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Psychiatry and Neuro-Oncology: a Developing Integration

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Abstract:

This presentation will discuss the new psychiatry and neuro-oncology integrative collaboration. It will be divided into several parts, beginning with discussion of mental health outcomes observed in neuro-oncology patients in current literature, and the importance of integrative care to improve the psychosocial needs of neuro-oncology patients. Dr. Dorr will then discuss her new integrative role as a child and adolescent psychiatrist embedded within the neuro-oncology multi-disciplinary clinic, made possible by an anonymous brain tumor grant. Next, she will discuss common psychotropic practices currently utilized in pediatric brain tumor patients along with current gaps in the research, and then move to discuss cancer related fatigue, particularly radiation-induced fatigue, in neuro-oncology patients. The presentation will end with a discussion on providing therapy to children at the end of life.

Dr. Jennifer Dorr, DO, MPH received her Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree from the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine, and a Master of Public Health in Epidemiology degree from the George Washington University. She completed her residency in psychiatry at Cooper University Hospital and received pediatrics training at Connecticut Children's Medical Center. During fellowship, Dr. Dorr served as the inpatient and education chief fellow at Children's National. She has received several awards, including the Area 3 Resident Fellow Merit Award from the American Psychiatric Association, and the Advocacy and Leadership Award from Children's National. She serves on several local, regional, and national psychiatric committees, including AACAP's national advocacy committee-and has presented nationally and internationally at both American Psychiatric Association's and the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry's conferences. In addition to psychiatry's role in psycho-oncology of the pediatric neuro-oncology population, Dr. Dorr is also very passionate about mental health advocacy, and has testified numerous times to national and state senators and representatives about pediatric mental health. Dr. Dorr is entering the second year of her new integrative psychiatric-neuro-oncology integrative position, and is enjoying the collaboration with neuro-oncology, other oncology specialties, psychology, neuro-psychology, palliative care, and social work. She feels grateful and privileged to have this position, and is looking toward expansion of psychiatric care of the neuro-oncology population, including clinical aspects of care and research innovations.

Learning Objectives:

At the end of this presentation, the learner will be able to:

- 1. Understand the psycho-social sequelae associated with brain tumor diagnoses and treatments
- 2. Demonstrate effective use of psychotropics in the treatment of psycho-social sequelae associated with brain tumor diagnoses and treatments
- 3. Discuss the current research needs in the understanding and treatment of radiation-induced fatigue in the pediatric neuro-oncology population
- 4. Name at least 3 tenants important in providing psychotherapy to children who are at end-of-life

Audience:

Psychiatrists, Psychologists, Neuropsychologists, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry fellows, Psychology Doctoral Interns

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