

Psychiatric emergencies in children

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Psychiatric emergencies refer to treatment of disorders of mood, thoughts and behavior in emergency setting. It needs experts in diagnosis and proper management with the rational of restoring functioning, re-enforcement and induction of development of healthy coping styles that protect future stresses. Actually, it depends on accurate evaluation of the anatomy of the crisis, in the child's experience (existence) together with accurate assessment of both physical and mental functioning. Psychiatric emergency presentation in children in Egypt is presented and discussed together with introducing the general practitioner in the first steps of immediate management program, till referred to the nearest hospital psychiatric unit