

Parents of paranoid and hebephrenic schizophrenics : A comparative study

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Parental psychopathology of schizophrenic patients is an important area for researches for decades. This work aimed to study the personalities of mothers and fathers of paranoid and hebephrenic schizophrenics (male patients) and the relationship between parents. Sixty-six male patients (32 paranoid and 34 hebephrenic schizophrenics) were included in the study.

In addition, a control group was selected from male workers and nurses assessed by Eysenck personality questionnaire (EPQ) to parents of both groups and a child attitude questionnaire (translated into Arabic), which investigated 18 different attitudes of parents towards their schizophrenic sons and the relationships between parents retrospectively. The study concluded that the personality of parents, parental interaction and parent-child relationship may determine the symptoms of schizophrenia and its type.