Publication of Iranian Textbook for Psychiatry

The world will go through fundamental changes in people’s health demands and specially their mental health in the next three decades. Non-communicable diseases, such as depression and heart diseases, will quickly replace human’s old enemies like infectious diseases in developing countries, which include four fifths of the world population and will be the top factors causing impotency, disability and premature death.

Meanwhile, Psychiatry is a complex science and as a medical specialty, perhaps more than other branches of medicine, overlaps significantly with humanistic disciplines such as literature, law, philosophy, religion and arts. And for this reason, psychiatry as a knowledge pool is ever expanding and rapidly advancing in breadth and depth. Although the underpinning science and core knowledge aspects of psychiatry are the same world-wide, because of the patho-plastic influence of cultural, religious, sociologic and ethnic variables that vary across cultures, there is a need for local and regional understanding of psychiatry.

To enhance such a relevant and varied understanding and to share knowledge within and beyond this vast discipline, expert clinicians, scientists and scholars from various interlinked disciplines need to come together collaboratively.

Regarding the immediate needs of medical students’, general practitioners’, psychiatrist assistants’, and Iranian cultural issues, “Iranian Textbook of Psychiatry” is modified and prepared through past studies, experiences and national researches with the use of psychological and psychiatric books, and multiple English language resources. The present book includes 32 different chapters starting from the psychiatric history to different mental disorders and whatever a medical and psychological student, a practitioner, psychologist and experts in other fields need. The present book is superior to other books of the psychological and psychiatric field, first because of data and epidemiologic information about Iranian people regarding different mental disorders and the effectiveness of various drugs, and second chapters like psychiatric and fasting, psychiatric based on evidence and psychiatry and spirituality which is needed by every Iranian practitioner and expert.

Book Features:

For producing this academic textbook, it has been tried to create some outstanding features for covering audiences’ needs in psychiatry domain:

1. It is tried to provide the contents regarding the Psychiatry instruction syllabus in the country. Chapters like “Psychiatry and Islamic Fasting”, and “Evidence Based Psychiatry” are also added to the book to help achieve the book’s aim as to promote Science of Psychiatry based on local needs and international achievements.

2. At the beginning of each chapter, objectives are introduced separately meant for medical students and interns in an assessable manner; this characteristic of the book helps to present the instructional goals separately to the students in a comprehensive manner and to test them in the same way. These objectives are considered in this edition of this book based on every chapter’s authors’ experience and personally believed priorities. We hope in later editions of this book, these objectives be submitted by the national board of Psychiatry according to the national medical education priorities.

3. At the beginning of each chapter a clinical case is introduced to acquaint the audience with clinical objectives and necessities of the contents and to raise questions, and this clinical case is analyzed at the end of the chapter based on the proposed questions. It is attempted to plan and organize this part based on an Iranian general practitioner needs and skills, and frequent cases in clinics in Iran.
vide the chance to review and recall the contents and presented points in the chapter, in addition to bolstering the learning process, and the opportunity to refer again to and retrieve studied information.

7. Since presentation of all points and contents is beyond the scope of the book, a “for Further Readings” section is also provided by authors at the end of each chapter to make it possible for the audience to study the complementary points.

8. The Iranian Psychiatric Drug Index at the end of the book is written based on the audience needs and is meant to introduce different Psychiatric medicines in the domestic market briefly and quickly.
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