

Course ID: CMEC29

Psychogeriatrics

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Educational Objectives: Define content of psychogeriatric care. Epidemiological and diagnostic aspects. Limits to psychiatry, somatogeriatrics, neurology, and internal medicine. Clinical organisation. Education of doctors and staff. International outlook.

Course description: Is there a need of a speciality and specialists in psychogeriatric care?

The teachers of the course will constitute a panel with great interaction with the auditorium. It can be assumed that the organisation of psychogeriatric care differs between countries.

Short presentations by the teachers:

Ingvar Karlsson: International aspects.

Epidemiology of psychogeriatric disorders. How common are dementia disorders, depression, anxiety disorders, confusion states and psychotic disorders in the elderly. The panorama of diseases in the elderly will be compared with the panorama of diseases in other age groups.

Sonja Klingén: The organisation of psychogeriatric care at the University Hospital in Gothenburg, Sweden. Border and overlap to psychiatry.

Sture Eriksson: The organisation of psychogeriatric care at the University Hospital in Umeå, Sweden. Border and overlap to somatogeriatric care.

Björn Regland: Border and overlap between psychogeriatric care and care within internal medicine and neurology. Which speciality should have the responsibility to care for patients with dementia disorders?

Per Allard: Education of doctors. Is the education in psychogeriatric care sufficient? Is there a need of specialists?

Target audience: Psychiatrists, neurologists and geriatricians involved in care of the elderly.

Course level: Specialists in psychiatry, neurology and geriatric medicine.