, social skills training, the teaching interaction, differential reinforcement of non-aggressive behavior, over-correction, required relaxation and time-out from reinforcement. Collectively, these treatments comprise a technology for teaching appropriate social behavior. Research data and case examples will illustrate the control of violent behavior by means of the technology of teaching.

No. 7B

CONSUMER PSYCHOEDUCATION ABOUT TRAUMA AND PTSD TO PROMOTE HOPE AND HEALING

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SUMMARY:

As behavioral health systems are being transformed to use recovery models in treating mental illness, principles of recovery such as hope, personal responsibility, education and self-advocacy are being disseminated through a variety of programs such as the Wellness Recovery Action Plan by Mary Ellen Copeland. However, for people in recovery from trauma, including the traumas associated with having a long-term mental illness and dealing with inadequate treatment systems, more specialized information for understanding and coping with PTSD and complex PTSD are critical in becoming educated self-advocates. This presentation will provide an overview of user-friendly ways to package and disseminate critical information, based on evidence-based models for understanding trauma and treating PTSD and complex PTSD. It will include concrete examples for how to translate this complex and emotionally-charged material to consumers, family members and providers to promote recognition of and recovery from trauma, PTSD and complex PTSD.

No. 7C

FAMILY EDUCATION BASED ON DIASCITICAL BEHAVIOR THERAPY FOR COMPLEX PTSD

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SYMPOSIUM:

Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) has emerged as an evidence-based practice for treating Borderline Personality Disorder (BPD), which often co-occurs with PTSD and has been conceptualized by some experts as a complex form of PTSD. Stage 1 DBT involves psychoeducational skills groups for helping people self-regulate in preparation for stage 2, which is exposure therapy to treat PTSD if it is present. However, family psychoeducation was not initially a part of DBT. This presentation will showcase an 8-week educational workshop just for family members of people with BPD/complex PTSD that can be an adjunct to DBT. This family workshop approach can also help the many family members whose relatives avoid treatment or do not have access to DBT. The goal is to improve family members’ knowledge, attitudes and skills in promoting a recovery environment, rather than leaving them vulnerable to inadvertently exacerbating the disorder and developing their own PTSD symptoms. This intervention is delivered by a DBT clinician and a trained family “peer consultant” who has “been there” and can help participants learn and trust the material. Although there is no controlled research, pre-post measures indicate promising results.

REFERENCES:

No. 7D
THE PSYCHIATRIC EFFECTS OF TRAUMA AND VIOLENCE ON POLICE OFFICERS

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SUMMARY:

This presentation will provide insight into the experiences of St. Louis, Missouri, police officers in their role as first responders in crisis situations. Information about the training officers receive to help de-escalate crisis situations will be presented, along with a description of the training provided to help officers develop positive mechanisms for conflicts/traumatic events will be provided and the physical and emotional impact such events have on the responding officers and their family members will be described. Other factors affecting the mental health of police officers will be discussed, as well as the procedures in place to provide support for officers following traumatic experiences. The collaborative relationship between the St. Louis Police Department and local mental health professionals will be discussed, along with ways to improve communication between the two systems.

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this symposium, the participant should be able to understand and describe the five parts of the DSM-IV-TR outline for cultural formulation; apply the DSM-IV-TR Cultural Formulation to the assessment and treatment of two or three of the following four groups: African American, Asian, Hispanic, and American Indian patients; and understand how ethnicity affects psychopharmacology and psychotherapy.

SUMMARY:

The increasing cultural diversity of the United States, as shown by U.S. Census data, requires that clinicians understand how cultural differences affect diagnosis and treatment. Between 1980 and 2000, the number of Asian Americans increased by 230%, American Indians by 139%, Hispanic Americans by 142%, and African Americans by 32%. In contrast, the Caucasian population increased by 11%. In 2001, the Surgeon General of the United States released a supplement to his report on Mental Health entitled “Culture, Race, and Ethnicity,” which stated that “culture counts” in the diag-
agnosis and treatment of the above four ethnic groups. Finally, in 2003, the Institute of Medicine published their report, *Unequal Treatment: Confronting Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Health Care*, which is a groundbreaking study of the deleterious effect of race and ethnicity on decisions made in medical treatment.

Culturally diverse individuals have special needs and clinicians require special skills and knowledge to treat them both appropriately and effectively. The symposium will present clinicians with a framework for the assessment of culturally diverse patients, as well as guidelines for psychopharmacology with these populations. Participants will be presented with four cases that will highlight salient issues in the assessment and treatment of African, Asian, Hispanic, or American Indian patients.

**No. 8A**
THE *DSM-IV-TR* CULTURAL FORMULATION: AN ASIAN AMERICAN MAN WITH PSYCHOSIS

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**SUMMARY:**
The case of Mr. A is presented, a Chinese American man with psychosis, to illustrate the use of the *DSM-IV-TR* Outline for Cultural Formulation (OCF). His case is first presented in the traditional Western psychiatric formulation. The OCF is then applied to the case, revealing details previously unexplored. Key concepts that will be described are the cultural identity of the individual, the individual’s cultural health beliefs, the individual’s socio-cultural environment and level of functioning, the cultural elements of the relationship between the individual and clinician, and the overall cultural formulation for diagnosis and treatment. Other key concepts include cultural norms, the proper use of an interpreter and a cultural consultant, and the influence of the clinician’s racial identity on transference and countertransference.

**No. 8B**
ETHNOPSYCHOPHARMACOLOGY: AN UPDATE

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**SUMMARY:**
Understanding basic psychopharmacology principles and the impact of race, sex, and culture on metabolism, response, adverse events, medication interactions and medication compliance, ethnopsychopharmacology examines biological and non-biological differences across race, ethnicity, sex and culture and is critical for safe prescribing practices. A growing body of published evidence is documenting important inter- and intra-group differences in how patients from diverse racial and ethnic backgrounds experience health and illness, and is affected by pharmacologic treatment. Recommendations will be provided to improve compliance, reduce adverse events and medication interactions, and to improve clinical outcomes. An expanded understanding of the interactions between psychopharmacological treatment and gender, ethnic and cultural diversity informs conceptualizations of psychopharmacological treatments of various populations. This presentation will review principles of ethnopsychopharmacology and highlight issues influenced by race, gender, and culture in the pharmacologic treatment of various psychiatric disorders.

**No. 8C**
EFFECTIVE INTERVENTION FOR AMERICAN INDIANS AND ALASKA NATIVES

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**SUMMARY:**
According to the U.S. Census 2000, there are 2,475,956 American Indians and Alaska Natives (AI/ANs) living in the United States, less than 1% of the total U.S. population. Further, only 21% living on reservations, while the other 79% live in rural and urban areas not set aside as part of treaty negotiations. Like other ethnic minorities, AI/AN persons and families have experienced historical and institutional discrimination resulting in hundreds of years of cultural oppression and intergenerational trauma (Duran & Duran, 1995). Indian Health Service (1999) data report that the suicide rate for AI/ANs is 19.3 per 100,000 compared to 11.2 for non-Indians. Other alarming rates where great disparities are seen are the alcohol death rate, diabetes death rate, and poverty level. This paper will describe major behavioral health needs and resiliencies experienced by AI/ANs and will summarize strategies viewed to be effective in diagnosis and treatment.
No. 8D  
THE CULTURAL FORMULATION MODEL: A HISPANIC CASE ILLUSTRATION

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SUMMARY:
The growing cultural pluralism of U.S. society requires clinicians to examine the impact of cultural factors on psychiatric illness, including on symptom presentation and help-seeking behavior. In order to render an accurate diagnosis across cultural boundaries and formulate treatment plans acceptable to the patient, clinicians need a systematic method for eliciting and evaluating cultural information in the clinical encounter. This talk illustrates one such method, the Cultural Formulation model, by describing a case scenario of a Puerto Rican woman suffering from *ataque de nervios* (attack of nerves). *Ataque* is a cultural syndrome characterized by intense emotional paroxysms that is prominent among Caribbean Latinos and is included in the *DSM-IV-TR* Glossary of Culture-Bound Syndromes. Empirical data on *ataque de nervios* will be presented, including on phenomenology, epidemiology, and relationship to psychiatric disorders, such as panic, MDD, PTSD, and the dissociative disorders. Using case material, each of the components of the Cultural Formulation model will be illustrated, and the substantial effect on illness course and treatment outcome of implementing the model in clinical practice will be discussed.

No. 8E  
MULTIPLE LOSSES: AN AFRICAN AMERICAN CASE STUDY

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SUMMARY:
Mr. X, a 40 year old African American male presented in the psychiatric emergency service with suicidal ideation and a plan to shoot himself with a gun. The main trigger was that the next day would be the anniversary of his wedding to his wife who had recently been killed together with his two children by a drunken driver.

The hospitalization course was marked by profound depression with strong suicidality. He exhibited signs and symptoms of post-traumatic stress disorder. He had significant support from the Black staff. He was able to participate in the cultural events celebrated by the Unit such as Juneteenth. Spirituality was an important component of the treatment offered by the Black Focus Unit at San Francisco General Hospital.

The application of the *DSM-IV* Outline for Cultural Formulation helped us to understand the various facets of this man’s cultural identity, which impacted on management. His treatment in the Black Focus Unit had a positive outcome.

REFERENCE:
HIV CARE FOR THE MENTAL HEALTH CLINICIAN: PART II

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this symposium, the participant should be able to understand the prevalence of HIV infection and other clinical issues relevant to patients with HIV and mental health; identify emerging issues regarding risk patterns and challenges to prevention and risk reduction concerning patients with mental illness; and demonstrate practical counseling exercises to encourage persons living with HIV/AIDS to reduce participation in high-risk behaviors.

SUMMARY:
People with depression and other mental illness comprise a growing proportion of individuals living with HIV in the United States at the same time, the prevalence of HIV among mentally ill individuals is at least seven times higher than in the general population. Such individuals, who report high rates of sex and/or drug risk behaviors, include HIV infected drug users, patients presenting at HIV primary care clinics for medical treatment, and HIV infected men who have sex with men (MSM). Apparently, knowledge of HIV and its transmission is insufficient to deter these individuals from engaging in HIV risk behaviors, suggesting that certain personality characteristics may increase the likelihood of engaging in high-risk behavior.

Attendees will be introduced to effective prevention and treatment programs for HIV infected persons that consider specific personality factors for reducing the practice of high-risk sexual behaviors. Question and answer periods staggered throughout the program will provide the audience with an opportunity to discuss individual clinical cases and explore questions and concerns.

HIV INFECTION AND PEOPLE WITH SEVERE MENTAL ILLNESS

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SUMMARY:
Living with HIV/AIDS is even more difficult when coupled with the challenge of living with mental illness. Studies of various segments of the mental illness population have found HIV prevalence rates ranging from 4% to 18%, compared to an estimated prevalence of 1% in the general population. Factors associated with increased susceptibility to HIV infection among this population include higher rates of drug and alcohol use associated with high-risk behavior, a lack of safer sex education designed for people with mental illnesses, and the increased vulnerability of people with mental illnesses to sexual assault and abuse, including institutional settings. In spite of this, mentally ill people are often not screened for HIV, nor are they targeted for prevention education. This session will provide participants with an overview of the prevalence of HIV among people with severe mental illness, barriers to care, and special medical concerns in this population.

HIV RISK BEHAVIORS IN PEOPLE WITH MENTAL ILLNESS

Meg Kaplan, Ph.D., Director, Sexual Behavior Clinic, Columbia University, 513 West 166th Street, Third Floor, New York, NY 10023

SUMMARY:
Psychiatrists and other mental health professionals must play an active role in educating their patients about HIV risk behaviors and strategies for adopting and maintaining behaviors that prevent or reduce risk. This session will help clinicians increase their own comfort level in discussing sensitive issues specific to high-risk behaviors regarding HIV acquisition and transmission.

RISK REDUCTION STRATEGIES FOR PEOPLE WITH MENTAL ILLNESS

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SUMMARY:
Psychiatrists and other mental health professionals play a key role in educating their patients about effective ways to protect themselves from infection. This session will help clinicians increase their comfort level in providing information about harm reduction strategies and safer sex practices, and also equip patients with the necessary skills to implement risk reduction strategies in the “real world.”
REFERENCES:

Symposium 10
Friday, October 6
2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

INNOVATIONS IN LEVEL OF CARE ASSESSMENT FOR PSYCHIATRIC AND SUBSTANCE DISORDERS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this symposium, the participant should be able to describe the concept of independent de-linked dimensions of service intensity, and identify four such dimensions; discuss the concept of multidimensional service intensity assessment, and identify six assessment dimensions commonly utilized for addiction and/or psychiatric patients; and evaluate the current utility and validity of the ASAM PPC 2R and LOCUS 2.0 in application to real clinical situations for individuals with co-occurring disorders.

SUMMARY:

Despite the fact that there has been extensive controversy regarding managed care, there has been surprisingly little available objective data on the clinical process of utilization management and level of care determination. Fortunately, in recent years, this has begun to change, as there has been increasing development and investigation of more sophisticated instruments for assessment of level of care or service intensity requirements for individuals with mental health and/or substance disorders.

This symposium attempts to bring together in a single forum a presentation of the most up to date level of care assessment tools available in the public domain. The symposium begins with a presentation of general principles of utilization management, including the description of independent dimensions of service intensity and the concept of multidimensional service intensity assessment.

The symposium continues with presentations by the major developers of the most well-known service intensity assessment tools for individuals with mental health and substance disorders: The ASAM Patient Placement Criteria, Second Edition Revised (2001), and the American Association of Community Psychiatrists Level of Care Utilization System (LOCUS 2.0) (2001). Each instrument will be described by its major author, along with information on validity and reliability studies, and instructions on use.

The final section of the symposium will emphasize audience participation in the level of care assessment process. A sample case illustrating a complex patient with co-occurring disorders in crisis will be distributed, along with copies of the tools, and the audience will participate in using each tool to evaluate level of care. The strengths and limitations of each instrument will then be discussed.

In total, the symposium will present the participant with an accurate portrayal of the current field of level of care assessment, and the directions for future research. This material will be valuable for anyone—clinician or manager—involved in the development of managed care evaluation systems, or in the delivery of clinical services that require such utilization management or assessment.
management intensity, which lead in turn to the reconceptualization of “levels of care” as “matrices of service intensity”. In this model, the independent dimensions are “de-linked” so that program models can vary flexibly across dimensional categories.

The second key concept is that of multidimensional service intensity assessment. Level of care instruments are based on identifying these dimensions, and connecting ratings on each dimension, separately and together, to the identification of patient service intensity requirements. Later talks in this symposium will illustrate how this is currently being done for individuals with substance and/or psychiatric disorders (ASAM PPC 2R, LOCUS 2.0).

The goal of the presentation will be to provide a general framework for attendees to consider utilization management as a CLINICAL decision making process, and to be able to objectively evaluate current methodology for objective service intensity assessment and decision making.

No. 10B
UNDERSTANDING AND USING THE PATIENT PLACEMENT CRITERIA OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF ADDICTION MEDICINE

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SUMMARY:
Clinicians involved in planning and managing care often lack a common language and systematic assessment and treatment approach that allows for effective, individualized treatment plans and level of care placement. The Patient Placement Criteria for the Treatment of Substance-Related Disorders of the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) first published in 1991, provided common language to help the field develop a broader continuum of care. The Revised Second Edition (ASAM PPC-2R) published in April 2001, added criteria for co-occurring mental and substance-related disorders, which made the ASAM PPC-2R even more applicable to behavioral health systems.

No. 10C
THE LEVEL OF CARE UTILIZATION SYSTEM: A SIMPLE METHOD FOR LEVEL OF CARE DECISIONS

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SUMMARY:
The Level of Care Utilization System for Psychiatric and Addiction Services (LOCUS) was developed by the American Association of Community Psychiatrists in 1995, and updated to the current version (LOCUS 2.0) in 2001. The instrument attempts to assist in making level of care determinations for individuals with mental health and/or substance use disorders to balance clinical quality with the need for efficient management of utilization of care. It is designed to be easily understood and used by clinicians. A number of principles were identified to guide the development of LOCUS: 1) Integration of mental health and addiction variables; 2) dimensional and quantifiable assessment parameters; 3) levels of care defined flexibly in terms of resource intensity rather than rigidly defined program requirements; and 4) adaptable to the variety of circumstances encountered in behavioral health environments. LOCUS has been field tested over the past several years, and has been updated to accommodate suggestions from that process. Preliminary testing has demonstrated reliability, and consistency with expert determinations for placement decisions. This workshop will provide an overview of how to use the LOCUS, discuss practical applications, and illustrate utility in relation to a specific case example.

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Symposium 11 Friday, October 6 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

WHERE TRAUMA OFTEN LEADS: ADJUSTMENT DISORDERS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this symposium, the participant should be able to explicate the importance and treatment of Adjustment Disorders.

SUMMARY:

Traumas can result in Adjustment Disorders, and in many settings, this is the most common after-trauma diagnostic grouping. The importance and seriousness of Adjustment Disorders is highlighted by studies of suicides that find a significant percentage had an Adjustment Disorder. Additionally, it is common that an Adjustment Disorder leads to another psychiatric disorder and further educational, social, and occupational dysfunctions.

While DSM-III and DSM-III-R, defined Adjustment Disorder as self-limited, the DSM-IV recognition of the Chronic Type opens Adjustment Disorders to the vast number of people living with chronic intra-family trauma. Moreover, people living in highly stressful communities may suffer the Chronic Type of Adjustment Disorders. Thus, Adjustment Disorders reflect the presence of social and community traumas.

Despite the important of Adjustment Disorders as to occurrence, the number who suicide, its potential to lead to another disorder, and its important reflection of family and community pathology, there is lack of promulgations as to its treatment. In this symposium, the importance and treatment of Adjustment Disorders is reviewed.

No. 11B

ADJUSTMENT DISORDERS WITH DEPRESSION

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SUMMARY:

Adjustment Disorders have as a core feature a close temporal relationship to a stressful event or multiple events. According to the DSM-IV-TR, criteria for diagnosis with an Adjustment Disorder consists of symptoms that must appear within three months of a stressor’s onset. The stressor is generally a short-term, maladaptive reaction to psychosocial stressors, and is expected to have remission after the stressor ceases or when a new level of adaptation is achieved. There is some overlap with other disorders, such as Depressive Disorder NOS, Bipolar Disorder NOS, and Anxiety Disorder NOS, although Adjustment Disorders have a clear stressor as a precipitating event. According to the DSM-IV-TR the prevalence of this disorder in the general population is estimated to be from 2–8%, with as many as 50% of those with specific medical problems or stressors having been diagnosed with adjustment disorders. There is sparse literature on treatment guidelines for these patients, with the limited data pointing to greatest benefit from various forms of psychotherapy. Considering Adjustment Disorder is one of the most common disorders in the primary care setting and that there is a link between Adjustment Disorder and suicidal behavior, it is imperative to develop scientifically sound algorithms for diagnosis and further explore treatment options and ways of managing stress.
psychiatric disorders such as adjustment disorder with depressed mood.

No. 11C
ADJUSTMENT DISORDERS WITH ANXIETY

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SUMMARY:
Adjustment Disorder with anxiety manifests itself in nervousness, worry, agitation, insomnia, undue perfectionism, panic attacks, or unwarranted preoccupation with somatic signs after trauma, such as an automobile accident, diagnosis of cancer, or divorce. It is very important that this disorder, quite common in primary care settings, be effectively addressed to prevent progression into substance-related disorders, other anxiety disorders, disabilities, or even suicide. Successful treatment often includes crisis management tied to case management, group therapy of patients in similar circumstances [e.g., breast cancer patients], cognitive behavior, or supportive psychotherapy focused on realistic reassurance, coping skills and exploring environmental changes that can remove or reduce the trauma. Medications, usually SSRIs or lesser-addicting benzodiazepines, are used minimally and briefly.

No. 11D
ADJUSTMENT DISORDERS WITH DISTURBANCE OF CONDUCT

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SUMMARY:
Adjustment Disorder with Disordered Conduct [ADDC] is often overlooked in clinical practice. It is not adequately stressed in the literature due to the short-term and subthreshold nature. The severity of the traumas does not foresee the severity of the ensuing conduct disorder; emphasizing the precipitating role of ordinary life stressors indicating the constitutional vulnerability of the affected population. The latter makes children and particularly adolescents prone to ADDC. In this age group the common stressors include academic problems, family conflict, or sexuality issues. Of importance is the tendency toward conduct subtype among adolescents marked by externalization of the maladjustment to the trauma. Similarly ADDC can complicate the course of medical illnesses and is often an additional diagnosis to other major Axis I or Axis II disorders. Unremitting environmental stressors precipitate the chronic subtype. In addition, transformation to more typical mental illnesses, the potential for suicide, and the potential for violence indicate the need to raise awareness toward ADDC in mental, forensic and primary care setting. ADDC requires minimal pharmacotherapy. Psychotherapy helps adapting to the stressor and serves as a preventive intervention when the stressor is remitting.

REFERENCES:

Symposium 12
Saturday, October 7
8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

PREVENTION OF AGGRESSION IN CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS
American Orthopsychiatric Association

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this symposium, the participant should be able to apply severity indicators to distinguish typical and atypical aggression; conceptualize and use systemic preventive interventions targeted at aggression;
and use social cognitive intervention to reduce aggression.

SUMMARY:
Developmental epidemiology has consistently demonstrated that early detection and intervention in problems of aggression and conduct in young children are among the most effective ways to prevent serious difficulties arising in adolescence and adulthood. This symposium addresses issues of violence as a symptom of serious mental health problems at three stages in the life span: early childhood, middle childhood and young adulthood. This symposium describes relevant empirical research and theory that support preventive approaches to violence in children, adolescents, and young adults. The presentations underscore the role of development and context in understanding the nature, origin and prevention of aggression and victimization. Presentation one describes a preventive system of mental health service delivery in pre-school programs that includes universal screening and multi-level intervention. Presentation two describes the state-of-the-art with respect to programs designed to promote social competence and prevent aggressive behavior in third-grade children. Details are provided for a skills-training program that has been derived from research on social information processing (SIP) and emotion regulation and has been effective in reducing aggression in third-grade students. Using an investigation of young adult sexual assault survivors and person-centered analytic techniques, presentation three describes research that identifies contextual patterns and interpersonal factors that shape vulnerability to sexual violence. It highlights implications for tailored, multidimensional prevention interventions.

No. 12A
PREVENTING AGGRESSION IN PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN

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SUMMARY:
Aggression is ubiquitous in early childhood settings, but its presence is not always prodromal to psychopathology. This symposium describes a system of mental health services for pre-school children. The system begins with a program-wide screening that gathers information from parents and pre-school teachers to help distinguish typical from atypical aggression (ABLE, Barbarin, 2004). Following the screening is a set of interventions that integrate services at individual, classroom and program levels. The presentation begins with the conceptual underpinnings of the mental health service system. It then discusses the critical decision points in the implementation of the system. The screening of aggression uses seven key severity indicators and this information helps to determine the level of services to be provided to children considered at risk for conduct or other disorders. Interventions at the program level include in-service training, system wide adoption of an approach for dealing with aggression and oppositional behavior. Classroom level consultations focus on risky situations in the classroom related to routines, schedules, and transitions that create an environment in which aggression flourishes. Specific consultation is offered to teachers about how to deal with a specific child and on the establishment of an emotional connection between teacher and child.

No. 12B
SOCIAL INFORMATION PROCESSING SKILLS TRAINING

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SUMMARY:
This paper presents the results of a three-year study of a prevention program intended to promote social competence and prevent aggressive behavior in 548 third-grade children. Based on social information processing (SIP) and emotion regulation theoretical perspectives, a skills-training program was developed and delivered to third-grade students (51% male) in two schools comprised of African American (20%), Latino (41%), non-Latino White (34%), and other (5%) children. Teacher ratings of student behaviors and child assessments of SIP skills were collected in each of the three years during which the study was conducted. Behavioral outcomes measures include: cognitive concentration, social competence, social contact, social aggression, authority acceptance, and overt aggression. SIP-related skill acquisition was assessed using post-test analogue methods. Measures included: encoding, hostile attribution, goal formulation, and response decision-making. No significant differences were observed among groups at pretest. Controlling for covariates and testing for cross-level interactions, children in classrooms receiving the intervention had fewer behavioral problems at post-test when compared to the comparison cohort. In contrast to children in the comparison group, children in the intervention condition demonstrated significantly improved SIP skills. Findings suggest that strengthening children’s skills in regulating emotions and processing social information reduces conduct problems in childhood.
SUMMARY:

Little guidance exists about how to tailor rape prevention programming to be responsive to varying groups of women, though empowerment trainings need to prepare women to recognize and resist sexual assault within a range of experiences and contexts. Using an investigation of 415 college women who completed a survey about a range of sexual assault experiences by known male assailants, this investigation tested for distinct multivariate profiles of contextual factors among sexually assaulted women in order to discern how these factors may differentially combine to influence women’s vulnerability to sexual assault. We applied the person-centered analytic technique of latent profile analysis (LPA) to determine meaningful subgroups of women based on interrelationships among factors that contextualize women’s vulnerability to sexual assault, including prior victimization, alcohol consumption, relationship expectancies of the assailant, and assertive precautionary habits. LPA established four significantly distinct multivariate profiles of substantively different groups of women. Different tests aided in group profile interpretations and showed that the four profile groups significantly differed in their assault responses. The results highlight the utility of multivariate analytic tools for understanding the complex factors that shape vulnerability to violent victimization. Implications for tailored and holistic empowerment-based rape prevention trainings for women will be discussed.

REFERENCES:


Symposium 13 Saturday, October 7 8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF MENTAL HEALTH CLINICAL TRIALS: IMPLICATIONS FOR PSYCHIATRIC TREATMENT AND RESEARCH
Health Services Research Track
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this symposium, the participant should become familiar with four major clinical research trials, sponsored by the National Institute of Mental Health, and understand how these trials will have implications for psychiatric practice and research.

SUMMARY:

This symposium will highlight the major clinical research trials sponsored by the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH), reviewing their scope, methodology, and latest findings, with emphasis on the implications for psychiatric practice and research. These studies include the Clinical Antipsychotic Trials of Interventions Effectiveness (CATIE), the Sequential Treatment Alternatives to Relieve Depression (STAR*D), The Treatment of Adolescents with Depression Study (TADS),
and the Systematic Treatment Enhancement for Bipolar Disorder (STEP-BD).

No. 13A
COMPARATIVE EFFECTIVENESS OF ANTIPSYCHOTIC DRUGS IN PATIENTS WITH CHRONIC SCHIZOPHRENIA: FINDINGS FROM THE CATIE SCHIZOPHRENIA TRIAL

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SUMMARY:

The National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) initiated the Clinical Antipsychotic Trials of Intervention Effectiveness (CATIE) program to evaluate antipsychotic drugs in clinical situations. The CATIE schizophrenia trial compares relative effectiveness among and between first generation antipsychotic drugs (FGAs), introduced in the 1950’s, and second generation antipsychotic drugs (SGAs), used extensively since their introduction in the 1990’s.

Approximately 50 U.S. sites enrolled 1,500 persons with schizophrenia. The primary outcome was all-cause treatment discontinuation. Secondary outcomes included symptoms, side effects, neurocognitive functioning, and cost effectiveness. Phase I, double-blind and randomized, compared treatment with SGAs olanzapine, quetiapine, risperidone, and ziprasidone to perphenazine, a midpotency FGA. If the initially assigned medication was not effective, subjects could choose a Phase II trial: (1) randomization to open-label clozapine or a double-blinded SGA that was available, but not assigned in Phase I; or (2) double-blinded, randomization to ziprasidone or another SGA that was available, but not assigned in Phase I. If the Phase II study drug was discontinued, subjects could enter Phase III, an open-label treatment based on the individual’s experience in Phase I and Phase II. The initial efficacy and safety results of Phases I and Phase II of the trial have been reported (Lieberman et. al. 2005, Stroup et. al. 2006, McEvoy et. al. 2006).

The CATIE study indicates, not unexpectedly, that medications work, but with substantial limitations. In fact, 74% of patients elected to seek something better, rather than stay on their assigned medication. The biggest surprise was that the older medication, perphenazine, was comparably effective to at least three newer SGA medications, and not much worse than the best SGA, olanzapine. However, olanzapine had the most side effect incidence of weight gain and changes in glucose and lipid metabolism. Contrary to expectations, the older medication did not cause substantially more neurological side effects than the newer; we believe, because we administered a lower potency APD at moderate doses.

In Phase II for patients who discontinued their Phase I medication due to lack of symptom control and went into the clozapine pathway, clozapine was substantially better than all the other SGA medications.

In Phase II for patients who discontinued their Phase I medication and went into the ziprasidone pathway, it is important to examine the results separately, per the reason for discontinuance. If the reason was inadequate control of psychotic symptoms, those taking olanzapine or risperidone stayed on their medication significantly longer than those taking quetiapine or ziprasidone. If the reason was side effects, no significant difference among the four Phase II medications was revealed. Thus, the success of symptom control and side effects experienced by the patient on the first medication may help predict which medication may be more successful next.

The CATIE Phase II results show that for patients whose symptoms are not wholly responsive to other antipsychotic medications, clozapine is an effective choice for the next step. Olanzapine and risperidone are more effective than ziprasidone and quetiapine. But olanzapine is associated with substantial weight gain and metabolic problems, while ziprasidone is consistently associated with reduction in weight and improvement in metabolic indicators.

No. 13B
SEQUENCE TREATMENT ALTERNATIVES TO RELIEVE DEPRESSION: WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED?

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SUMMARY:

This presentation will summarize the overall acute treatment results and selected results from the one-year naturalistic follow-up from the Sequenced Treatment Alternatives to Relieve Depression trial (STAR*D) including the overall study design and rationale; Level 1 (citalopram) acute and longer-term outcomes and analogous results from patients who entered Level 2 switch and Level 2 augmentation treatments; Level 3 switch and augmentation, and Level 4 acute and longer-term results. Discussion will focus on the implications of these
findings for both future clinical trials and for clinical practice.

**SUMMARY:**

**Objective:** Both pharmacological treatment and psychotherapeutic interventions have been found to be efficacious for adolescents with Major Depressive Disorder. TADS is a publicly funded randomized clinical trial to directly compare the relative effectiveness of fluoxetine and cognitive-behavioral therapy (CBT), alone or in combination, for the treatment of adolescents suffering from moderate to severe Major Depressive Disorder.

**Methods:** A multisite, randomized, controlled clinical trial with four parallel treatment conditions: medication management with fluoxetine, medication management with placebo, Cognitive-Behavior Therapy (CBT), and a combination of CBT and fluoxetine treatment, each for 12 weeks, was conducted. At the end of the 12 weeks of acute treatment, responders continued in maintenance treatment for an additional six months. Primary outcome measures were the Child Depression Rating Scale-Revised total score (CDRS-R) and the Clinical Global Impression-Improvement score (CGI-I).

**Results:** A total of 439 adolescents (12–17 years of age) with DSM-IV MDD were randomized. On the CDRS-R, the combined treatment was superior to placebo (p<0.001), fluoxetine alone (p<0.02), and CBT alone (P<0.01); fluoxetine was superior to CBT (p<0.01) at the end of the first 12 weeks of treatment. Response rate was greater on combined treatment (71%) or fluoxetine alone (61%) than on CBT (43%) or placebo (35%). **Discussion:** The combination of fluoxetine and CBT showed the highest effectiveness. The results will be discussed in light of the implications for current practice and further research.

**REFERENCES:**


Symposium 14 Saturday, October 7 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

HURRICANE RELIEF: LESSONS LEARNED IN THE FIELD

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this symposium, the participant should have an understanding about the complex issues surrounding disaster relief including the clinical, economic, and logistical factors facing caregivers and disaster planners.

SUMMARY:

The breadth of the destruction and interruption of civic, medical and mental health services in Louisiana and the Gulf Coast after Hurricanes Katrina and Rita was unprecedented in the history of this country. This symposium seeks to tap the wealth of experience of medical caregivers who provided emergency relief aid in the aftermath of the storms (as did all of the speakers). We will present papers on the experiences of a New Orleans psychiatrist who provided on-going care and who is himself experiencing the effects of dislocation. Practical discussion of emergency work will be discussed from various points of view, including primary care in special needs shelters, the role of psychiatry in the emergency response, and working with agencies such as the Red Cross or within the Veterans Administration. Ideas on preparing volunteers for disaster relief work will be presented. Our goal is to synthesize the experience for the audience and to begin the discussion of how to make adequate use of the lessons learned from this natural disaster.

The intended audience is composed of physicians and other medical and psychiatric providers who have an interest in preparing for disaster relief work, either in their own communities or in the wider world.

No. 14A SUPPORT OF PHYSICIANS IN LOUISIANA AFTER THE HURRICANES

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SUMMARY:

Disaster response involves four distinct phases: evacuation, emergency phase (first response), early post-impact phase, and restoration. Disaster plans usually end with the evacuation and emergency phase, but should include restoration of services and allocation of funds to local providers. Over 6,000 physicians were displaced after Hurricane Katrina in Louisiana and Mississippi. There was no coordinated plan to restore hospitals, retain staff, or provide services after first response. By four months later in New Orleans, only 30% of the population had returned; 10% of businesses had reopened, and only 40% of psychiatrists returned. Only one general hospital and one free-standing psychiatry unit reopened within the city boundaries. FEMA and SAMHSA contracts went to large groups like the Red Cross or contractors specializing in such services in Washington, D.C. No open bidding was allowed for local carriers. Loans, not
grants, were available to small businesses, ignoring the high-risk of business failures and defaults when re-opening in a disaster area. By January 2006, FEMA refused paying to rebuild Charity or the University Hospitals. Problems faced by local university and training programs and hospitals in New Orleans without such planning will be emphasized. Solutions involve planning and coordination by a health care administration.

No. 14B
PRIMARY CARE IN A SPECIAL NEEDS SHELTER

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SUMMARY:
The provision of primary care in a post-disaster situation is problematic and presents many challenges for the primary care provider. The provision of such care is complicated by the myriad situational issues that arise in circumstances in which displaced persons are forced to reside in shelters, interact with various medical providers, social services, and State and Federal workers. In such situations, latent psychological conditions and overt psychological diseases exacerbate the ability of the primary care provider to address the medical needs of the evacuees. In such circumstances it is important to have the expertise of psychiatrists accustomed to dealing with these trying circumstances.

This talk will describe the experience of working under conditions where patients with significant medical problems are in a shelter setting. It will cover the importance of considering the psychological aspects of post-disaster displaced persons in managing their medical conditions, the importance of the consultation-liaison between psychiatric and medical providers, and the benefit to patient care when the two (psychiatric and medical) work together to manage the medical and psychiatric manifestations of disease that are exhibited in the post-disaster shelter situation.

No. 14C
A SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION KAT TEAM AT THE RED CROSS SHELTER

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SUMMARY:
The natural catastrophic events of hurricanes Katrina and Rita displaced many individuals of southeastern Louisiana and the surrounding areas of Lake Charles, Louisiana from their loved ones, homes and places of employment. Many evacuees became extended residents in the Red Cross Shelter in Monroe, Louisiana. The Red Cross Shelter became a community of residents coping with the actual stress of the hurricanes and individuals with previous mental health disorders. Mental health providers delivered services to individuals experiencing acute grief and stress responses to the stabilization of those with persistent and chronic mental illness.

This speaker will present the challenges of meeting the mental health needs of the diverse shelter population during the two-week period of 10/4/05–10/17/05. Case studies will be used to describe the presentation of the mental health disorders in the shelter, the adjustment of evacuees with persistent and chronic mental illness to shelter life, the management of behavioral emergencies in the shelter and networking with local mental health agencies. This presenter will also discuss the responses of the volunteers and experiences working with inter-disciplinary mental health professionals from various agencies and geographical regions.

No. 14D
PREPARING VOLUNTEERS FOR A DISASTER RELIEF EXPERIENCE

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SUMMARY:
Relief workers ideally should possess medical and physical fitness, psychological stability and maturity. Flexibility is more important than academic credentials during a disaster. Various aspects of relief worker training will be discussed, including field exercises, mentoring, and team building. Disaster relief workers must have realistic expectations of what they can accomplish in the field, and have a clear definition of purpose and scope of practice. They must also understand and be provided a clear definition of policies, procedures and command structure. Deployment briefing and debriefing will be discussed along with the benefits of having a complement of mental health professionals available in the field. These training criteria will be presented from the point of view of a DMAT-trained medical professional with disaster relief experience, along with examples from the deployment to Louisiana following Hurricanes Rita and Katrina.
No. 14E
THE PSYCHIATRIST AND PEDIATRIC SUB-SPECIALIST IN DISASTER RELIEF

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SUMMARY:

In the aftermath of a disaster situation, the availability of the pediatric expert is especially important. Given the physical disruption of the family unit, the urgent need for re-establishing a safe and comfortable environment in which the child can express their feelings and re-establish a sense of control. First on the list should be an assessment of the child’s physical status including nutritional status, exposure to traumatic events, eating and sleep patterns. Second, is the need to get the child’s interpretation of what has happened to them, what their current behavioral state is, and what their assumption is about the future. This can include open-ended questions, encouraging them to talk, write and draw. Finally, there is a need to normalize the child’s emotional reactions by reminding them of their safety, referring them to the appropriate specialist and by re-integrating them into a daily routine. Cooperating with the psychiatric physicians in a consult-liaison model proved to be an effective method to address the child and adolescent patients’ needs, and to focus care where it was most needed.

REFERENCES:


No. 14F
THE CONSULTATION-LIAISON ROLE OF THE PSYCHIATRIST IN SHELTERS

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SUMMARY:

Direct patient care is only one aspect of psychiatric care that comes to bear in a disaster situation. The consultation-liaison role is particularly important given the systems issues that arise when large numbers of displaced persons with medical and psychiatric disorders are forced into close proximity under conditions of shelter life, and are cared for by large numbers of ever-changing volunteers from different organizations and different parts of the country. Psychiatric training in geriatrics and psychosomatic medicine is particularly valuable.

This talk will describe my experiences as a volunteer psychiatrist in Special Needs Shelters in Louisiana following the hurricanes of 2005. Aligning with the primary care physicians in a consult-liaison model was an effective way to triage patient needs, and to focus the care where it was most needed. This opened the way for psychiatry to aid in the communication between very different groups of volunteers, to provide rapid in-service training for nursing staff who had little experience with the mentally ill; to interpret group dynamics to facilitate volunteer adjustment to trying circumstances; to make recommendations to shelter administrators about safety and morale; and to assess volunteers who had mental illness exacerbations while working in the shelter.

REFERENCES:

SUMMARY:

Individuals with co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders represent a population with poorer outcomes and higher costs in multiple domains, presenting with sufficient frequency in all systems and services that it is recognized that “dual diagnosis is an expectation, not an exception.” As a result, there has been increasing recognition of the need for developing a systemic approach to serving these individuals. Minkoff and Cline have developed an implementation process for a model termed Comprehensive Continuous Integrated System of Care, in which within existing resources in any system, all programs can be designed as “dual diagnosis programs” meeting minimal standards of dual diagnosis capability, but each program has a different job, to provide matched services to its existing cohort of clients, based on a set of consensus best practice principles within an integrated disease and recovery philosophy. In this symposium, they describe the model and the 12 step implementation process and implementation toolkit, based on strategic planning and continuous quality improvement principles.

The remainder of the symposium is dedicated to describing the ongoing quality improvement process for implementation of system wide changes in the capacity to provide integrated services within the New York City Office of Mental Health (OMH). Presentations will review the overarching system wide strategy to utilize quality improvement as a vehicle for implementation of best practices within a complex, scarce resourced system, and then specific strategies by which the OMH has undertaken to address improvement in integrated services for clients with co-occurring disorders through this process.

No. 15A
COMPREHENSIVE CONTINUOUS INTEGRATED SYSTEM OF CARE: DESCRIPTION OF THE FRAMEWORK

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SUMMARY:

Individuals with co-occurring disorders are an expectation, not an exception throughout the service system, associated with poor outcomes and high costs in multiple domains. To provide more welcoming, accessible, integrated, continuous, and comprehensive services in a system of care with scarce resources, the CCISC model organizes a framework for system design in which every program is a dual diagnosis program meeting minimum standards of Dual Diagnosis Capability (DDC) (along with some specialized program elements that are Dual Diagnosis Enhanced) within the context of its existing resources, but each program has a different job, based first on what it is already designed to be doing, and the people with co-occurring disorders already there, but providing matched services based on a set of research derived integrated consensus best practice principles within the context of its existing resources. Similarly, each clinician is a dual diagnosis clinician meeting minimal standards of dual competency regardless of licensure or job description, to provide properly matched services to the clients in his or her caseload.

This presentation summarizes the model, the eight principles, and the twelve step program of CCISC implementation involving a strategically planned CQI process that incorporates a “top-down, bottom-up and back again” interactive design, in which the system, programs, clinical practices, and clinician competencies all progress together building on existing system strengths and resources.

No. 15B
COMPREHENSIVE CONTINUOUS INTEGRATED SYSTEM OF CARE: REAL WORLD APPLICATION AND IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES

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SUMMARY:

Based on the author’s experience with implementation projects in 30 states and three Canadian provinces during the past five years, this presentation will discuss the specific strategies by which the CCISC framework can be adapted to the needs of real world systems with complex structures and limited resources. Topics will include the design of the quality improvement partnership that incorporates the top down, bottom up feedback loop, common traps regarding data collection, funding and training and how to avoid them, methods for implementing programmatic improvement and clinician competency development through the creation of an empowered cadre of practice improvement specialists or “change agents”, and other concrete techniques.

The presentation will also discuss the CCISC toolkit, including system fidelity tool (COFIT), program self-assessment for dual diagnosis capability (COMPASS), and clinician self-assessment of attitudes and skills (CODECAT). There will be an emphasis on the fundamental clinical processes of welcoming engagement, integrated
relationships, universal integrated screening, integrated longitudinal strength-based assessment, and stage specific assessment and treatment planning, as grounding features of clinical practice development. Finally, examples of application of the model will be discussed in a range of state and county systems across the U.S. and Canada.

No. 15C
THE ROLE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN IMPROVING MENTAL HYGIENE SERVICES

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SUMMARY:
Quality IMPACT (Improving Programs and Communities Together) is a multi-year quality improvement initiative developed by the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene’s, Division of Mental Hygiene to promote incremental improvements in the mental hygiene service system. Critical components of Quality IMPACT include:
- Collaboration of government, providers, consumers and families in all facets of planning and implementation;
- Use of a data-driven continuous quality improvement (CQI) process;
- Provider education about CQI methods; and
- Use of local government leverage points to require and support participation.

After introducing the Division of Mental Hygiene’s overall quality initiative, of which QI is a cornerstone, this paper will focus on a major priority of Quality IMPACT: the improvement of services for individuals with co-occurring disorders. The development and implementation of three related co-occurring disorders projects involving over 60 programs over two years will be discussed. The presentation will highlight successes and challenges, and review two years of data. A Quality IMPACT team leader from a key provider team will present the provider’s experience. Finally, the presenters will discuss developing plans in Quality IMPACT.

REFERENCES:
3. Panel on Co-Occurring Psychiatric and Substance Disorders, Center for Mental Health Services Managed Care Initiative (K. Minkoff, Chair). Co-Occurring Psychiatric and Substance Disorders in Managed Care Systems: Standards of Care, Practice Guidelines, Workforce Competencies and Training Curricula, January 1998.
cultural competence in the workforce in order to respond to continued ethnic and racial disparities in access to mental health services and general well being in the community.

No. 16A
CORE COMPETENCIES IN PUBLIC MENTAL HEALTH
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SUMMARY:
Increasing attention is being directed to the competency of those who deliver health care in the United States. In behavioral health, there is growing recognition of the need to define, teach, and assess essential competences. Since attention to this issue in behavioral health is relatively recent, there is much to be gained by learning from the principles, definitions, and conceptual models of competency that have been developed in other fields. This paper will examine some of the forces that drive the current focus on competency with a focus on the mental health workforce. Relevant history, principles, definitions, and models that have evolved through research and application in business and industry are reviewed. The implications of this competency model and its application to community psychiatry training and practice will be discussed.

No. 16B
CAN PATIENTS AND FAMILIES DEFINE CORE COMPETENCIES FOR PSYCHIATRISTS?
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SUMMARY:
Influential reports have highlighted problems in health care and in behavioral health care in particular. Some experts believe that reconstituting the manner in which both pre-professional and the existing behavioral health workforce is trained is critical to correcting the problems. How training occurs, how it is financed, and the development of contemporary core competencies associated with each discipline in behavioral health are important considerations. How core competencies are developed, by whom, and how to determine actual competency are also important. For psychiatry, having patients/consumers and families involved with psychiatrists in the development of core, competencies would seem to be a natural extension of the effort to transform the system into a new model. This paper will consider these issues.

No. 16C
COMMUNITY ENGAGED SCHOLARSHIP IN PSYCHIATRY
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SUMMARY:
The teaching and practice of community psychiatry in academic medical centers has become harder and harder to sustain, threatening the creation of the next generation of psychiatrists dedicated to community service. In particular, under pressure to bill for clinical services or develop extensive research portfolios, community psychiatry faculty are struggling to develop a career path in academic psychiatry that allows them to develop and maintain the relationships and project oriented work needed for engaged community practice. One solution to this dilemma being proposed is the development of a faculty track in “community engaged scholarships”, mirroring similar tracks in research and clinical teaching. A recent effort by the Community and University Partnership for Health (CCPH), funded by the Kellogg Foundation, has elaborated the concept in depth and suggested the mechanisms by which a community engaged scholar would be promoted in an academic department of psychiatry. This presentation will consider these issues.

No. 16D
CULTURAL COMPETENCY COMPATIBILITY WITH CORE COMPETENCIES
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SUMMARY:
Problems in the delivery of mental health care by psychiatrists to patients of different race/ethnicity/cultural than their own have been identified over the last three decades. Disparities in diagnosis, engagement, and treatment outcomes for different racial/ethnic/cultural
groups are well documented. These findings have resulted in the National Institutes of Health developing a five-year, strategic plan to reduce health disparities and the Department of Health and Human Services to recommend the implementation of Cultural and Linguistically Appropriate Service Standards (CLAS). In this symposium, the presenter will review present methods to incorporate cultural competency training in psychiatric residency and their effectiveness. Thereafter, the presenter will facilitate a discussion whose product will be a strategy to develop and test the implementation of cultural competency methods in the training of psychiatrists to serve trauma victims.

No. 16E
CREATING A TRAUMA-INFORMED MENTAL HEALTH WORKFORCE: KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ATTITUDES, AND TRANSDISCIPLINARY COMPETENCIES

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SUMMARY:
The work of the Surgeon General, the Institute of Medicine and the New Freedom Mental Health Commission have identified the need to significantly transform the way mental health services are provided, starting with recovery oriented goals that include illness self-management and building resiliency. Currently, the mental health field has not defined or standardized this "call for transformation" into workforce core competencies that will assure proficiency to work in a transformed system. Research on recovery has identified trauma-informed care as a core system change construct. This paper will describe the prevalence and impact of trauma in the lives of people being served in mental health settings and the principles that underlie the emerging science of trauma informed care. It will include specific descriptions of how trauma-informed knowledge changes organizational policies and clinical practice and offer examples of transdisciplinary trauma-informed, mental health workforce competencies. The model presented is based on work done by the National Child Traumatic Stress Network, the National Association of State Mental Health Program Administrators, SAMHSA's Centers, and on the emerging core competencies found in the mental health literature and the Annapolis Coalition's Web site.

REFERENCES:

Symposium 17 Sunday, October 8 8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
SEX, LIES, AND HEAT: ASSESSMENT AND TREATMENT OF PSYCHOPATHS, PEDOPHILES, AND FIRESETTERS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this symposium, the participant should be able to demonstrate an understanding of three cohorts of dangerous or malevolent individuals (e.g., psychopaths, pedophiles, and firesetters), and gain knowledge about their phenomenology, assessment, and treatment.

SUMMARY:
Throughout the history of organized psychiatry there has been an ongoing debate about the dangerousness of persons with psychiatric disorders. Much of the focus has been on those with psychotic disorders. Receiving less notice throughout the twentieth century has been attention to psychiatric pathology that may best be described as characterized by malefeasance. While the demarcation between responsibility and lack thereof for dangerous acts by patients with psychotic disorders may be difficult, differentiating between malevolence and psychopathology is proving even more challenging in contemporary society. In this symposium, the presenters focus on three cohorts who have proven to be high risks for society-at-large, a challenge for clinicians, and an ever-increasing percentage of the longer stay institu-
tional populations: psychopaths, pedophiles, and firesetters. Each speaker will focus on one group, discussing the phenomenology, assessments and interventions for that group. A discussion of the general problems of such populations will follow.

No. 17A
PSYCHOPATHIC PERSONALITY DISORDER: ASSESSMENT AND RISK FOR VIOLENCE

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SUMMARY:
Psychopathy has become widely accepted as a personality disorder marked by maladaptive patterns of behavior, affect, and cognition that are stable across situations and social interactions. Interpersonally, psychopathic individuals are arrogant and deceitful; affectively, they are shallow and lacking in empathy; behaviorally, they are impulsive and irresponsible. Given the characteristics of this disorder, individuals with psychopathy are frequently in trouble with the law, especially with respect to violent activity.

The “gold standard” for assessing psychopathic personality disorder is the Psychopathy Checklist-Revised (PCL-R), now in its second edition. This clinical assessment tool measures psychopathy both dichotomously (as a diagnosis that is present or absent) and dimensionally (as a constellation of traits that can be scored from 0 to 40). Meta-analytic studies indicate that the association between PCL-R scores and future violence is around .35, just slightly lower than the association between cardiac bypass surgery and a reduction in angina pain (r = .38) and significantly higher than the association between bypass surgery and decreased mortality (r = .08).

The goals of this presentation are threefold. First, it will cover the best practices in the psychological assessment of psychopathy. Second, the presenter will discuss the occurrence and nature of violence among psychopaths, and will end with strategies for treatment and risk management.

No. 17B
PEDOPHILIA: DIAGNOSTIC AND TREATMENT CONSIDERATIONS

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SUMMARY:
Sex offender treatment remains the subject of media attention and controversy. With the adoption of sex offender commitment statutes in many states, there is a pressing need to properly evaluate and provide evidence-based treatments for sex offenders who are amenable to treatment. This is particularly true for those sex offenders who are afflicted with paraphilic disorders, such as pedophilia. This presentation will review the literature on the phenomenology and etiology of sexual offending behavior, in particular as it relates to pedophilia. Strategies used to diagnose pedophilia will be reviewed. Differential diagnostic considerations will also be addressed. In addition, psychological and biological based treatment modalities used to treat this population will be examined. Finally, recommendations based on this presentation will be discussed.

No. 17C
THE BURNING ISSUE OF PATHOLOGICAL FIRESETTING

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SUMMARY:
Fire is a frightening and expensive problem throughout the world. Arson is a leading cause of nonresidential fires, residential fires, and fire fatalities. There is no adequate description of the typical arsonist, for there is not now, nor has there ever been, such a character. Arson is a complex, multidetermined event that has its origins in everything from profit to pathology. Pathological firesetting has been associated with mental disorders (disorders of thought, perception, mood, judgment, impulse control) and medical or neurologic disorders, e.g., epilepsy, AIDS, hypoglycemia. Revenge, the most common motive for firesetting, while not generally considered in the pathological category, may be just that—for why does the revengeful person choose fire? What appears to unite all these forms of firesetting are the social skills deficits of those who set fires. This presentation provides the groundwork for understanding firesetting through a capability model that postulates firesetting, avoids areas of conflict for the socially challenged person, and becomes reinforcing through its successful outcome for persons with low levels of personal accomplishment. The treatment implications of this model are discussed, as are the societal implications.

REFERENCES:


Symposium 18  
Sunday, October 8  
8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

MOBILE CRISIS SERVICES: MODELS, PRACTICES, AND COMMUNITIES

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this symposium, the participant should be able to understand, from historical system’s perspectives, the functional variety among mental health mobile crisis services and the challenges this intervention confronts as a model, including issues of program mission, management, and composition, as well as the role of government-level leadership.

SUMMARY:

Mobile crisis services are a key component of many community mental health systems. Nevertheless, as a model, mobile crisis is variegate and highly localized, with a range of mission, application, programmatic characteristics, staffing configurations, and role. In addition to exploring the meaning of the term “mobile crisis”, this symposium will examine mobile crisis services in detail: who do they serve and what is their mandate; how are they constituted; how are they funded; and how do they fit into the broader service system? In discussing these questions, common threads will be discerned, as well as divergences. To accomplish this, presenters will first provide an overview of mobile crisis through a discussion of the current academic and program-based literature. This will be followed by detailed descriptions of mobile crisis services from two different localities. Finally, still other models, like “mobile home treatment” will be discussed, as well as an attempt to formulate community-level best practices in mobile crisis that, in turn, inform the creation of measurable performance indicators.

No. 18A

MOBILE CRISIS SERVICES: A REVIEW OF THE LITERATURE

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SUMMARY:

This paper will summarize key thematic issues and trends within the literature regarding mobile crisis services, as well as those areas of research that remain underdeveloped. While there is general agreement that weak research designs dominate existing reports evaluating mobile crisis services, this review will attempt to organize the literature around the most robust empirical findings. Here, heavily descriptive work (in the form of case studies), as well as those more analytic designs (which tend to focus on specific utilization patterns and outcomes) will be highlighted. Of particular note, however, is the absence of information on the inner workings of crisis intervention services, the structure of and relationships within units, and how these services are integrated with other mental health programs in practice. As such, a set of directions for future research concerning mobile crisis services will be offered. By emphasizing that—like all mental health services—the efficacy of mobile crisis services needs to be rigorously evaluated at all levels of operation, the added value of qualitative methodologies (e.g., institutional ethnography) will be discussed.

No. 18B

MOBILE CRISIS IN CLEVELAND

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SUMMARY:

This presentation discusses the implementation and impact of a community-based crisis program serving a large, midwestern community. In reorganizing its crisis services, the local mental health authority instituted a centralized approach to the delivery of psychiatric emergency services that included hotline, mobile outreach for both children and adults, and authorization for state hospitalization under the administration of a single.
agency. Prior to the implementation of mobile services, people experiencing crises would go to a hospital-based psychiatric emergency room. The emergency room had authority for approving admission to the state hospital. The change in service delivery was accomplished by shifting funds from the emergency room to the mobile crisis program at no change in cost to the system.

Mobile crisis services are provided by an interdisciplinary team composed of Crisis Intervention Specialists, psychiatrists, and registered nurses. The Crisis Intervention Specialists are licensed mental health professionals who provide diagnostic assessment, prehospital screening, and case management services in addition to their crisis intervention duties. Psychiatric and nursing staff provide medical services and conduct diagnostic assessments. Data showed that community-based mobile crisis services resulted in a lower rate of hospitalization of clients than did hospital-based crisis services.

No. 18C
MOBILE CRISIS IN NEW YORK CITY: THE VISITING NURSE SERVICE EXPERIENCE

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SUMMARY:
In 1986, the Visiting Nurse Service of New York’s Community Mental Health Services (VNS) was awarded three mobile crisis contracts by the New York City Department of Mental Health (DMH) as part of a citywide mobile crisis system started at that time. Teams were to prevent psychiatric hospitalization whenever possible, but also to facilitate ER evaluation as necessary, including involuntary removal by the police. Interestingly, this system did not attempt to rigidly define the nature of the service and was intended to allow individual teams to meet DMH goals as they saw best. The VNS service was designed to be home-visiting, free-standing, and community-based, with the capacity to quickly respond to non-911 type psychiatric crises. We serve three different boroughs and interact with multiple providers in each location. Over the years, we have seen the mobile crisis landscape of New York change, e.g., the shift to more hospital-based teams and DMH’s new focus on standardization of care. We will present a brief review of the history of New York City mobile crisis, describe our teams and differences between them (related in part to exigencies of their different locations), and discuss our plans for meeting the challenges of the future.

No. 18D
DEVELOPING MOBILE CRISIS IN NEW YORK CITY

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SUMMARY:
New York City’s Mobile Crisis network dates back over twenty years. Its 23 mobile crisis teams traditionally have had a dual role of responding to community calls to evaluate, stabilize, and triage people in acute psychiatric distress and to perform mental health disaster response. This presentation will focus on policy-level initiatives by the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to update this network’s mission and function. In so doing, the presenter will describe the network’s historical evolution and the complex nature of its funding and administration, thereby discussing challenges in systems reform. A resultant phased process of system improvement then will be described beginning with the presentation of data from an evaluation study that defined service gaps, proceeding to the discussion of a Best Practices framework, with resultant introduction of qualitative and quantitative indicators to measure the network’s performance in meeting the needs of its community.

REFERENCES:
TRAUMA AND VIOLENCE IN MUSLIM COMMUNITIES

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to recognize the nature and extent of traumatic experiences and violence affecting Muslim communities; and demonstrate culturally-sensitive approaches toward evaluation and treatment of this growing minority group.

SUMMARY:
Muslim mental health experts will address the need for Muslim and non-Muslim mental health providers and policy-makers to understand the diversity of American Muslims' unique psychological and spiritual experiences and their impact on presentation for and acceptance of psychiatric services. In the first part of the workshop, discussions will focus on the mental health impact of natural and man-made disasters on Muslim communities in the U.S. We will address the immigrant and refugee Muslim experience in New York City. We will also describe the psychosocial consequences of 9/11 and its aftermath on this community. In the second half of the workshop, we address the problem of domestic and intimate partner violence. Through audience participation, we will develop and encourage culturally-informed strategies for intervention, such as collaboration with clergy and engagement with the extended family.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Outreach and mental health professionals, clergy, and administrators.

REFERENCES:

TRAUMA AND VIOLENCE IN AN ASSERTIVE COMMUNITY TREATMENT PROGRAM: MANAGING THE EFFECTS OF VICARIOUS TRAUMATIZATION OF MENTAL HEALTH WORKERS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to identify trauma and related disorders and understand efforts of trauma in patients with serious mental illness (SMI); identify and understand how caregivers on an ACT team can be vicariously traumatized through treatment of patients; and identify and develop strategies for helping interdisciplinary teams cope with the psychological effects of treating seriously mentally ill patients with multiple traumas.

SUMMARY:
This workshop considers the impact of patient related trauma and violence on staff in an interdisciplinary, urban Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) team and ways to help the team cope with these issues. Literature indicates that people with severe mental illness (SMI) are frequently victim of violent crime and also occasionally the perpetrators of such crimes. Further, there is literature addressing the vicarious traumatization of health care workers. However there is little specifically addressing the effects of trauma and violence on staff in an ACT program or ways to ameliorate these effects. The Baltimore ACT team treats 150 people with SMI, providing intensive outreach services in the community since 1990. In our patient population 85% are dually diagnosed; more than 50% have histories of homelessness. Instances of trauma and violence have included the following: seven patients deaths from homicide, three deaths from suicide, innumerable instances of assault, victimization and untimely patient death, three assaults on staff and several threats to staff. Strategies for helping the team cope include education, daily team meetings, providing the team with opportunities to support each other, holding memorial services when there is a patient death.

We will briefly consider the literature, describe our experiences with patients and trauma, and our approach to helping staff to cope with these issues. The audience will be invited to share their experiences; together we will explore ways to assist teams dealing with these difficult issues.
TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Psychiatrists, social workers, ACT staff, and other interdisciplinary team staff.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 3 Thursday, October 5 8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.
THE EXPERIENCE OF PSYCHOSIS AS A PRECIPITANT FOR PTSD: RETHINKING SYMPTOMS, DIAGNOSIS, AND TREATMENT

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to identify PTSD symptomatology associated with psychotic illnesses and understand that these symptoms can present after recovery from an acute psychotic episode; recognize and discuss psychotic symptoms most likely to result in the development of PTSD symptoms; and identify and develop strategies for the treatment of PTSD symptoms resulting from the experience of psychotic symptoms.

SUMMARY:
This resident presented workshop will examine the potential of understanding psychosis as trauma. Psychotic patients frequently perceive themselves to be at risk of harm or death, and this perceived threat may be experienced by these patients as traumatic.

As psychiatry residents rotating on acute inpatient services, we noticed that clinicians seemed to have little understanding of the subjective experience of psychosis. Literature indicates that the experience of psychotic symptoms such as paranoia, persecutory delusions, hallucinations and disorganized thoughts, can lead to traumatic reactions. Little is known about the impact of these experiences on patients. A better understanding of the traumatic components of psychosis and its treatment could have significant impact on approaches to helping patients cope with this experience, and perhaps their illness.

Discussion will begin with brief presentations from the fresh perspective of psychiatric trainees on whether psychotic patients are traumatized by their experiences. Additionally, we will consider whether criteria for PTSD should be applied or considered, particularly after first break episodes, and whether the application of a trauma model in the treatment of these patients may be useful in their management.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Psychiatrists, social workers, psychologists, and other interdisciplinary team staff.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 4 Thursday, October 5 8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.
WORKING TOGETHER: COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE AGENCIES

APA Corresponding Committee on Jails and Prisons

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to describe the contact points at which criminal justice and mental health professionals may interact to assist individuals with mental illness in remaining in their communities; and discuss the policy changes that must be considered to reduce the chance that individuals with mental illness will come in contact with the criminal justice system.

SUMMARY:
Over two million individuals are incarcerated in the U.S., and at least 320,000 (16%) of them have mental illnesses. The criminal justice system generally is ill-equipped to address the needs of these individuals, and mental health professionals are often unprepared to work...
with clients with criminal justice histories. In 2002, the Council of State Governments published its Criminal Justice/Mental Health Consensus Project Report to address this alarming problem. This landmark document, developed with the assistance of over 100 advocates and professionals, outlined a series of interventions and policy recommendations designed to assist jurisdictions in keeping individuals with mental illness out of the criminal justice system, and in returning those already in the criminal justice system to their communities.

This workshop will describe this issue and offer possible policy solutions and interventions that build off of those recommended in the report. One jurisdiction’s approach to collaboration between the criminal justice and mental health systems will be presented in detail, and the panel members will highlight the specific roles that mental health providers and advocates may play in implementing these collaborative efforts.

**TARGET AUDIENCE(S):**

All mental health professionals (including administrators) working in community settings or criminal justice settings.

**REFERENCES:**


**Workshop 5 Thursday, October 5 8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.**

**FORMING EFFECTIVE THERAPEUTIC ALLIANCES WITH POLICE OFFICERS**

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**

At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to identify psychological complications of police work and personal and cultural barriers to seeking assistance; discuss common pitfalls to avoid when forming therapeutic alliances with law enforcement personnel; and discuss strategies to form and maintain effective therapeutic alliances with police officers throughout treatment.

**SUMMARY:**

Because of work related stressors and exposure to multiple traumatic incidents, police officers suffer from high rates of post-traumatic stress, alcohol abuse, marital and family problems, and suicide. Due to fears of stigmatization, job-related consequences, and perceptions of personal weakness or failure, officers avoid departmental psychological services. Distrust of the mental health community prevents officers from seeking outside assistance. While treating police personnel has many parallels to traditional therapeutic interactions, there are many differences. For mental health professionals to provide effective therapeutic interventions for law enforcement personnel, they must understand these differences and address them during each phase of treatment.

Since 1996, POPPA (Police Organization Providing Peer Assistance), an independent, confidential, non-departmental assistance agency has been providing confidential assistance to NYPD officers. Based on experiences of POPPA Peer Support Officers and clinicians, an overview of law enforcement mental health issues is presented. Therapeutic interactions with police officers are compared and contrasted with other traditional therapeutic interactions. Common pitfalls to avoid in forming therapeutic relationships with police officers are discussed. Strategies to form and maintain effective therapeutic alliances during each phase of treatment are shared. To illustrate key take home lessons, case vignettes from POPPA’s and the audiences’ experiences are discussed.

**TARGET AUDIENCE(S):**

Psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, addiction counselors, program administrators, EAP personnel, emergency responders.

**REFERENCES:**

United States Air Force Suicide Prevention Program: A Community and Organizational Approach to Prevention

APA Corresponding Committee on Psychiatry and the Workplace and the Academy of Organizational and Occupational Psychiatry

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Educational Objectives:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to recognize and apply both community and organizational concepts to suicide prevention.

Summary:
Suicide is the eleventh leading cause of death in America, claiming roughly 30,000 lives each year. On average, someone takes his or her own life every 17 minutes in the United States. The greatest tragedy of suicide is that it is often preventable. However, both communities and organizations can take action to prevent suicide. The Air Force Suicide Prevention Program (AFSPP) has received international recognition as one of the few community suicide prevention programs to achieve proven results. Air Force suicides are down by one third since the inception of the program in 1996. The 11 initiatives of the AFSPP represent a state-of-the-art-integrated system of policy and programs that incorporates both community and organizational elements. The cornerstone of the AFSPP is the recognition that suicide prevention is a community responsibility. The Air Force cultivates a culture that encourages and supports early help seeking behavior for personnel suffering from distress. The AFSPP trains Air Force personnel to better recognize individuals suffering from suicidal ideation and to immediately refer these individuals for necessary psychiatric care. The majority of this workshop will be devoted to a discussion of community and organizational approaches to suicide prevention.

Target Audience(s):
Psychiatrists and other mental health professionals.

References:
REFERENCES:

Workshop 8  Thursday, October 5 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL GRADUATE TRAINEES AND VIOLENT PATIENTS: CULTURAL AND TRAINING ISSUES
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to recognize the importance of cultural factors affecting foreign-born physicians’ interactions with potentially violent patients; learn ways of enhancing these physicians’ competence in recognizing and treating violent patients by reducing cultural barriers and improving communication.

SUMMARY:
Over 25% of the psychiatric trainees in the United States are foreign-born. In the very beginning of their psychiatric training, they are often in acute inpatient units or in the emergency room, where there is increased potential for violence by patients. For many of them this is a period in which they have not sufficiently acculturated to the United States, especially to the subcultures of indigent patient population. They may have unnecessary fear of patients on the one hand, and on the other hand may lack sensitivity to early harbingers of violence. Some patients are mistrustful of physicians who look different, speak with a different accent, and are not conversant with some of the idioms and popular personalities. Cultural factors may also interfere with effective communication between the physician trainees and the nursing staff. Many physician trainees come from cultures where there is less violence, a rigid social hierarchy and idealized respect for physicians. All these factors can compound to difficulties in dealing with potentially violent patients or family members. This workshop will explore these issues using some case examples. We will discuss ways of enhancing the training and competence of foreign-born physicians in recognizing and dealing with potential for violence including domestic violence, and the importance of providing culturally sensitive training.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Psychiatry residents, their supervisors, nursing staff and other mental health professionals interested in cross-cultural issues.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 9  Thursday, October 5 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
PTSD AND AGING: FACTORS TO CONSIDER IN ASSESSMENT AND TREATMENT
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to recognize factors that might affect the course of PTSD as individual age; appreciate the importance of dealing with issues of guilt in the aging combat veteran; and understand how PTSD impinges upon cognitive functioning and, in turn, how age-related cognitive changes might impinge upon adaptation to trauma.

SUMMARY:
Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), especially combat related PTSD, is often a chronic disorder. It has psychological dimensions, but it is also associated with biologic (brain) changes. Aging, too, has specific psychological dimensions, and it is associated with changes in brain functioning. Hence, one might expect interactions between chronic PTSD and the aging process. This
workshop explores these interactions. It chiefly explores two major areas: the interplay between the Ericksonian tasks of aging and the issues inherent to being in combat; and the interplay between cognitive problems seen in PTSD and those associated with aging. This workshop will highlight the increasing prominence of dealing with guilt as veterans age, in addition to understanding how changes in cognitive capacity can influence adaptive behavior. Assessing and dealing with these issues requires consideration of the biopsychosocial and spiritual dimensions of the patient. The presenters will make reference to their own clinical work, and the established literature. Participants will be asked to participate by reflecting upon their own clinical experiences dealing with aging issues, especially in those with traumatic issues.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Mental health professionals dealing with aging adults and/or those with PTSD.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 10 Thursday, October 5 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

TEACHING ADDICTION TO MEDICAL STUDENTS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be familiar with the current state of addiction education in U.S. medical students; outline core addiction knowledge; and discuss educational models to bridge this knowledge gap.

SUMMARY:
The LCME has identified medical students’ knowledge of substance abuse and addiction as one of the vital fields in medical education that remains deficient. As the expected knowledge base of future physicians continues to grow, educators are challenged to bridge this gap in addiction knowledge without compromising learning in other fields. Given the prevalence of substance abuse not only in psychiatric patients, but in those whom students will encounter on every rotation from pediatrics to surgery, incorporating understanding of drugs, alcohol and their impact on their patients is an essential area of expertise for students.

In this workshop, we will work collaboratively to identify the core knowledge in this area that medical students should possess before graduation. We shall discuss the commonalities and discrepancies between the defined core competences as accessed by psychiatrists and other medical specialties. We will begin by outlining our school’s experiences with changes within the psychiatry curriculum and highlight their impact on not only the student’s addiction knowledge, but also their understanding of general psychiatry. Together with the audience we will strategize on how to broaden medical students’ knowledge and attitudes about treating substance using patients, and share strategies for effectively teaching this subject using clinical, didactic, and case-based learning methods.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Medical educators, although students are also welcome.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 11 Thursday, October 5 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

CHILDREN WITH COMPLEX TRAUMA: ASSESSMENT IN COMMUNITY SETTINGS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to describe complex trauma in children;
describe the impact of chronic, interpersonal violence on children; describe the varying diagnoses that children exposed to chronic trauma often receive; and identify assessment instruments for assessing complex trauma.

SUMMARY:
Children present to mental health clinics, early intervention programs and child welfare prevention programs with disruptive behaviors and dysregulated affect. Far too often, these children have experienced multiple types of trauma and neglect. Their behavior may be the only clue to this significant history. “Complex trauma”; as defined by the National Child Traumatic Stress initiative, describes both the high dose of trauma exposure and the varied consequences in children of different ages. This workshop will introduce participants to the concept of complex trauma. Participants will learn about the impact of trauma exposures on children’s long-term emotional, social, and academic functioning by discussing community case studies. Participants will also discuss how, in their experience, these children are typically diagnosed when they come for treatment. Participants will also learn about the most effective ways to assess for trauma exposure and impact using structured instruments specifically designed for children and adolescents. Finally, participants will discuss the obstacles to effective assessment, such as reluctance on the part of both clients and clinicians to discuss traumatic events. This workshop will be participatory through the use of clinical vignettes and instrument rehearsal.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Community clinicians.

REFERENCES:
EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to describe the development and basic elements of a crisis response team (CRT); cite various methods, lessons-learned, and pitfalls in developing and maintaining CRT’s; apply information to improve the performance of existing CRT’s; and develop a CRT.

SUMMARY:

Mitigating the impact of trauma and violence in our communities requires a multi-systemic, multi-modality, multidisciplinary approach. This workshop focuses on the Crisis Response Team (CRT) as a key component of any broad-based effort. CRT’s are usually comprised of mental health professionals, clergy, and peer counselors. They should be dedicated to providing quality, evidence-based, best practices outreach crisis/disaster mental health services to the community.

Two brief presentations will highlight CRT development and basic elements—including organization, the National Incident Management System, credentialing, training, policies and procedures, documentation, interventions, and teamwork.

The presenters have extensive CRT experience. In 1989, Dr. Kehayan co-founded a school-based community CRT and developed a training program for peer crisis counselors. Dr. Napoli initiated and has led a local Office of Emergency Management CRT since 2000. As chairperson of the New Jersey APA District Branch Disaster Committee, Dr. Napoli has spearheaded the participation of psychiatrists in disaster mental health outreach.

Individuals who are beginning CRT’s and those with extensive CRT experience are welcome. The presentations are designed to provoke questions, stimulate discussion, and promote the exchange of experiences among all participants. Discussion will focus on methods, innovative programs, pitfalls, and lessons-learned in developing and maintaining CRT’s.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):

All Institute attendees.

REFERENCES:

video exam that resulted in their passing the exercise will be elaborated upon. The panel will discuss the implications of the findings of this project for training and practice of psychiatry.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 15 Thursday, October 5 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

A WINDOW IN THE CEILING: THE EXPERIENCES OF AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN LEADERS IN THE AMERICAN PSYCHIATRIC ASSOCIATION

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to learn about the personal experiences of some of APA’s African American women leaders; and understand the APA’s organizational structure and methods of advancement.

SUMMARY:
It has been said that culture is most influenced by subculture activity. The culture of medicine has changed dramatically in the last half-century and a significant change has been the shifting statistics on providers’ gender and ethnicity. African Americans initiated efforts to have the APA address the needs of ethnic sub-groups within the organization. Several women leaders have emerged as a result of these and other efforts. Hear some of them tell their stories and share their experiences.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 16 Thursday, October 5 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

TEACHING THE WORKING ALLIANCE AS A CORE PROCESS ACROSS THE PSYCHOTHERAPIES

APA Committee on Psychotherapy by Psychiatrists

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be familiar with three approaches to teaching the working alliance in psychotherapy, including from a “common factors” perspective, and from Cognitive Behavioral Therapy and psychodynamic perspectives.

SUMMARY:
Recognizing the importance and the difficulty of teaching psychotherapy to residents, the APA Committee on Psychotherapy by Psychiatrists has developed a teaching model that unifies the five psychotherapy competencies into one integrated whole. The stem of the resulting “Y-shaped” structure includes the core processes of all psychotherapies, which form the foundation for three of the previous competencies: Supportive Psychotherapy, Brief Psychotherapy, and Combining Psychopharmacology and Psychotherapy, as well as various “common factors” that are part of all schools of psychotherapy. The Y-model then diverges into Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) and psychodynamic branches that are comprised of core features of CBT or psychodynamic therapy derived from the comparative psychotherapy process research literature. In the Y-model, CBT and psychodynamic therapy are conceptualized as two divergent therapies that build on basic skills, with differentiated approaches to managing therapist activity, the role of the unconscious, the therapeutic relationship, symptoms and affects. This workshop offers a brief overview of the Y-model, and then focuses on its implementation as a teaching tool by illustrating an approach to teaching the working alliance from three perspectives: a common factors approach, and CBT and psychodynamic approaches. A portion of the workshop will be reserved for audience discussion.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Residents, training directors, practicing psychiatrists and other mental health professionals.
REFERENCES:

Workshop 17 Thursday, October 5 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
TRAUMATIC ENCOUNTERS: OUR PATIENTS, OURSELVES
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this session, the participant should be able to recognize the impact of post-traumatic stress on patients, providers, and the community; understand concepts of vicarious traumatization; recognize issues of vulnerability in health care providers; and review resources and treatment recommendations targeted at acute and post-traumatic stress.

SUMMARY:
Traumatic experiences are generally thought of occurring in the aftermath of natural or technological disaster, accident, interpersonal violence or threatening physical or mental illness. Many psychiatrists have had experiences dealing with individuals who have experienced trauma and resultant PTSD from injury, rape and sexual abuse. Fewer of us have dealt with widespread or systematic trauma resulting from global disaster accompanied by loss of infrastructure, severe resource limitation and other problems that create difficulty in delivery of care. Furthermore, global traumatic experience has a greater tendency to impact providers both personally and professionally. This workshop will provide a forum to discuss and share the narratives of this experience.

Presenters will provide summaries of data derived from studies of communities exposed to trauma and health care workers who have returned from deployment to disaster settings or war. They will also describe and discuss their personal experiences of working with victims of terrorism and natural disasters. Discussion will include difficulties encountered, solutions to problems and positive and negative personal changes experienced as a consequence of their involvement in these traumatic events or their work with survivors.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Psychiatrists and other mental health professionals interested in the psychological impact of disasters.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 18 Friday, October 6 8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.
TOUCHED BY SUICIDE: BRIDGING THE PERSPECTIVES OF CLINICIANS AND SURVIVORS
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to recognize the impact of suicide on clinicians; appreciate the facilitating and inhibiting factors when survivors seek treatment for themselves; and understand the need for mutual respect between clinicians and survivors.

SUMMARY:
Understanding suicide remains a perplexing challenge for mental health professionals and for loved ones who are left behind. The authors are committed to the notion that advancing our knowledge is best achieved by professionals and survivors working together. Dr. Myers is a psychiatrist who has been treating suicidal patients and their families for over three decades. Ms. Fine is a survivor (widowed by a physician who killed himself in 1989), writer, and speaker. For the past five years they have collaborated as co-researchers in studying therapists who have lost patients to suicide and families who have lost loved ones to suicide. In this presentation,
they will summarize this work which includes: their observations of similarities and differences of the groups; their efforts in reaching out to both professional and lay audiences (grand rounds, public forums, and writing together); their insights about tensions and disconnections between therapists and survivors, including concerns about litigation; their recommendations about maintaining dialogue and repairing rifts between the groups; and their thoughts about future directions. At least one third of the workshop time will be protected for active interaction with the audience.

**TARGET AUDIENCE(S):**
Mental health professionals (including trainees) and survivors of suicide (including clinician-survivors).

**REFERENCES:**

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**Workshop 19**
Friday, October 6
8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

**HEALING THE HEALER: THE TREATMENT OF THE ADDICTED PROFESSIONAL**

APA Corresponding Committee on Treatment Services for Patients With Addictive Disorders

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to recognize the unique circumstances of addictive disorders among professionals and provide appropriate treatments.

**SUMMARY:**
In this workshop, we will explore the unique challenges that the impaired physician, nurse, or other health care professionals present in addiction treatment. Clinical, ethical, legal, regulatory, and interpersonal considerations often complicate the delivery of optimum health care to our colleagues who suffer from substance use disorders. We will discuss the problem of increased access—and physical exposure—to controlled substances, as well as the vicarious trauma to which professionals are exposed in their daily lives. A nurse in our Nurses Helping Nurses Program at The Addiction Institute of New York recently said: “I know how I dealt with everything I saw. I did drugs.” We will also address the conundrum of balancing the public good (i.e., the safety of our patients) with the basic civil rights of the impaired professional (i.e., her or his right to obtain treatment and resume professional responsibilities when ready).

**TARGET AUDIENCE(S):**
The workshop is open to all professionals who would like to learn more about the assessment, diagnosis, and treatment of the addicted professional, but is particularly targeted towards physicians-in-training and early career psychiatrists.

**REFERENCES:**

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**Workshop 20**
Friday, October 6
8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

**DO NO HARM? DEALING WITH DIABETES AND SECOND GENERATION ANTIPSYCHOTICS**

American Association of Community Psychiatrists

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**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:**
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to develop a greater understanding of the metabolic effects of second generation antipsychotics and discover ways to effectively address the risks involved.

**SUMMARY:**
The relationship between antipsychotic medications and a variety of metabolic effects is becoming clearer. Strategies for effectively communicating the risks of these medications and to manage these potentially dangerous side effects are being elucidated, but are not well known or implemented effectively in the field. We now have the data to craft a rational risk-benefit analysis that
can be used in day-to-day practice. We need to be aware of a number of concepts that are not familiar to all psychiatrists: over and above poor lifestyle choices, our patients may fall victim to a number of specific illnesses; that schizophrenia and bipolar disorder and system illnesses with cerebral manifestations; and clinicians need to be able to tease apart the separate but inter-linked issues of obesity, insulin resistance syndrome, diabetes mellitus, diabetic ketoacidosis, and sometimes catastrophic hypertriglyceridemia. We also need this information to make informed decisions about the differential efficacy of antipsychotic medications on cognitive, negative and mood symptoms and on social adjustment. This workshop will look at what is now known about the metabolic effects of these medications, what the risks appear to be, and what approaches to practice mitigate these risks most effectively so “no harm is done.”

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Practicing psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 21
Friday, October 6
8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.
A PRACTICAL APPROACH TO DISASTER PSYCHIATRY: LESSONS LEARNED FROM 9/11 AND HURRICANE KATRINA
2005–2007 APA/Bristol-Myers Squibb Fellows

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to recognize the risk factors involved in developing psychological problems in populations exposed to disasters.

SUMMARY:
In the last five years the world has been impacted by multiple disasters (9/11, Hurricane Katrina, and Hurricane Rita, the Asian tsunami, the Pakistan earthquake). In this workshop, we will review the development and implementation of mental health services during 9/11 and Hurricane Katrina. We will compare and contrast these events to determine which aspects of disaster mental health services were universal, which were site specific, and why these differences existed. Since the impact of disasters varies dependent on exposure to trauma, premorbid conditions, previous history of trauma, support systems, age, etc., these aspects of developing comprehensive services will also be examined.

Another critical aspect of this workshop is a focus on individual providers. In both of these disasters, individual mental health providers from around the country wanted to offer their services. Unfortunately, many were unable to provide services for several seemingly irrational reasons. At the end of this workshop, we will attempt to share with the participants practical approaches for individual providers to be able to help communities in the event of any future disasters.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Psychiatrists, residents, and mental health professionals.

REFERENCES:
EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to describe the similarities and differences in the meaning of the term “recovery” between Europe, America, and Australia and recognize its impact on the redesign of mental health services.

SUMMARY:
For the past several years, the Institute on Psychiatric Services (IPS) has sustained an ongoing conversation between European, North American, and Australian psychiatrists on topics such as the role of comparative studies and policy translation, culture and practice, and quality and standards of care. The concept of recovery from mental illness now serves on all three continents as one of the primary organizing principles for publicly funded mental health care services. Yet in each locale, what this means for service delivery is still uncertain. In order to develop as broad an approach to the concept of recovery as possible, this workshop will explore what recovery means in Australia, the United States, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom. Participants, including consumer, family members and mental health professionals will engage the presenters in an active dialogue to consider different cultural, political and scientific approaches to recovery, seeking similarities and highlighting differences.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Mental health professionals, psychiatrists, consumers and families.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 23 Friday, October 6 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
GETTING TO YES: INDUCING TREATMENT COMPLIANCE IN ASSERTIVE COMMUNITY TREATMENT PROGRAMS
Paul S. Appelbaum, M.D., Past President, American Psychiatric Association; Professor of Psychiatry, and Director, Division of Psychiatry, Law, and Ethics, Department of Psychiatry, Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons, 1051 Riverside Drive, #122, New York, NY 10032-1007; Stephanie Lemelle, M.D.; Molly T. Finnerty, M.D.; Anthony D. Mancini, Ph.D.

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to understand the results of several studies of techniques used by Assertive Community Treatment teams to encourage patient compliance with treatment; and discuss the ethical implications of these approaches.

SUMMARY:
Assertive community treatment (ACT) has established itself as one of the most important mechanisms for delivering services to a subset of persons with severe and persistent mental illnesses who have difficulty engaging in traditional services, and consequently have high rates of inpatient hospital utilization and other adverse outcomes. ACT’s model of repeated outreach, continuous availability, integrated services, and small caseloads has made it the evidence-based approach of choice for this population. However, some critics have expressed concerns regarding the techniques used by ACT teams to encourage compliance with treatment plans, alleging that the model itself is inherently coercive. As one ACT psychiatrist asked, “Is a clinician who can’t be fired ethical?” This session will draw on the existing literature and newly generated data to characterize the techniques used by ACT teams to encourage compliance and to consider the ethical challenges to the model. Data will be drawn from a survey of staff members from more than 70 ACT teams in New York State, which asked about compliance-inducing approaches, and a series of focus groups with ACT team staff members and clients. The audience will be encouraged to engage with the ethical questions and to reflect on their own experiences.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Community-based clinicians.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 24 Friday, October 6 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
DOING MORE WITH LESS: CHALLENGES AND REWARDS OF A PSYCHIATRIST EXECUTIVE
APA Committee on Psychiatric Administration and Management and the American Association of Psychiatric Administrators
Sy Atezaz Saeed, M.D., M.S., Professor and Chairman, Department of Psychiatry, Brody School of Medicine,
EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant will be fully aware of the career options for psychiatrist executives, the skills required to become an effective clinical leader, and the challenges and rewards that accompany this role.

SUMMARY:
Increasingly, psychiatrists are assuming executive roles as health systems consolidate operations and the complexity of care delivery increases. The psychiatrist executive’s position may be viewed as the hub around which the many spokes of the wheel of the mental health system turn. The psychiatrist executive is responsible for integrating the needs of the patients and the physicians in the community into the vision, mission and goals of the health system. Psychiatrist executives face a variety of challenges. The critical skills of a successful psychiatrist executive include strong leadership, technical expertise, and management know-how. Managing change has become one of the most critical competencies of psychiatrist executives. Asking to do more with less is a common problem that psychiatrist executives face today. With this predicament come a set of challenges and rewards.

This workshop will take an interactive, case consultation approach. The workshop will start with a case presentation, followed by brief case-relevant discussions by the faculty. Faculty, representing a broad range of administrative and leadership roles and experiences will facilitate collaborative discussions involving case conceptualization and formulation; problem identification and analysis; and strategies for selecting effective interventions. Participants will be invited to actively participate by sharing their difficult and challenging cases in administrative psychiatry.

REFERENCES:
EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to describe the assault risk training clinicians receive, and clinicians’ perceptions of its helpfulness for avoiding assault; describe how supported assaulted staff members feel supported by supervisors and peers; discuss ways to improve assault risk training; and provide better support staff when efforts to avoid assault fail.

SUMMARY:
Numerous research studies have shown that individuals working with psychiatric patients are at risk of being assaulted. Usually these studies have focused on the assault risk for nurses working in inpatient or residential settings. Few studies have included the risk of assault for non-medical staff working in these settings or in community mental health centers. Many studies have focused on those patient and staff factors that increase assault risk and staff perception of level of risk. A few studies have attempted to determine the amount of training nurses receive in conflict resolution and assault risk reduction, both before and after beginning employment. However, the perception of support from management and peers experienced by the assaulted staff member following an assault has been largely unexplored. This workshop includes presentation of a recent survey of medical and non-medical clinicians regarding the assault risk training they have received, their perception of its usefulness for avoiding assault, and the degree to which they feel supported by peers and the management of the agency for which they work following an assault. Following the presentation, participants will discuss their experiences regarding the issues raised and the implications these findings have for training and supporting clinical staff.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Private and community psychiatrists, social workers, therapists, nurses, and agency and institution administration.
EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to recognize the value and impact of having access to administrative data to support clinical care and quality improvement; and understand several different ways in which PSYCKES can be used by physicians, clinical supervisors, and quality managers to support clinical decision making and quality improvement.

SUMMARY:
The federal government, states, and large payors have access to a wealth of medical administrative data that represents a largely untapped resource to support clinical decision-making and quality improvement. Such information could be particularly helpful in the management of long-term illnesses like schizophrenia. The New York State Office of Mental Health (NYSOMH) has developed a web-based system for sharing 15 years of state administrative data with clinicians and quality managers called the Psychiatric Clinical Knowledge Enhancement System (PSYCKES). This session will describe the development, implementation, findings, and future directions for PSYCKES, which this year received a national Innovation Award from the Council of State Governments. Data will be drawn from the implementation of the program in the NYSOMH system, with over 700 enrolled PSYCKES users in 20 hospitals, including impact on time and accuracy of physician medication review, and improvement in guideline derived quality of care performance measures. Presentation of future directions will include application of the program to Medicaid data, providing access to consumers and families, and the incorporation of PSYCKES performance indicators into the NYSOMH Balanced Scorecard, which enables real-time monitoring of agency progress on all critical management objectives included in NYSOMH’s strategic plan.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Community-based clinicians and public health administrators.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 29 Friday, October 6 1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

RACISM: LEARNED BEHAVIOR OR PSYCHOPATHOLOGY
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should understand the APA’s role in addressing racial and ethnic harmony and combating prejudice; and recognize symptoms suggestive of a Pathological Bias Disorder.

SUMMARY:
Dr. Stotland will discuss the genesis of the proposed APA Position Statement: ‘Resolution against Racism’. She will help define beliefs and practices of individual versus institutional racism. Attempts towards understanding ‘Micro-aggression;’ acts that stem from unconscious manifestations of racial superiority. Biopsychosocial factors promoting racial prejudice and impacting both victims and perpetrators will be discussed. Scientific evidence, demonstrating impairments of psychological functioning on individuals subjected to racist attitudes and acts will be presented. Dr. Bell will explore features of an individual’s personality dynamics, which may manifest as racist behaviors. Mental illnesses including mood disorders, psychotic spectrum disorders and anxiety disorders, which may include overt and covert racist symptoms will be considered. Axis II pathology, which may predict and be part of the xenophobia associated with a prejudicial and paranoid personality will be discussed. Finally, clinical and scientific considerations towards establishing diagnostic criteria for Pathological Bias Disorder will be proposed.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Psychiatric residents, psychiatrists, and other mental health professionals who work with racially and ethnically diverse populations.

REFERENCES:
NICOTINE DEPENDENCE AND MINORITIES: ADDRESSING PUBLIC HEALTH POLICIES
APA Minority Fellowships Program

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to recognize specific public health strategies aimed towards decreasing tobacco use in minority communities; and demonstrate increased awareness with regards to the role of tobacco taxes, counter-advertising, and other policies which influence rates of nicotine dependence among minorities.

SUMMARY:
Nicotine dependence remains the most preventable cause of death among U.S. minority populations. Although overall smoking rates have steadily declined, smoking rates among different ethnic groups continue to remain high, especially in the African-American and Native American populations. Despite the clear conclusions of recent research concerning health inequalities, there has been some difficulty in framing and adopting the policy consequences of this work. Public health interventions aimed towards reducing smoking rates in minority populations is no exception.

Recent tobacco tax initiatives have resulted in a decrease in smoking rates across the United States. Additional focus on the benefits of tobacco taxes in specific minority communities can further elucidate the benefits of this public health intervention. A recent study conducted in Massachusetts found towns with larger minority populations showed significantly greater support for tobacco tax increases.

Counter-marketing campaigns directed towards combating tobacco company advertising strategies in minority communities, and further endorsement of clean air laws could also decrease tobacco use in minority populations. Finally, accessible and affordable tobacco treatment programs in minority communities are limited and must be addressed. Psychiatrists’ advocacy for these public health measures may assist in lowering overall tobacco use in the minority population.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
General psychiatrists and addiction psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:
This workshop will focus on Andean countries and on their relationship with the U.S., the market with the highest demand of illegal substances. In particular, we will look at Colombia, a country recognized for being one of the major suppliers of drugs for the North American market. Through a documentary and live sessions, we will explore the implications of this problem outside of our offices and hospitals. By presenting a general view of the clinical and epidemiological aspects of substance abuse in Andean countries, South American addiction psychiatrists trained in the U.S. will present the similarities and differences between the approach, treatment, and resources available in Andean countries and what we are accustomed to in North America.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 32  
Friday, October 6  
3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.  

9/11: WHAT HAPPENED TO THE CHILDREN? TRAUMA, LOSS, AND WORKING WITH THE MEDIA  
APA Committee of Residents and Fellows

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to understand the real-life impact of the world trade center attacks on children and also the impact of media on children’s reactions to terrorism.

SUMMARY:
The terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001, had the distinction of affecting more children in the United States than any other single act of violence. There were upwards of 5,000 children in New York who suffered either direct exposure to the destruction or the loss of a parent. Children at the World Trade Center site were traumatized by the disaster unfolding. In addition, many children also watched the disaster on television and were therefore traumatized. This workshop will include showing the HBO film ‘‘Through a Child’s Eyes’’ for 30 minutes with a discussion afterwards about the impact of media on children’s reaction to terrorism. This will be followed by a dialogue about the real-life impact of the World Trade Center attacks on children, featuring clinicians who are on the front line.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Residents and Fellows, but interest in this topic is universal and will appeal to all.

REFERENCES:
SUMMARY:
Medicare Part D deals with access to prescription drug coverage for everyone with Medicare regardless of income, health status, or prescription drug usage. For those eligible for Medicare the enrollment period ended on May 15, 2006 to join a plan offering coverage for 2006. There are multiple plans offering varying choices that are quite confusing for most physicians, let alone, for the millions of Medicare recipients. In spite of information booklets and Web sites, a lot of people are not well informed about the choices available to them. In this workshop, Irvin (Sam) Muszynski will provide an overview of the Medicare Part D program and instill an insight about how psychiatric patients can approach the subject of a suitable program for their needs. Even though the program promises access to prescription drug coverage, to all those eligible for Medicare, the patients who are eligible for Medicaid and Medicare face tremendous challenges. The three speakers Jeff Geller, M.D., from Massachusetts, Bob Cabaj, M.D., from California, and Jackie Feldman, M.D., from Alabama, will present the promises and pitfalls of this program from their patients' point of view in addition to the ‘hidden’ cost shifting to states and counties, and the creation of unfunded mandate.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, and other health care workers.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 34 Friday, October 6 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

WORKABLE HOUSING: DEVELOPING AND MAINTAINING APPROPRIATE RESIDENTIAL SETTINGS FOR THE CHRONICALLY MENTALLY ILL

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participants should be able to recognize what elements are desirable to successfully implement innovative supportive housing options for the chronically mentally ill.

SUMMARY:
As the pressure to discharge the chronic mentally ill from institutions increases and more localities look towards developing the supports these people will need in the community, the need for adequate and appropriate housing becomes ever more paramount. Interest in developing the skills needed to generate such housing and, once in place, to facilitate the success of clients in maintaining these less restrictive settings has greatly increased over the past several years. This workshop will address these issues, and present models of the kinds of supportive setting that have worked, elucidate the kinds of supports that assist clients in maintaining their housing, and look at what are the ingredients necessary for generating, funding and implementing housing opportunities for people who are chronically mentally disabled.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Those involved in evaluating, placing, and maintaining clients in supportive housing.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 35 Saturday, October 7 8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

PSYCHIATRIC CARE AFTER A NATURAL DISASTER: THE ASTRODOME KATRINA CLINIC

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to define the basic needs of evacuees who come to a community shelter following a natural disaster and recognize essential elements of post-disaster psychiatric care to be provided at a community shelter.
SUMMARY:

On August 29, 2005, Hurricane Katrina struck the Louisiana Gulf coast leaving over 1000 people dead and hundreds of thousands of people displaced from their homes. Approximately, 25,000 New Orleans residents were evacuated from the Superdome and were brought to the Astrodome in Houston, where they received shelter as well as medical and psychiatric care. In this interactive workshop, intended for all mental health professionals, we will discuss the design of our clinic and the services we provided in the immediate aftermath of this devastating natural disaster. Specific challenges we encountered including providing care and supervision for geriatric patients, as well as ensuring continuity of care for patients on methadone maintenance will also be discussed. Participant involvement will be encouraged as we explore strategies to address mental health needs following future natural disasters.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
All mental health professionals including psychiatrists, psychologists and social workers.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 36 Saturday, October 7 8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

REduCing barriers to effective collaboration between psychiatrists and community-based case managers

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to recognize the five most common barriers to effective collaboration between a prescribing psychiatrist and a case manager based at a community-based organization; and immediately apply six ways of overcoming these barriers to allow a safer, more beneficial treatment for the chronically mentally ill client.

SUMMARY:

For over 25 years, the APA and many researchers/clinicians have sought to establish guidelines for psychiatrists who work in relationships with other non-medical care providers. The challenges are great for the psychiatrist who functions as one member of a multidisciplinary psychiatric rehabilitation team along side with care providers with different training, expectations, organizational structures, and even clinical languages. Prescribing psychiatrists are being asked to function in increasingly complex organizational systems involving many caretakers of their chronically mentally ill clients. This workshop explores the barriers to effective collaboration between prescribing psychiatrists in clinic settings and case managers in community-based settings and how to overcome these barriers. An easily adopted model curriculum used with psychiatry residents and community-based case managers will be presented. In this curriculum, members of the treatment team talk openly with one another and discuss expectations, then “shadow” one another in their work to understand one another’s clinical world. Results of a survey of change in attitudes of both care providers will be briefly presented showing the advantages of this curriculum. Succinct guidelines for improving collaboration between prescribing psychiatrists and case managers that were derived from our experience will be distributed. Presenters will include: the program director who created the cross-experience curriculum; a psychiatry prescriber; and a case manager from the community who took part in the experience; and a director of the community-based organization. Participants will be encouraged to share their own solutions leading to improved collaboration between hospitals/clinics and community-based organizations.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Psychiatrist working on multidisciplinary teams, other care providers who interact with these psychiatrists, and program leaders.

REFERENCES:
WORKSHOPS

APA PRACTICE GUIDELINE ON OBSESSIVE-COMPULSIVE DISORDER: 2006
APA Steering Committee on Practice Guidelines

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to understand the objectives and development process of the APA practice guidelines project; and know how to use the practice guideline on Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder to help determine how to treat patients with Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder.

SUMMARY:
Since 1991, the APA has published 14 practice guidelines using an evidence-based process that results in recommendations that are both scientifically sound and clinically useful to practicing psychiatrists. Practice Guideline for the Treatment of Patients With Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder is expected to be published in 2006. Workshop panelists will discuss the development process for APA practice guidelines and the specific recommendations of this guideline. Attendees are invited to comment on the recommendations, implications for the field, and dissemination and treatment strategies.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Psychiatrists who treat patients with obsessive-compulsive disorder.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 38
Saturday, October 7
8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

GOSSIP AND BLUES AS THERAPEUTIC TOOLS IN AFRICAN AMERICANS WITH THE BLUES
2005–2007 APA/Bristol-Myers Squibb Fellows
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to appreciate the impact of gospel and blues music as a coping tool in the maintenance of mental health in the African-American community.

SUMMARY:
The purpose of this workshop is to provide a cross-cultural training experience using musical genres, such as gospel and blues music, to favorably impact mental health in African-Americans. Both musical genres will be discussed in terms of their developmental history and inherent characteristics that have made them personal anthems for those seeking cathartic release and hope. Additionally, examples of each genre will be briefly demonstrated to further clarify their role as a unique and effective treatment modality. Pictorial images will also be used as a backdrop to support content and to match music samples. Integrating the latter mediums (i.e., verbal, audio and visual) will create a robust and tangible experience for the audience so as to facilitate their awareness of the power of musically accessing affect, particularly in African-Americans. Although limited, statistical references will be made so as to provide evidence-based information.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
The target audience for this workshop should include all mental health professionals who are interested in increasing their cultural competence for managing African Americans and adding a unique and powerful modality to their armamentarium.

REFERENCES:
EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to understand the complex role that sexuality plays in the lives of lesbians and gay men and describe how it influences mental health.

SUMMARY:
The sexuality of gay and lesbian patients will be discussed with a focus on eating disorders, on patients with major mental illness, LGB sexuality and sexual identity from an adult developmental perspective, and on the connection between sex and crystal methamphetamine use. Dr. Samantha Kellerher will discuss body image distortion in LGBT populations and the cultural influences on the presentation and development of eating disorders. She will present the effects of eating disorders on sexuality, desire, and drive. Dr. Ronald Hellman will discuss sexuality in LGBT patients with major mental illness. He will provide data from research and discuss personal observations. Dr. Bob Kertzner will explore how LGB identity shapes the course of adult experience, including single or partnered-life and sexuality. Based on research and clinical vignettes, he will discuss how LGB adults maintain psychological health over the life span with a focus on mid-life. Dr. Bob Cabaj will focus on the explosive use and abuse of methamphetamine by gay men, and on the debate about the role of sex and drugs in gay men’s lives.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 41  Saturday, October 7 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
STORIES IN LEADERSHIP AND TRANSFORMATION IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR
American Association of Community Psychiatrists
Anita S. Everett, M.D., Member, APA/IPS Scientific Program Committee; and Senior Medical Advisor, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administra-
EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to identify leadership styles and skills, and be inspired to become a more effective leader and transformation agent.

SUMMARY:
The Presidents New Freedom Commission identified a need for transformation of mental health services in the United States in the report released in 2003. Successful transformation is dependent on the active engagement of staff and consumers at all levels. Psychiatrists and mental health professionals often are in leadership positions. This may be by progressive career design, other times this is a more accidental process. Leadership may be associated with a natural interpersonal style, or it may be an acquired set of skills.

This workshop is designed to explore facets of leadership through stories and leadership experiences. Each presenter will choose one leadership story or experience which highlights their leadership style. Participants will gain insight into their potential as a positive change agent. Each of the presenters is a leader and transformation agent in their workplace. Dr Anita Everett is the Senior Medical Advisor for the Federal Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration. Dr. Neal Adams is the Director of Special Projects at the California Institute for Mental Health. Dr Cheryll Bowers-Stephens was the Assistant Secretary of the Department of Mental Health in Louisiana and Dr. Karen Rhea is the Vice President for Clinical Affairs of Centerstone Community Services.

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Workshop 43  Saturday, October 7  10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

WHO IS CRAZY? CONFRONTING AND CHANGING THE STIGMA OF MENTAL ILLNESS
2005–2007 APA/Bristol-Myers Squibb Fellows

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to identify the stigma facing mental health patients, providers, and communities; demonstrate an understanding of selected models of anti-stigma campaigns from the national and international literature; and recognize the impact individuals can have in changing the stigma of mental health in their own communities.

SUMMARY:
Each day mental health providers and patients confront the barriers associated with negative attitudes toward psychiatric illness. The presenters postulate that what truly appears ‘crazy’ are the attitudes of our society toward mental illnesses. This workshop will take an interactive look at the stigma that currently influences our patients, our communities, and the treatment of mental illness, including how mental health providers may also unknowingly be perpetuating current stereotypes and stigma. Various literature, discussing international efforts at anti-stigma campaigns, including those in the United States will be reviewed. There will be an emphasis on how individual providers and consumers can address and combat stigma in their own communities. Following the presentation, attendees are invited to participate in a discussion about their own experiences with strategies at confronting stigmas in their own backyards.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Mental health providers, consumers, and family members.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 44  Saturday, October 7  1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

COLLABORATION BETWEEN PSYCHIATRY AND PRIMARY CARE
National Alliance for the Mentally Ill

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to stimulate awareness of practice that promote access and quality in collaborative psychiatric and primary care service.

SUMMARY:
This workshop targets an audience of psychiatrists practicing in rural and underserved areas where collaboration between psychiatry and primary care is essential. We will discuss a standard of practice that encourages collaboration between psychiatrists and primary care physicians (PCPs) and continuity of care between mental health and the general health systems. Details regarding availability of the psychiatrist, community involvement and liaison with primary care, especially in rural areas, will be discussed. A model of practice a consumer-operated mental health clinic in a semi-rural area of Western Pennsylvania, which has a severe deficiency of practitioners and a large number of consumers, will be compared to the efforts of a general health system in Maine to improve mental health service delivery in the primary care setting.

MaineHealth is an integrated delivery system that has been working on a depression in primary care program for four years, with support from the MacArthur and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundations. Tools are provided to help primary care clinicians recognize and diagnose depression, as well as evidence-based changes in systems of care, consistent with the Chronic Care Model, to achieve better outcomes. Better linkages between primary care and behavioral health specialists is an important and challenging component of this effort.

REFERENCES:
REALIZING THE LIBERATORY GOALS OF PSYCHIATRY

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to understand four social psychological models that are potentially compatible with the liberatory goals of psychiatry; and synthesize a theoretical perspective that is compatible with the liberatory vision of psychiatry.

SUMMARY:
Pinel's unchaining of the Parisian insane has been a metaphor for the dual liberatory underpinnings of psychiatry: it can free persons from social, physical, and psychological oppression, and it can assist persons to be what they can be (i.e., self-realization), and to lead self-directed lives. Thus, psychiatry assists people to be both "free from" and "free to." These goals link psychiatry to medicine and science, but also to sociopolitical elements. Hence, two foundational points guide our work: (1) The project of psychiatry has always been one of liberation; (2) Psychiatry's principal object, the mind (i.e., the psychological sphere), is inherently biological and social. This means that psychiatry has a critical role to play in social struggles that further liberation. Western psychiatry has focused primarily on the biological and individual elements, and has had a much narrower view of liberation. Recently, there have been dramatic transformations in global social structures. Problems related to domination, alienation, commodification class, gender, religion, race, and ethnicity are becoming more universal. The psychological ramifications of these changes have been pronounced, although they have not been adequately addressed. During this workshop, an international group of panelists will encourage participants to conceptualize a variety of approaches towards realizing a liberatory psychiatry.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Clinicians, and social and community psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:
NY were presented at the APA annual meeting in 2005, it was well received and participants welcomed research on this important issue. Consequently, we have surveyed residents from training programs outside of New York State to obtain a more representative sample and we will be sharing this data at this meeting. Using this expanded survey as a springboard, supervisory and training issues pertinent to psychotherapy education of IMGs will be discussed. The attendees will be encouraged to share their programmatic and individual experiences.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 47  Saturday, October 7  1:30 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

BIOPSYCHOSOCIAL CONSEQUENCES OF CHILDHOOD VIOLENCE
APA Task Force on the Biopsychosocial Consequences of Childhood Violence

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should appreciate the impact of trauma and violence on many aspects of biopsychosocial functioning; and understand the critical role the psychiatric profession has in organizing a systematic approach to assessment and treatment of trauma-related problems and disorders.

SUMMARY:
This workshop summarizes the work of the APA Task Force on the Biopsychosocial Consequences of Childhood Violence. Interpersonal violence, especially child maltreatment and domestic violence, is the largest single preventable cause of mental illness. Over a third of the general population may have suffered an interpersonal trauma, and as many as 15–20 percent of the general population may have suffered multiple traumatic events. High-risk groups may have very high rates of trauma related to poverty, frequent violent crime, family dysfunction, and pervasive substance abuse. General population and clinical sample studies in children, adolescents, and adults repeatedly find that high rates of intrafamilial violence result in significant morbidity, including post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), mood disorders, suicidality, somatoform symptoms, substance abuse, and increased utilization and/or costs of medical care. For example, multiple reviews and meta-analyses find that child maltreatment triples the risk of major depression and increases risk for suicide 10- to 12-fold. Current estimates of prevalence of PTSD in the general United States population is about 6–7 percent, making it among the most common psychiatric disorders. In addition to psychiatric disorders, histories of interpersonal violence are highly associated with substance abuse, HIV-risk behaviors, and major medical illness.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 48  Saturday, October 7  3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

MANAGED CARE: WHERE ARE WE NOW AND WHERE ARE WE GOING?
APA Committee on Managed Care

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to identify key techniques used to manage costs, utilization, and quality; describe future reimbursement trends; describe techniques of pharmaceutical benefit management; identify strategies to assist patients to obtain necessary medications; describe managed care techniques utilization in the public sector; understand trends regarding Medicaid mental health services; and identify advocacy opportunities.

SUMMARY:
This workshop will identify key issues and the impact of managed care on costs, utilization and quality in both private and public sectors. Reimbursement trends of the
future including consumerism, chronic disease management and pay for performance will be discussed.

Managed care, which initially focused on reducing hospital care and psychotherapy, now has increasing trends towards reducing access to psychotropic medication. The techniques of pharmaceutical benefit management will be reviewed. Strategies to assist patient access to medically necessary medications that emphasize accountability of all parties will be reviewed. An overview of how states are presently managing their Medicaid mental health services and formularies will be presented. Key topics will include Medicaid managed care models, payment methodologies (i.e., capitation versus fee-for-service); the federal oversight role and discussion of key issues for advocates. Interactive audience participation will follow the presentation.

This workshop will be introduced and moderated by Paul H. Wick, M.D.; there will be three presentations: Current and Future Trends (Dr. Nace); Pharmaceutical Benefit Management (Dr. Bransfield); and Managed Care in the Public Sector (Mr. Muszynski), of approximately 20 minutes each. Time will be allotted for discussion.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Mental health professionals engaged in public and private psychiatry.

REFERENCES:
2. The Provision of Mental Health Services in Managed Care Organizations: DHHS Publication (SMA) 03-3797, Rockville, Md, SAMHSA, Center for Mental Health, 2003.

Workshop 49  Saturday, October 7 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
WORKPLACE CRISIS AND DISASTER INTERVENTION
APA Committee on Business Relations

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to understand the role of disaster mental health services in the workplace setting; characterize, through historical context and outcomes research, the current landscape of crisis intervention practices; and identify a new model for providing a full continuum of care in disaster mental health and crisis interventions and the important role of employee assistance programs.

SUMMARY:
This workshop will introduce a new paradigm on workplace crisis and disaster intervention. Psychological intervention subsequent to mass disasters and trauma has historically been characterized by reactive, event-centered practices with little or no appreciation for the temporal trajectory of the human response. A growing critique of this strategy is that not everyone exposed to a disaster will require assistance and not everyone will benefit from the same type of assistance. In addition to providing an historical context for why a new vision is necessary, we will present a newly developed tri-phasic, outcome-oriented model for disaster mental health services that uses resistance, resilience, and recovery as a basic framework for organizing care. Lessons learned from experiences after 9/11 and Hurricane Katrina from a psychiatrist’s perspective will be presented.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 50  Saturday, October 7 3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
DEMONS, SATAN, SCIENCE, AND HOMOSEXUALITY: A FILM ANALYSIS
Association of Gay and Lesbian Psychiatrists

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should gain familiarity with religious precepts which make the coming out process difficult for LGBT people and compel efforts to effect sexual orientation change.
SUMMARY:
Psychiatrists have been at the forefront of depathologizing and destigmatizing homosexuality. Many conservative religious groups have passionately opposed this process, holding to the view that homosexual behavior is immoral and mutable, citing statistics and findings that have little support in the secular scientific community. Gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered people (LGBT) have become scapegoated in the cultural wars: the line in the sand drawn by conservative people of faith fighting for a conservative “Biblical” view about how society should be structured and who should be empowered in that society. The workshop uses a film, “Can I change?” produced by the Association of Gay and Lesbian Psychiatrists, as a vehicle to understand how LGBT individuals of faith wrestle with their religious precepts and renegotiate their relationship with their deity. Psychiatrists often fail to appreciate the intensity of this internalized and very personal conflict because of their discomfort in addressing matters relating to religious faith. The goal of the workshop is to heighten this appreciation. No special background is needed.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Psychiatrists working with people of faith.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 51 Saturday, October 7
3:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

VULNERABLE PATIENTS AND SEXUAL TRAUMA

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to help individuals with mental illnesses; and identify and address their vulnerabilities to sexual violence and trauma and the ramifications of these unfortunate, but common events when they occur.

SUMMARY:
Among the violent and traumatic events that befall our communities and our patients, sexual violence and trauma loom large. Mental illnesses, including substance abuse, can impair the cognition, mood, self-esteem, social networks, and finances necessary for people to make decisions about sexual behavior and protect themselves from victimization. Individuals in the midst of episodes of serious psychiatric illnesses can be vulnerable to sexual assault, sexually transmitted diseases including HIV/AIDS, unintended pregnancy, and loss of custody of their children. These events can reciprocally interfere with treatment and recovery. Administrators and clinicians responsible for patients in both the public and private sectors therefore need to help patients identify and address their vulnerabilities and deal with the ramifications when they occur. This help should include: education about sexuality and reproduction; discussions about patients’ behaviors, values, and preferences; referral for routine reproductive health care and follow-up; and therapy to reduce the sequelae of sexual violence. To provide the information necessary for the provision of this help, this workshop offers the expertise of a public health obstetrician/gynecologist, a psychiatrist administering a large public mental health system, a child and adolescent psychiatrist, and a psychiatrist specializing in reproductive health issues.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Mental health clinicians and educators.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 52 Sunday, October 8
8:00 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

CONCOMITANT MEDICATION IN SCHIZOPHRENIA: WHAT WE KNOW, DON’T KNOW, AND IGNORE

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to better understand the prevalence and
correlates of concomitant psychotropic medication use in the treatment of patients who have been diagnosed with schizophrenia in both the acute and stable phases of illness, and appreciate the potential risks and benefits of this practice.

SUMMARY:
Many clinicians struggled to improve outcome in treating schizophrenic patients by augmenting antipsychotic medication with so-called ancillary or concomitant psychotropic medications (CPMs). These included combining antipsychotics, or combining an antipsychotic with antidepressants, mood stabilizers, anxiolytic agents or sedatives. The use of CPMs in people with schizophrenia is common. There is a lack of controlled scientific data that demonstrates the effectiveness of many of these agents in this population. In addition, CPMs may worsen quality of life, induce side effects and create drug interactions, increase cost and lower adherence. Presenters in this workshop will discuss prevalence and correlates of CPMs in schizophrenia. Data on CPM use in schizophrenia from the Clinical Antipsychotic Trials of Intervention Effectiveness (CATIE) trial study, data on CPM discontinuation in stabilized schizophrenic patients, and data on use of CPMs and readmission rates at Kings County Hospital will be presented for discussion by the workshop panelists. Participants will better understand clinical correlates of CPM use including association with illness severity, functional impairment and neurocognitive impairment and the benefits and risks of CPM use.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
The target audience is clinicians who treat schizophrenic patients who are partially responsive to treatment with first and second generation antipsychotic medications.

REFERENCES:

EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to demonstrate an understanding of the risk and protective factors that may precipitate violent behavior and how they may interact with specific reference to the topic of media violence and the concepts of neuroplasticity and resilience; and gain some knowledge of research challenges and programs to promote resilience and decrease violent behavior.

SUMMARY:
Media violence is a popular topic of both research and debate, however, defining its role in the etiology of violent behavior continues to be problematic at best. The co-chairs have recently written a paper entitled “Psychic Plasticity, Resilience and Reactions to Media Violence: What is the Right Question?” for an upcoming issue of The American Behavioral Scientist, focusing on media violence. In this workshop, we will review risk and protective factors related to destructive aggressiveness, including biological, individual, environmental and sociocultural factors. Media violence constitutes one type of environmental exposure on a very long list of precipitants to violent behavior. We will discuss how these factors interact, and perhaps synergize, and emphasize the concept of resiliency. We will emphasize youth as a risk factor and the importance of considering developmental stages. Drawing from some of our own work examining violence in schools, we will illustrate how social factors relate to aggression. We hope to address this topic from multiple perspectives, including those of psychiatrists, parents and teachers.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Adult and child/adolescent psychiatrists, psychologists and mental health professionals, especially those who work in a community and/or school setting or are interested in preventative care and public policy.

REFERENCES:
PROBLEM COUPLES IN GERIATRIC PSYCHIATRY
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to appreciate the complexity of treating patients with dementia who have spousal caregivers with various problems, assess the dynamics of the caregiver-patient relationship, and tailor treatment in a situation-specific manner to meet the needs of both the patient and the caregiver.

SUMMARY:
Caregiving for older adults poses many demands and challenges. Caregivers of patients with dementia are commonly spouses and adult children. In this workshop, we discuss five case examples of couples in which one spouse has dementia. Each case example illustrates a different problem in the relationship between patient and caregiver. Cases illustrated are those of caregiver abuse of the patient, financial exploitation of the patient, enmeshment between caregiver and patient, the caregiver with dementia, and a case of folie a deux. These cases illustrate the importance of a multidisciplinary team in assessing problems in the caregiver-patient relationship, and in addressing the needs of both caregiver and patient. Abuse and exploitation of the patient by the caregiver requires the intervention of local or state authorities. Cases where the caregiver has dementia or psychosis may also pose special challenges in the form of legal and ethical issues. In all cases, we try to illustrate how the treatment team can ensure that the patient with dementia and the caregiver receive safe and effective clinical care.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, and other geriatric health care professionals.

REFERENCES:

EVIDENCE-BASED TREATMENT OF IMPULSIVE AGGRESSION IN YOUTH
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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to recognize the subtypes of aggressive behavior most likely to benefit from pharmacological intervention; explain the role of neurophysiological testing in the assessment of impulsive or explosive aggression in youth; recognize which medications will target the underlying neurological dysfunctions; and describe comprehensive, long-term psychiatric management for irritable and explosive youth.

SUMMARY:
Designed for child/adolescent psychiatrists, this workshop, which combines neuropsychiatry, behavioral neurology, and neuropsychology, will review the research base, the current community standard of care, and innovative approaches to the management of irritable and explosive children. A vast scientific literature has shown that impulsive aggression is more biological than premeditated aggression, and more responsive to medication. Children and adolescents who commit impulsive aggression are different in both neuropsychological and neurophysiological measures. Consistent evidence indicates that irritable and explosive youth have neurocognitive vulnerabilities. They also demonstrate a high degree of electrophysiological abnormalities. Irritability is a non-specific symptom that is common to a number of psychiatric diagnoses, including Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, Bipolar Disorder, Major Depressive Disorder, and Autistic Spectrum Disorders. A youth with impulsive aggression who is irritable or explosive should have a comprehensive evaluation, including measures of brain function, before planning for behavioral, psychotherapeutic, or pharmacological interventions. This is particularly important in cases where several disorders co-occur or when monotherapy fails to manage the symptoms. While it may be premature to speculate that impulsive aggression shares a common biological pathway, regardless of diagnosis, there are some common principles for the pharmacological and neuropsychological management of irritable and explosive youth.
TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Child and adolescent psychiatrists.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 56
Sunday, October 8
10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

TRAUMA IN MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES: INSIDER/OUTSIDER DILEMMAS

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to recognize some of the common dilemmas practitioners face when working in marginalized communities and have increased understanding of an alternative model, the ecological model of trauma, which will assist them in navigating these difficulties.

SUMMARY:
Trauma has its greatest impact on marginalized communities (Harvey, 1996). Yet, as the Surgeon General’s report indicates, it is our most marginalized communities that are most poorly served by our current practice (U.S. DHHS, 2001). Three threads will be addressed in this workshop: a failure of mainstream theory to conceptualize the nuances of social power as it relates to violence; a failure of mainstream services to integrate culture in a way that produces interventions grounded in the realities of communities of color; and an example of a group designed to address the impact of trauma for multi-disadvantaged survivors. Panelists will be drawing on their respective work with public sector mental health clients, sexual-minority women partners of female-to-male transsexuals, and incarcerated women for this discussion.

This workshop will examine the limitations of our current theories, political movements and practices for marginalized groups, demonstrate use of the ecological model of trauma (Harvey, 1996), and illustrate the importance of an interdisciplinary approach to trauma. Discussion of changes needed in our current practice models and exploration of common dilemmas faced by practitioners practicing in marginalized communities will be included in the interactive question and answer segment.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
General psychiatrists, and policy makers. No specific background needed.

REFERENCES:

Workshop 57
Sunday, October 8
10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

INTEROPERAIBLE ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORDS AND PSYCHIATRY

APA Corresponding Committee on Electronic Health Records

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to describe the current status and major initiatives of the national Electronic Health Records (EHR) movement; describe the current activities of the APA involving EHR and identify resources for learning more about and staying abreast of further developments; and make a clinically and legally informed decision about the what, why, and how of assigning patient information to an open versus confidential section of an EHR.

SUMMARY:
In response to the growing political and consumer demand for electronic health records (EHR), the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services released, in July 2004, the first outline of a ten-year plan to build a national health information infrastructure in the U.S. This effort has been consolidated under the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC), which is funding several large-
scale efforts to accomplish this goal. It is important that psychiatrists have an understanding of, and contribute to, this rapidly accelerating movement, ensuring that concerns such as privacy are addressed while optimizing advantages such as reduction in medical errors, enhanced continuity of care, and improved efficiency. This workshop will review the status of the EHR movement, privacy and confidentiality issues, and the processes that are being utilized to develop standards and requirements for EHR that promote national interoperability. Participants will be asked to review and/or develop psychiatric “use cases,” real-world scenarios that are an effective tool for communicating to clinicians, standardization partners, and vendors the complexities and requirements that are needed for a psychiatry-compatible EHR.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Clinicians who have an interest in EHRs (standards, adoption, interoperability).

REFERENCES:

Workshop 58 Sunday, October 8 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

REACTIONS TO NATIONAL DISASTERS BY PATIENTS ON AN ASSERTIVE COMMUNITY TREATMENT TEAM

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EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES:
At the conclusion of this workshop, the participant should be able to identify the various reactions possible for patients with severe mental illness in an Assertive Community Treatment team after exposure to a national disaster and learn about ways to help these patients cope with this stressor.

SUMMARY:
There is literature on patients’ reaction to disaster, but very little on how patients with severe mental illness react to disasters that affect the nation as a whole.

The Baltimore Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) team, which currently treats 150 patients has been providing intensive psychiatric outreach services since 1990 to a population of individuals with SMI. Many of our patients face multiple traumas in their lives, including 50% with past homelessness, and these have often affected their symptoms, hospitalizations, and coping. ACT patients are also exposed to the stress of national disasters via the media, family directly affected by the disaster, and discussion of the effects of various disasters in their community in general. Our patients have discussed their feelings about the 9/11 disaster and the hurricane disasters individually with their clinicians and in a Women’s Group at the Baltimore ACT team. Reactions have varied from increased symptoms of existing psychiatric illness to anxiety disorders. A chart review was conducted to look at the frequency of hospitalizations and other evidence of decompensation following the 9/11 attacks and the gulf coast hurricanes.

After briefly reviewing literature on disaster psychiatry and describing ACT services, the panel will describe our experience in working with patients on an ACT team after recent national disasters. The audience will be invited to discuss their experiences with their patients.

TARGET AUDIENCE(S):
Psychiatry residents, medical students, trainees, psychiatrists, social workers, nurses, and other mental health professionals working in community settings.

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