

# **Prevalence of social anxiety disorder in late childhood and early adolescence among schools in Cairo**

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The social phobia is prevalent among Egyptian children and adolescent population. Also to determine the characteristic symptoms profile and socio demographic A representative sample was selected through multiple stage random sampling. The sample includes primary and preparatory students in Cairo, using DSM- IV-TR criteria for diagnosis of depression and social anxiety disorder.

The prevalence of social phobia was 18.8%. Social anxiety symptoms were more common in girls than in boys. Also it was higher in rural area. There was positive correlation between social anxiety and depression.

Social phobia appears to be quiet prevalent in Egyptian children and adolescent. It is a chronic serious disabling disorder with marked reduction in the quality of life.