

# Consultation and Liaison Psychiatry Didactic Series Forensic Psychiatry Pearls for C&L

Mental health affections have been on the rise as a sequel of the COVID -19 pandemic. Thomas Jefferson University Hospital campuses and network sites provide services to a considerable number of patients that experienced emotional and behavioral disturbances during the hospitalization course. To continue providing a higher level of care and avoid emotional and behavioral disturbances interfering with Med/Surg treatment, a consistent and coherent approach for the management of those comorbidities would be beneficial. Continuing the efforts to implement and sustain an interdisciplinary approach model will help the health care workers to learn from each other optimizing patient care. Due to the liaison role of the Consultation and Liaison (CL) Psychiatry service it would be worth promoting the education of CL psychiatry across medical specialties and hospital networks. We developed a regularly scheduled series to provide education and fill the knowledge gap on the management of medical and psychiatry comorbidities during the patients' hospitalization course. The series will teach the health care providers about the identification of psychiatric comorbidities and understand the role of consultation and liaison psychiatry in identifying and addressing psychiatric comorbidities that potentially interfere with medical and surgical treatment. Providers should be cognizant of the specific mental health issues faced by the community served and how they should be managed, including knowing how to treat patients with substance abuse disorders as well as behavioral disturbances in the older population, delirium, etc. In addition, they will learn how to transfer a patient to a psychiatric unit, how to process an involuntary psychiatric commitment (302), and how to assess capacity. The CL Psychiatry series will promote the value of communication and interdisciplinary approach, understanding of psychiatry comorbidities in the medically ill and treatment options, and patient-centered treatment.

Objective(s):

Location: Online

Specialties: Emergency Medicine, Family Medicine, Geriatrics, Medicine, Neurological Surgery, Neurology, Surgery

Faculty Disclosures:

Jahaira Lopez-Pastrana (Nothing to disclose - 09/14/2022)

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## Objectives

1 a. Define what Forensic Psychiatry is and know what the cases in which this subspecialty's expertise can be of help. b. Describe the steps that need to be taken or avoided when an attorney wants your expertise. c. Understand the challenges of medical professionals in interacting with other professions involved in the legal system, such as attorneys, Probation officers and Police officers.

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Online

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