

GP Curriculum statements – 13 -Care of People with Mental Illness

Learning Outcomes that could be delivered in Secondary care (Linked to Competency areas in the Curriculum)

Learning Outcome	Competency Area
1. Demonstrate an awareness of how to screen for and to diagnose people who are experiencing mental health problems using effective and reliable instruments where they are available	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary Care Management • Specific Problem solving skills • Psychomotor skills
2. Demonstrate an awareness of how to perform initial assessment and management of these conditions and to get specialist help	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary Care Management • Problem solving skills • Comprehensive approach • Psychomotor skills
3. Demonstrate the skills required to assess (a) mental state (b) risk/suicidal ideation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary Care Management • Person centred care • Comprehensive approach
4. Demonstrate an awareness of the current Mental Health Act	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary Care Management • Comprehensive approach
5. Demonstrate ability to deal with chronic suicidal tendency in borderline personality disorder, and patients who demand drugs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary Care Management • Person centred care • Holistic care
6. Describe the varied ways that psychosis can present in young people	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary care management • Comprehensive approach • Knowledge base
7. Describe the impact of mental health on family dynamics and issues surrounding these.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Person centred care • Holistic care

8. Demonstrate how to support patients and carers in accessing health care, carer guidance and make them aware of local and national support agencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary care management • Person centred care • Comprehensive approach
9. Be able to work in partnership with the health and social care organisations, both voluntary and statutory, that are an essential component of managing people with mental health problems.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge base • Primary care management
10. Demonstrate an awareness of the evidence of the health needs of people with mental health and the effectiveness of health interventions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary Care Management • Knowledge base • Psychomotor skills • Problem solving skills
11. Be aware of the ethical dilemma of the use of psychotropic drugs to sedate people for social reasons	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knowledge base • Comprehensive approach • Problem solving skills