

Prevalence of obsessive compulsive symptoms and disorder in a sample of Egyptian schoolchildren

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The aim of this work was to study the prevalence of OCS and OCD in schoolchildren aged between 9-12 years old, to identify the psycho-socio-epidemiological risk factors among them, and to identify the effect of OCS on the cognitive function and educational level of the OCD children. The sample of the study included all the 1093 Egyptian students in Egyptian schools in Qatar aging between 9-12 years old. The study concluded that OCD is present in 0.64% of Egyptian schoolchildren in Qatar. It affects the cognitive functions of the children significantly causing academic deterioration.