# Mental Health:

Successes, Challenges & Misconceptions

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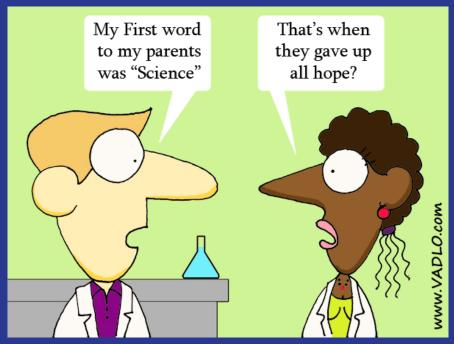


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#### Reminder:

You may feel like you have some of the symptoms or identify with some of the illnesses we will be speaking about.

It can be normal to have some of these symptoms sometimes, but if you're concerned or worried - please go see a Physician.

#### **Outline**

- Introduction to Mental Illness
- 2. Mood Disorders

~ Break ~

- 3. Psychosis
- 4. Personality Disorders
- 5. Where to Get Help



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# Introduction

#### What is Mental Health?

 The World Health Organization (WHO) states that health "is a state of complete physical, mental and social well-being and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity."

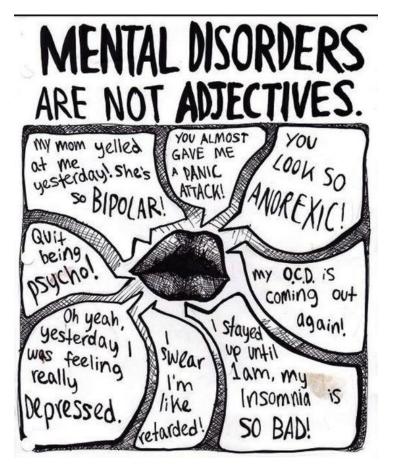
- Accordingly, mental health is being able to manage normal stresses, contribute to society and their community, and is a **state of well-being** 

#### What is a Mental Illness?

- A mental illness is condition that affects behaviour, emotion and/or the way we think - in some cases, it is a combination of two or three
- Mental illness is a medical problem
  - Mental disorders are the specific diagnoses (for example, schizophrenia) and we use a standardized manual for diagnosis
- Mental illness impacts the person's daily activities, such as social engagement and work life
- Many mental illnesses are treatable



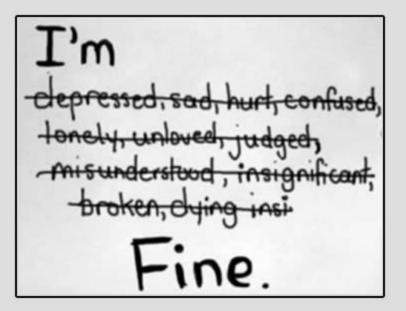
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#### Some Mental Health Stats

- 1 in 5 people will experience a mental illness during a one year period
- By age 40, about 50% of the population will have or have had a mental illness
- It is predicted that 10-20% of youth and adolescents struggle with mental illness
- In 1998 in Canada, the cost of mental illnesses for the healthcare system was estimated to be at least \$7.9 billion

# Depression



"It happens because of a sad situation"

"Depression only affects women"

"If your parents have depression, so will you"

"You'll have to be on antidepressants forever"

"Talking about it only makes it worse"

# Depression <u>is</u> a mental illness...

... and that means there is

### Depression

Aka. Major Depressive Disorder

- According to the Diagnostic Statistics Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-5), people with depression will need five of the following:
  - Depressed mood **and/or** loss of interest or pleasure (need one of these two)
  - Changes in weight
  - Sleep disturbances
  - Psychomotor agitations (restlessness or slowed)
  - Energy loss or fatigue
  - Guilt or worthlessness
  - Problems with concentration
  - Suicidal Ideation
  - These symptoms must be present for at least 2 weeks
  - You can get one or more episodes throughout your life

# Depression and Sex

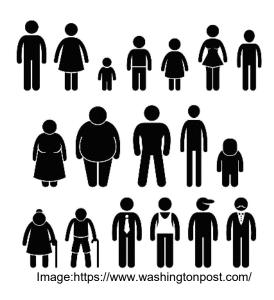
- Depression affects **both** males and females
  - It is more prevalent in females
- Canadian Mental Health Association addresses this by saying "Age and sex can also impact how people experience depression. Males often experience anger or irritability rather than sadness, shapes-silhouettes\_318-44832.jpg which can make depression harder for others to see"



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# Who Gets Depression?

- Depression can affect anyone it doesn't discriminate
- It's a combination of environmental factors, family history,
   life experiences, personality, and your unique biology
- Depression is not just a disorder for youth and adolescents,
   it's seen into adulthood and the elderly
- In the United States, it's the leading cause of disability for ages 15 to 44.3



# Some Treatment Options & Help for Depression

- Regular Exercise, Diet and Sleep
- Psychotherapy, Mindfulness or Counselling (face-to-face, online, workbooks)
- Support Groups
- Antidepressants (and not necessarily forever!)
  - there are many options and it may take time to find the right fit
- Brain stimulation techniques

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But what about suicide?

#### Suicide

- Suicide is complicated
- It's not necessarily due to one factor alone
- Suicide is not a character flaw
- Death by suicide is associated with enormous emotional pain
- Males are more likely to complete suicide than females

#### Suicide

- The Canadian Association for Suicide Prevention (CASP) acknowledges that there is a link between depression and suicide, but it is important to remember there are other reasons for suicide
- Not everyone with mental illness will have suicidal ideation or die by suicide
- Not everyone who contemplates or has died by suicide has a diagnosed mental illness

#### Suicide in Canada

In 2009, the suicide rate was 11.5 deaths per 100,000 in Canada

#### Suicide in British Columbia

In 2005, there were 8.8 deaths per 100,000 by suicide in **this** province

#### Suicide



- Death by suicide is one of the leading causes of death in adolescents and young people
- The highest rates of suicide occur in the middle aged-population (ages 40-59)

- There are many services and campaigns to help with preventing suicide and provide access for those struggling with suicide

# **Anxiety Disorders**

# What do these people have in common?



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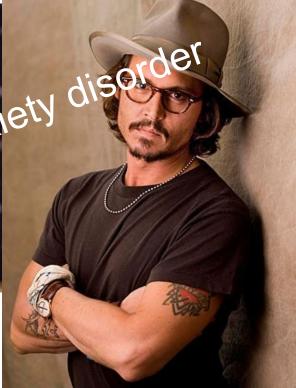


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## What do these people have in common?







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Over 40 million adults in the US suffer from anxiety disorders...

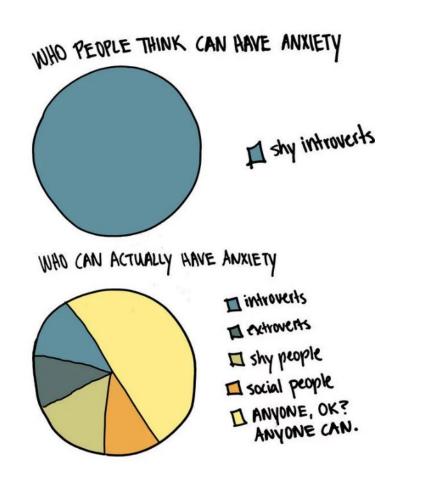
In Canada, anxiety disorders affect 5 to 12% of the population, causing mild to severe impairment

"Anxiety is not a "real" illness"

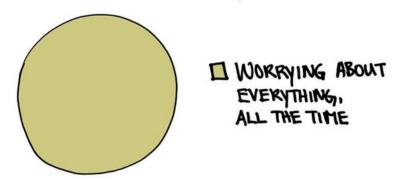
"Social anxiety is the same as being introverted or being shy"

"The disorder will just resolve on its own"

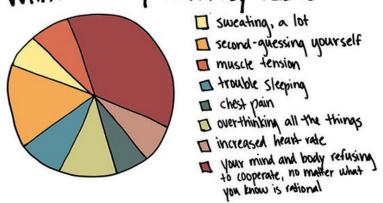
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#### WHAT PEOPLE THINK ANXIETY FEELS LIKE



# WHAT ANXIETY ACTUALLY FEELS LIKE



# What is Anxiety?

"Anxiety disorders include disorders that share features of excessive fear and anxiety and related behavioral disturbances"

- DSM-V

# **Anxiety Disorder**



Agoraphobia

Panic Disorder

Specific

Phobia

Generalized

Anxiety

Disorder

Social Anxiety

Disorder

# Generalized Anxiety Disorder

#### Prevalence in Canada

• 3.1%

#### <u>Onset</u>

- Prevalence of dx peaks in middle age (~30) and declines across the later years of life
- Many report that they have felt anxious and nervous all their lives

# Generalized Anxiety Disorder

#### For a diagnosis to be made...

- Excessive anxiety and worry that interferes significantly with psychosocial functioning
- 2. Difficulty controlling worry
- 3. Lasts at least 6 months
- 4. At least 3 associated symptoms
  - Restless
  - Feeling on edge
  - Being easily fatigued
  - Difficulty with concentration
  - Irritability
  - Insomnia

- Muscle tension

# Social Anxiety Disorder aka Social Phobia

#### Prevalence in Canada

• 6.7%

#### <u>Onset</u>

- Typically in childhood or early adolescence
  - Critical time period for developing social skills
- Social Anxiety Disorder rarely develops later in adulthood

### Social Anxiety Disorder

- Intense fear of being embarrassed or evaluated negatively by others
- Avoidance of social situations
- Usual course is chronic estimated average duration ~20 years
- Symptoms may fluctuate with stress and demands



#### For a diagnosis to be made...

- Symptoms must cause significant impairments in the individual's daily routine, or in their occupational and social functioning
- If individual <18 yrs old, symptoms must have occurred for at least 6 years</li>

# Functional Consequences of Social Phobia

- Elevated rates of school dropout
- Decreased employment
- Decreased workplace productivity
- Decreased socioeconomic status
- Decreased overall quality of life



"Social anxiety is the same as being introverted or being shy"

**Social Anxiety Disorder ≠ Shyness** 

### Panic Disorder

#### Prevalence in Canada

- 12-month prevalence: 1.6%
- Lifetime prevalence: 3.7%

#### <u>Onset</u>

- Late adolescence or young adulthood
- Although rare in childhood, first occurrence of "fearful spells" is often dated retrospectively back to childhood

### Panic Disorder

- Recurrent, unexpected panic attacks
- One month or more of:
  - Persistent concern about further attacks
  - Worry about implications
  - Significant change in behaviour



"I've had a panic attack before, therefore I have a panic disorder"

Panic attack ≠ Panic disorder

# Agoraphobia

Typically a result of panic disorder

 Fear of situations in which escape might be difficult or embarrassing if paniclike symptoms occur

- 1. Using public transportation
- 2. Being in open spaces
- 3. Being in enclosed places
- 4. Standing in line or being in a crowd
- 5. Being outside of home alone
- Feared situations are avoided or endured with dread

THE WORST FEELING IN THE WORLD IS TRYING TO HOLD BACK A PANIC ATTACK IN PUBLIC.



## Specific Phobia

#### <u>Prevalence</u>

Affect 19 million adults, or 8.7% of the US population

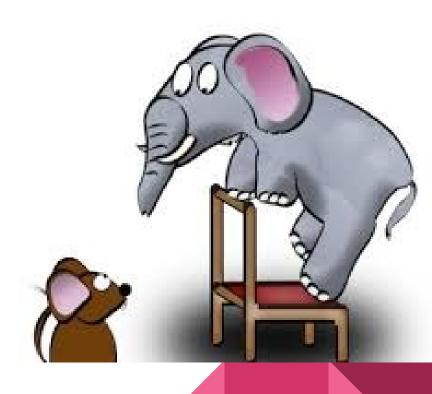


#### <u>Onset</u>

Symptoms typically begin in childhood; average age-of-onset is 7 years old

### Specific Phobia

- Severe, excessive, persistent fear
- Exposure evokes fear or panic
- Avoidance
- Recognizes fear is unreasonable
- Classification:
  - Animals
  - Situational
  - Natural environment
  - Blood-Injection-Injury
  - Other



# Risk Factors for Anxiety Disorders







## Some Treatment Options for Anxiety Disorders

- Antidepressants
- Anxiolytics
- Cognitive Behavioural Therapy
- Meditation, relaxation
- Exercise
- Sleep Hygiene



# Bipolar Disorder

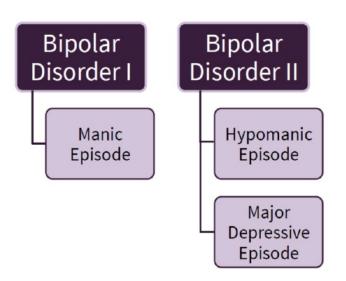
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"People with bipolar disorder are always either manic or depressed"

"Bipolar disorder is rare"

### Bipolar Disorder

- 1. Bipolar I Disorder
- 2. Bipolar II Disorder
- 3. Cyclothymic disorder
- 4. Substance/Medication-Induced Bipolar and Related Disorder



### Who does Bipolar Disorder Affect?

#### Risk Factor

- Genetic (most consistent)
- High income > low income countries

#### Prevalence in Canada

Lifetime prevalence ~1% for both type I & II

#### **Onset**

Late teens to mid-20's

### Bipolar I Disorder

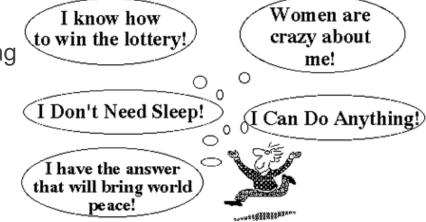
According to the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders 5th edition (DSM-V):

 Manic episodes (feeling of grandiosity, decreased need for sleep, increased goal-directed activity, etc.)

Depression not required

Marked or severe impairment in functioning

Not due to drugs or substances



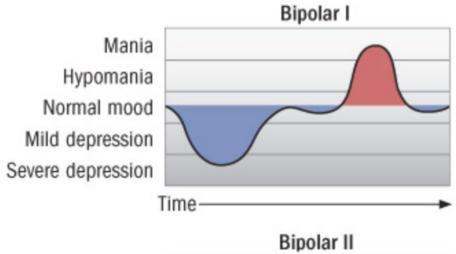
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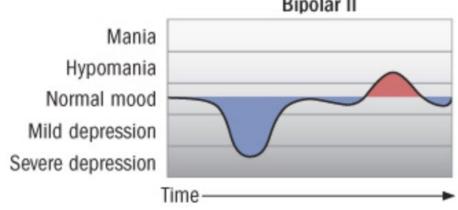


### Bipolar II Disorder

According to the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders 5th edition (DSM-V):

- Hypomanic episode (≥4 days)
  - Not marked or severe impairment in function
- Major depressive episode (≥2 weeks)
- Not due to drugs or substances





## Treatment Options for Bipolar Disorders

### It's complicated!

- Medication
  - Anxiolytic
  - Antipsychotic
  - Lithium
- Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT)
- And more

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# Take a breather

# Psychosis











Psychosis: Pt is not aware of litness and refers to treatment Neurosis: Less serious and insight present (Obsessive compulsive disorder, Post traumatic stress disorder)





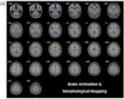


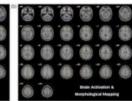
























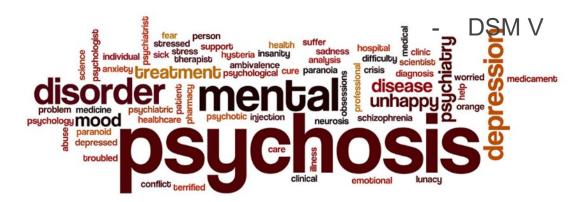




## What is Psychosis?

#### A common, functionally disruptive symptom.

"Psychosis refers to delusions, hallucinations, disorganized thinking, grossly disorganized motor behaviour, and negative symptoms".



#### Delusions - Fixed beliefs regardless of conflicting evidence

- Ex. The belief that one is being watched or is under surveillance

#### Hallucinations - A perception-like experience without an external stimulus

- Ex. Auditory (hearing voices)

#### Disorganized thinking - Most evident in speech

- Switching between topics, unrelated answers to questions

#### Blunted Affect - Decreased emotional expression

#### Avolition - A decrease in motivation

- Ex. Neglecting personal hygiene

### Classifying Psychotic Disorders

### Secondary

- When the symptoms are due to a known medical condition or substance use

### Primary

- When the symptoms cannot be explained by another cause (i.e. idiopathic)
  - Includes the schizophrenia spectrum

# Causes of Secondary Psychosis

#### 1. Neurological Conditions

a. Epilepsy, tumors, infections

#### 2. Vitamin Deficiencies

a. B12, niacin, thiamine

#### 3. Medications

a. L-dopa, prednisone, anticholinergics, benzodiazepine withdrawal



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http://sites.psu.edu/ngupta/2015/03/27/civic -issue-3-educating-about-mental-health/

#### 4. Substance Use

a. Hallucinogens, amphetamines, cannabis, cocaine

## Primary Psychosis - Schizophrenia Spectrum

#### 1. Schizophrenia

- 2. Schizophreniform Disorder
  - a. Symptom presentation equivalent to schizophrenia
- 3. Brief Psychotic Disorder
- 4. Delusional Disorder
  - a. 1 month + of delusional symptoms, no other psychotic symptoms
- 5. Schizotypal Personality Disorder
  - a. Below threshold for diagnosis of psychotic disorder
- 6. Schizoaffective Disorder
  - a. Mood and psychosis symptoms together

SOME PEOPLE THINK! CAN JUST GET OVER IT.

Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, fifth edition. Keshavan, M., & Kaneko, Y. (2013). Secondary psychoses: An update

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# Diagnosis

	Brief Psychotic Disorder	Schizophreniform Disorder	Schizophrenia
Symptoms	1 +	2 +	2 +
Duration	1 day to 1 month	1 month to 6 months	At least 6 months of disturbance
Functional Impairment	May present, but not required	May present, but not required	Significant in one or more areas

All conditions are not better explained by another psychiatric/medical condition, or substance use.

# Schizophrenia

"Schizophrenia is the result of a traumatic childhood, bad parenting, or poverty"

"Schizophrenia is a split personality"

"People with schizophrenia are violent"

"Schizophrenia is an untreatable illness"

# Origins of "Schizophrenia"

- Eugen Bleuler proposed terms to describe the mismatch he observed between the feelings and thoughts of patients
  - "Schizo" = split
  - "Phrene" = mind

 No relation between dissociative identity disorder (DID) and schizophrenia



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## Schizophrenia presents in different ways.

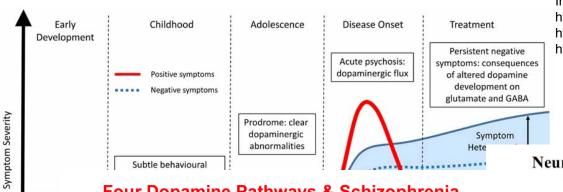
#### Symptoms of schizophrenia include:

- Positive:
  - Disordered thinking, hallucinations, and delusions
- Negative:
  - Avolition and decreased emotional affect
- Cognitive
  - Attention, memory, and executive function
- Affective
  - Depression and suicide



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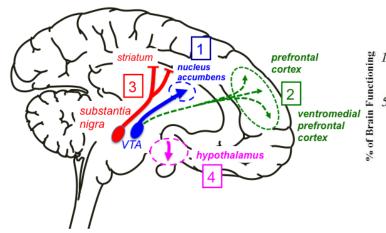
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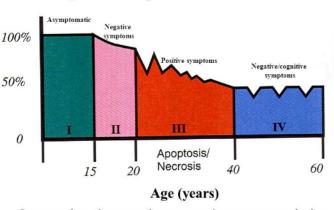
#### Neurodegenerative Hypothesis of Schizophrenia

(progressive loss of neuronal functions during the course of disease)

#### Four Dopamine Pathways & Schizophrenia



#### Stages of Schizophrenia Over a Life Time



Increased excitatory glutamatergic neurotransmission

- 1) Mesolimbic (SCZ increase in DA causes positive symptoms)
- 2) Mesocortical (SCZ DA hypoactivity: negative & cognitive & affective symptoms)
- 3) Nigrostriatal (Drugs EPS & TD drug side effects)

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4) Tuberohypophyseal (Drugs - hyperprolactinemia side effects)

# Schizophrenia is a medical disorder.

Although not completely understood, it is likely caused by a variety of factors including:

- Genetics
- Environment
  - Low socioeconomic status
  - Viral infection
- Development
  - Birth trauma
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1% of the world's population develops schizophrenia.

- Can develop at any age
  - 75% between 16 40 years

Gupta, S., & Kulhara, P. (2010). What is schizophrenia: A neurodevelopmental or neurodegenerative disorder or a combination of both? A critical analysis

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### Mental disorders do not equate to violence.

- The risk of violence is associated primarily with factors such as substance use.
  - In the absence of substance use, the prevalence of violence is no greater than among those without a mental disorder.

- People with schizophrenia are much more likely to be a victim of violence,
   than to perpetrate violence.
  - One study showed up to a 14X greater likelihood.



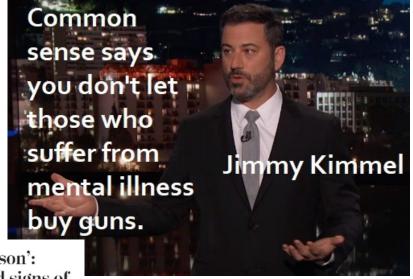
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#### Trump signs bill reversing Obama rule to ban gun purchases by mentally ill

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National Security

'He was not a stable person': Orlando shooter showed signs of emotional trouble



By Adam Goldman, Joby Warrick and Max Bearak June 12, 2016

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# Most people with mental illnesses, including the schizophrenia spectrum, are NOT violent.



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# Schizophrenia: Options for Care

There is no cure for schizophrenia (yet), but there are methods available to manage symptoms:

#### 1. Medications

- a. Antipsychotics
  - i. Primarily positive symptoms

#### 1. Psychosocial Interventions

- a. Family-based intervention
- b. Cognitive behavioural therapy
- c. Social skills training



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#### 1. Management of Side Effects

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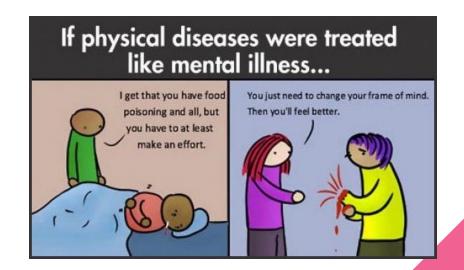
# Schizophrenia: Options for Care

Most individuals show significant improvement in their positive psychotic symptoms with antipsychotic medication,

But,

 A substantial proportion experience treatment resistant symptoms "Schiz phrenia is an untreatal le illness"

### But, there still is room for improvement.



# Personality Disorders

## Personality

#### What is personality?

- A way of thinking, feeling, and behaving
- Each of us have a unique personality that is reflective of both our genetic makeup and our <u>life experiences</u>.
- Develops over childhood and adolescence
- Includes a (predictable) range of flexible coping styles to meet changes in scenario, context, stressors, etc.









### WHAT PERSONALITY TYPE IS YOUR CAT?









## Personality Disorders

"Therapist's nightmare"

"Manipulative"

"Attention seeking"

"Unwilling to change"

"Rigid"

"Difficult"

## Personality Disorders

#### DSM-V:

Enduring pattern of inner experience and behaviour that deviates markedly from expectations of a person's culture.

- Exhibited across time and situations
- Causes <u>distress</u> to the one experiencing them and/or impacts day-to-day function (work, school, relationships, etc)
- Not due to substance use or another medical condition
- \*Often a diagnosis is not made in childhood or early adolescence
- \*6-15% of Canadian population is estimated to be affected

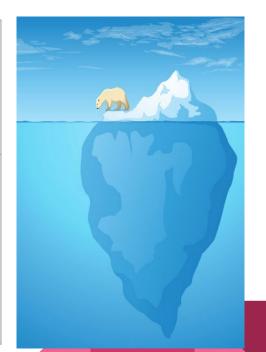
### Personality Disorders: DSM-V Clusters

Cluster A: Cluster B: Cluster C:

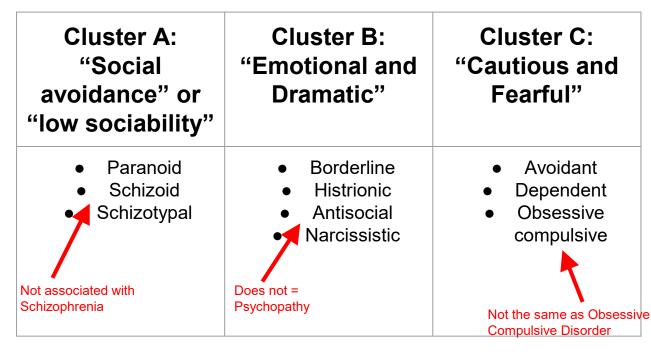
- 1. The purpose is not to put people in "boxes" but rather to try and communicate a (possibly moving and evolving) understanding / explanation of what the individual is experiencing.
- 2. Complexities, overlap, and comorbidities exist.

# Personality Disorders: DSM-V Clusters

Cluster A:  "Social avoidance" or "low sociability"	Cluster B: "Emotional and Dramatic"	Cluster C: "Cautious and Fearful"
<ul><li>Paranoid</li><li>Schizoid</li><li>Schizotypal</li></ul>	<ul><li>Borderline</li><li>Histrionic</li><li>Antisocial</li><li>Narcissistic</li></ul>	<ul><li>Avoidant</li><li>Dependent</li><li>Obsessive compulsive</li></ul>



# Personality Disorders: DSM-V Clusters





# A Close-Up on: Borderline Personality Disorder

#### Some of the DSM-V criteria include:

- 1. Significant impairments in personality functioning manifest by:
  - Impairments in self functioning (a or b)
    - a. Identity
    - b. Self-direction

#### AND

- Impairments in interpersonal functioning (a or b)
  - a. Empathy
  - b. Intimacy
- 1. Pathological personality traits in the following domains:
  - Negative Affectivity (emotional liability, anxiousness, separation insecurity, depressivity)
  - Disinhibition (impulsivity, risk taking)
  - Antagonism (hostility)

#### AND

- Features are stable across time
- Not better understood as normative for the individual's developmental stage or socio-cultural environment
- Not solely due to physiological effects of a substance or general medical condition
- Individual is at least 18 years

# Personality Disorders: Stigma and Challenges

- Poorly understood → frustration, assumptions, and stigma
- Complex → simplifications risk further perpetuating stigma and stereotypes



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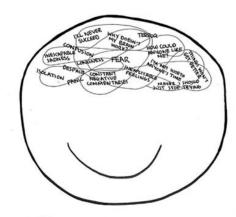
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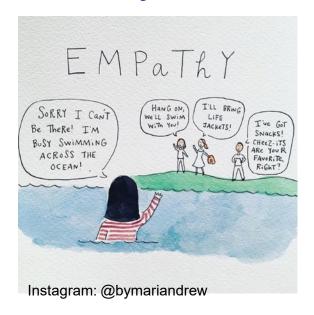


You never know what hides behind a smile

(...and many other things!).

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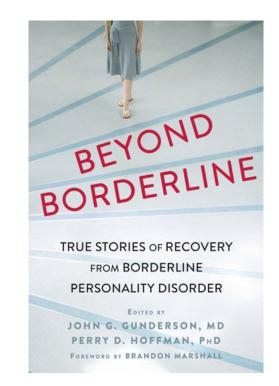


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### Learning from lived experience



I've lived with Borderline Personality Disorder for years. Why I'm finally talking about my diagnosis

Erica Ruth Kelly was diagnosed in her teens, but stigma has kept her quiet—even amid calls for more acceptance of mental health challenges

By Erica Ruth Kelly

""BPD tends to be a waxing and waning disorder," Wiebe explains. "The symptoms intensify and de-intensify over time.". It's true. Sometimes BPD feels like an ever-looming spectre."

## Personality Disorders: Options for care

Personality: an individual's unique pattern of thinking, feeling, and behaving



- E.g. Dialectical Behaviour Therapy (e.g. for Borderline Personality Disorder)
- 1. Group Therapy
- 2. Psychoeducation
- 3. Role of medication
- In some cases, but not all.
- No "universal" treatment depends on specific
   PD (e.g. Schizotypal vs Borderline)
- Should be combined with psychotherapy

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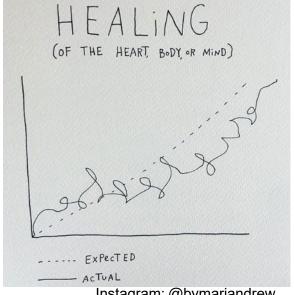
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## Personality Disorders: Outcomes

#### **Outcomes:**

- Some types of Personality Disorders have been researched more than others.
  - E.g. Borderline Personality Disorder:
    - Remission and Recovery both possible with treatment
- With stressors, symptoms may come back
- Reduction of symptoms and their interference vs. complete and permanent absence



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# Moving Forward

#### 5 small ways I can make a difference

- 1. Tell someone who doesn't know my story of mental health or substance use problems, or help others tell their story
- 2. Seek direct contact by volunteering for a mental health or addictions organization, or find personal stories of recovery
- 3. Think about the words I use. Do I use people-centered language like, "A person living with..." or do I say, "A schizophrenic" or, "An alcoholic?"
- 4. Think about how I personally support and treat people around me who are living with a mental health or substance use problem
- 5. Speak up when I see discrimination or when I see a law or policy that unfairly excludes people



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#### Mental Health Indicators

CLICK ON A FOCUS AREA BELOW TO EXPLORE THE RELATED INDICATORS



ACCESS AND TREATMENT



**ADULTS** 



**CAREGIVING** 



**CHILDREN AND** YOUTH



**DIVERSITY** 



**ECONOMIC PROSPERITY** 





SUICIDE



**HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS** 



**POPULATION** WELLBEING



RECOVERY



**SENIORS** 



# THE FRIENDSHIP BENCH #YELLOWISFORHELLO



JAN Fri 16 Pub (UV Tomorrow!

#### Friendship Bench Unveiling Ceremony

Public · Hosted by University of Victoria Students' Society (UVSS)

Tuesday, January 16th

12PM-1PM

**UVic Student Union Building** 

"...a permanent, physical, and year-round reminder to students to take a moment out of their day to sit, breathe, and talk (or think) about their mental health and that of their friends. It's intended to inspire peer-to-peer conversations about mental health in order to reduce the stigma and encourage more students seek help."

### Resources in British Columbia

#### Victoria / Vancouver Island:

24-Hour Vancouver Island Crisis Line: 1-888-494-3888

Crisis chat services from 6-10PM nightly: <u>www.vicrisis.ca</u>

Crisis text number 6-10PM nightly: 1-250-800-3806

Youth (14-24): Foundry Victoria & Victoria Youth Clinic

Students: UVic Student Health Clinic

55+: Senior's Support Network (Island Community Mental Health)

Family physicians, counsellors, psychologists, friends, family...

http://www.viha.ca/mhas/resources/

https://www.mentalhealthcommission.ca/English

http://www.bcalm.ca/fag/

https://cmha.bc.ca/programs-services/bounce-back/

http://www.islandcommunitymentalhealth.ca/programs/seniors-support-network/

http://www.bcmhsus.ca/about/our-unique-role/provincial-crisis-lines

#### **Provincial/National:**

Provincial Help Lines (BCMHSUS):

- 1-800-SUICIDE
- 310Mental Health Support (310-6789)

Health Link BC

Heretohelp.bc.ca

Mental Health Commission of Canada

Canadian Association for Suicide Prevention

**BCALM** 

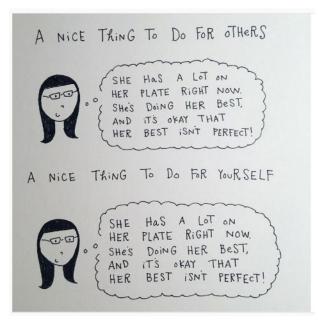
Bounce Back ®

Foundry

Plan G

Mental illness is nothing to be ashamed of, but stigma and bias shame us all.

- Bill Clinton



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