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Sat, 5/16 - Time: 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Symposium: Spirituality and Religion in Global Mental Health - 1312

Location: InterContinental - Lower Level, Niagara/Ontario Rooms

Chair: Wai Lun Alan Fung, M.D.,Sc.D. University of Toronto, Canada

OBJECTIVES:

- understand the role of spirituality and religion on mental health in such countries as Brazil, Canada, China, India, the United Kingdom, as well as globally.
- identify the role of selected faith traditions, such as Christianity (including specific forms such as Spiritism), Hinduism and Judaism, in global mental health.
- have enhanced skill set in collaborating with spiritual care professionals to optimize mental Health service delivery and outcome worldwide

PRESENTATIONS

1. Spiritism and Mental Health: Theory and Practice - Alexander Moreira-Almeida, M.D., Ph.D.
2. Islamic Perspective in the Psychiatric Practice in Pakistan - Unaiza Niaz, M.D.
3. Hinduism and Principles of Mental Health - Dinesh Bhugra, M.D., Ph.D.
4. Expanding the Reach and Multiplying the Impact of Mental Health Prevention and Intervention Where Resources Are Scarce: Empowering Faith Communities to Deliver Mental Health Psychoeducation in a Spiritual Context - Tat-Ying Wong, M.D.
5. Psych and Spirit: The Role of Faith Communities in the Treatment of Mental Illness - Victor Shepherd, Ph.D

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Sun, 5/17 - Time: 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Symposium: : Integration of Spirituality in Health Care: Research and Clinical Reports – 0883

Location: InterContinental - Lower Level, Niagara/Ontario Rooms

Chair: Alexander Moreira-Almeida, M.D.,Ph.D.

OBJECTIVE

- 1) Recognize the importance of spirituality for clinical practice and research on mental health
- 2) Identify different modalities of integration of spirituality in clinical care and the evidence available for their effectiveness
- 3) Take a spiritual history and integrate patients' spirituality in a comprehensive clinical approach
- 4) Recognize different research strategies that have been used and what clinical aspects of spirituality are in greater need of rigorous research

PRESENTATIONS

Controlled clinical trials for spiritual and religious interventions: a systematic review and meta-analysis

Homero Vallada, M.D.,Ph.D., University of São Paulo - USP, Brazil

Clinical implications of spirituality to mental health: review of evidence and practical guidelines

Alexander Moreira-Almeida, M.D.,Ph.D., Federal University of Juiz de Fora – UFJF, Brazil

Interest in spiritually integrated psychotherapy among acute psychiatric patients

David Rosmarin, Ph.D., Harvard Medical School/McLean Hospital Belmont, United States

Depression and spirituality: clinical implications

John Peteet, M.D., Harvard Medical School Boston, United States

Spirituality groups with the chronically mentally ill

Nancy Kehoe, Ph.D. Department of Psychiatry, Cambridge Hospital, USA

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Mon, 5/18 - Time: 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Symposium: Facing Death in Research and Clinical Care - 0873

Location: Toronto Convention Centre - North, Level 200, Rooms 203 A-D

Chair: Alexander Moreira-Almeida, M.D.,Ph.D.

OBJECTIVE

- 1) Recognize the importance of experiences related to death for clinical practice and research
- 2) Be more comfortable to investigate and to discuss experiences related to death
- 3) Identify when experiences related to death are relevant to clinical care
- 4) Differentiate when healthy experiences related to death from psychotic or dissociative disorders
- 5) Integrate positively, during treatment, healthy experiences related to death in patients' life

PRESENTATIONS

Self-transcendence and adaptation to ultimate situations: clinical and research findings

C. Robert Cloninger, M.D.,Ph.D., Washington University in St. Louis, USA

William James and scientific investigation of spiritual experiences related to death

Alexandre Sech Junior, M.A., Federal University of Juiz de Fora (UFJF), Brazil

- York University, Canada

Anomalous experiences related to the experience of the departed (mediumship) – clinical and research implications

Alexander Moreira-Almeida, M.D.,Ph.D., Federal University of Juiz de Fora – UFJF, Brazil

Helping the clinician be prepared for anomalous experiences during treatment of traumatic loss

James Lomax, M.D., Baylor College of Medicine, USA