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WELCOME

Neuropsychiatry is an exciting and rapidly growing field that promotes an improved understanding of the brain and mind relationship. It seeks to elucidate the neurocircuitry involved in primary psychiatric symptoms and syndromes such as mood, anxiety, psychotic, and somatic symptom disorders, and in neurological disorders that present with cognitive, emotional, or behavioral problems. The goal of neuropsychiatry is to advance diagnostic processes and treatment options for patients suffering from these disorders.

Healthcare professionals need to formulate an integrated understanding of neuropsychiatric disorders and implement interventions aligned with such an integrated vision. Interventions include the adaptation of psychotherapy interventions for patients with cognitive deficits, a judicious use of psychopharmacological agents, and appropriate use of brain stimulation therapies or referrals to specialists who use these techniques. They need to become familiar with medical conditions that could manifest with neuropsychiatric symptoms and know how to treat them, refer to other specialists, or work collaboratively with medical subspecialists. Ideally, neuropsychiatric conditions require comprehensive evaluations and evidence-based therapeutic approaches delivered by interdisciplinary teams.

This course is designed to enhance participants' knowledge of brain-behavior relationships and their skills for the diagnostic work-up and treatment of patients with neuropsychiatric disorders. Harvard Medical School faculty will review cutting-edge clinical research, evidence-based interventions, and practical guidelines for the clinician. The course content will include the functional neuroanatomy of emotions, cognition, and behavior, the fundamentals of the neuropsychiatric exam and relevant ancillary tests, and neuropsychopharmacology and non-pharmacological interventions in neuropsychiatric disorders. We will discuss the neuropsychiatric aspects of traumatic brain injury, epilepsy, neurodegenerative disorders, neuroinflammatory disorders, multiple sclerosis, functional neurological disorders, sleep disorders, Tourette Syndrome, and other neurodevelopmental disorders, addiction, pain, and other disorders. Learners will benefit from a variety of educational formats, including lectures, panel discussions, case discussions, question-and-answer sessions, and an electronic syllabus.

Thank you for joining us at this important conference!

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- Specialty Physicians
 - Psychiatrists
 - Neurologists
 - Family/General Practice
 - Geriatrics
 - Pathologists
 - Pediatricians
 - PM&R
 - Preventative
- Primary Care Physicians
- Neuropsychologists
- Psychologists
- Physician Assistants
- Nurses
- Nurse Practitioners
- Social Workers
- Pharmacists

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of this activity, participants will be able to:

- Evaluate brain-behavior relationships and identify neurocircuitry as they pertain to neuropsychiatric manifestations.
- Learn to integrate history, mental status examination, with relevant diagnostic work-up to generate differential diagnoses in neuropsychiatry and monitor treatment.
- Enhance recognition of prominent and distinctive neuropsychiatric manifestations of common neurological and medical disorders.
- Enhance knowledge of available treatments for patients with neuropsychiatric disorders.
- Recognize the roles of prevention and team-based approaches to the assessment and treatment of neuropsychiatric conditions.
- Recognize neuropsychiatric manifestations and treatment considerations in special populations and settings such as oncological patients, forensic settings, and children and adolescents.
- Recognize the neurocognitive manifestations of the most common primary psychiatric disorders, such as schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, major depressive disorder, and anxiety.

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AGENDA

Day 1 – Thursday, October 22, 2026

7:50-8:00 AM Welcome & Introduction
David Silbersweig, MD

MODULE TOPIC 1:

Structural and Functional Neuroanatomy
8:00–8:40 AM A Neuroanatomy Primer
Jeremy Schmahmann, MD

8:40-9:20 AM Functional Neurocircuitry of Affective and Behavioral Processes and Neuropsychiatric Syndromes
David Silbersweig, MD

9:20-10:00 AM Functional Neurocircuitry of Cognition and Cognitive Syndromes
Kirk Daffner, MD

10:00-10:20 AM Panel Discussion
Moderator: Scott McGinnis, MD
Panelists: David Silbersweig, MD; Jeremy Schmahmann, MD;
Kirk Daffner, MD

10:20-10:30 AM Break

MODULE TOPIC 2:

Neuropsychiatric Assessment
10:30-11:05 AM The Neuropsychiatric Exam and Ancillary Tests
Sheldon Benjamin, MD

11:05-11:35 AM Neuroimaging in Clinical Neuropsychiatry
Joshua Klein, MD, PhD

11:35 AM-12:05 PM Neuropsychological Evaluation in Neuropsychiatry
Deborah Green, PhD, ABPP

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12:05-12:20 PM Panel Discussion

Moderator: Scott McGinnis, MD

Panelists: Sheldon Benjamin, MD; Joshua Klein, MD, PhD;
Deborah Green, PhD, ABPP

12:20-1:05 PM Lunch Break

MODULE TOPIC 3:

Neuropsychiatric Therapeutics Part 1

1:05-1:45 PM Brain Stimulation Therapies in Neuropsychiatry

Michael Fox, MD, PhD

1:45-2:15 PM Psychopharmacology: Drugs That Affect Cognition

Isaiah Kletenik, MD

2:15-2:45 PM Psychopharmacology: Neuropsychiatric Syndromes

Maurizio Fava, MD

2:45-3:05 PM Panel Discussion

Moderator: Gaston Baslet, MD

Panelists: Maurizio Fava, MD; Isaiah Kletenik, MD;
Michael Fox, MD, PhD

3:05-3:15 PM Break

MODULE TOPIC 4:

Neuropsychiatric Therapeutics Part 2

3:15-4:05 PM Psychosocial Interventions in Neuropsychiatry

Abby Altman, PhD; Emma Weizenbaum, PhD

4:05-4:35 PM Optimizing Brain Health: Lifestyle, Aging and Disease Risk Reduction

Seth Gale, MD

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4:35-4:55 PM Panel Discussion

Moderator: Gaston Baslet, MD

Panelists: Emma Weizenbaum, PhD; Abby Altman, PhD; Seth Gale, MD

4:55-5:00 PM Concluding Remarks

Gaston Baslet, MD

Day 2 – Friday, October 23, 2026

7:50-8:00 AM Welcome & Introduction

Kirk Daffner, MD

MODULE TOPIC 5:

Neuropsychiatry of Neurological Disorders Part 18:00-8:30 AM Acute and Subacute Neurocognitive Impairments

Scott McGinnis, MD

8:30-9:00 AM Neuropsychiatry of Alzheimer's Disease

Nancy J. Donovan, MD

9:00-9:30 AM Neuropsychiatric Aspects of Frontotemporal Dementia

Brad Dickerson, MD

9:30-9:50 AM Panel Discussion

Moderator: Kirk Daffner, MD

Panelists: Scott McGinnis, MD; Nancy J. Donovan, MD; Brad Dickerson, MD

9:50-10:00 AM Break

MODULE TOPIC 6:

Neuropsychiatry of Neurological Disorders Part 2

10:00-10:30 AM Neuropsychiatric Aspects of Parkinson's Disease

Stanley Lyndon, MD

10:30-11:00 AM Neuropsychiatry of Epilepsy

Daniel Weisholtz, MD

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11:00-11:30 AM Functional Neurological Disorder

Gaston Baslet, MD

11:30 AM-12:00 PM Neuropsychiatry of Sleep

Milena Pavlova, MD

12:00 PM-12:30 PM Panel Discussion

Moderator: Kirk Daffner, MD

Panelists: Stanley Lyndon, MD; Daniel Weisholtz, MD; Gaston Baslet, MD; Milena Pavlova, MD

12:30-1:30 PM Lunch Break

MODULE TOPIC 7:

Neurobehavioral and Neuropsychiatric Syndromes and Disorders Part 1

1:30-2:00 PM Neuropsychyo-oncology

Damien Miran, MD

2:00-2:40 PM Neuropsychiatry of Traumatic Brain Injury

Thomas McAllister, MD

2:40-3:10 PM Neuropsychiatry of Multiple Sclerosis

Laura T. Safar, MD

3:10-3:30 PM Panel Discussion

Moderator: Kirk Daffner, MD

Panelists: Damien Miran, MD; Thomas McAllister, MD; Laura T. Safar, MD

3:30-3:40 PM Break

MODULE TOPIC 8: Neurobehavioral and Neuropsychiatric Syndromes and Disorders Part 2

3:40-4:10 PM Neuropsychiatric Aspects of Pain

Ginger Polich, MD

4:10-4:40 PM Neuropsychiatric Aspects of Addiction

Joji Suzuki, MD

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4:40-4:55 PM Panel Discussion

Moderator: Juan Carlos Urizar, MD

Panelists: Ginger Polich, MD; Joji Suzuki, MD

4:55-5:00 PM Closing Remarks

Juan Carlos Urizar, MD

Day 3 – Saturday, October 24, 2026

7:50-7:55 AM Welcome & Introduction

Laura T. Safar, MD

MODULE TOPIC 9:

Neuropsychiatry of Developmental Disorders

7:55-8:25 AM Principles and Practice

Susanna Mierau, MD, DPhil

8:25-8:55 AM Psychopharmacology of Autism Spectrum Disorders

Christopher Keary, MD

8:55-9:25 AM Neuropsychiatry of Tourette Syndrome and Related Tic Disorders

Jeremiah Scharf, MD, PhD

9:25-9:40 AM Panel Discussion

Moderator: Laura T. Safar, MD

Panelists: Susanna Mierau, MD, DPhil; Christopher Keary, MD; Jeremiah Scharf, MD, PhD

9:40-9:45 AM Break

MODULE TOPIC 10:

Neuropsychiatry of Medical Disorders

9:45-10:15 AM Neuropsychiatry of Inflammatory Disorders

Rishab Gupta, MBBS, MD

10:15-10:45 AM Forensic Neuropsychiatry

Jhilam Biswas, MD

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10:45-11:15 AM Neuropsychiatric Aspects of Endocrine Disorders
Catherine Gonzalez, MD

11:15-11:30 AM Panel Discussion
Moderator: Laura T. Safar, MD
Panelists: Rishab Gupta, MBBS, MD; Jhilam Biswas, MD; Catherine Gonzalez, MD

11:30 AM-11:35 AM Break

MODULE TOPIC 11:

Special Topics in Neuropsychiatry
11:35 AM-12:05 PM Neurocognitive Aspects of Primary Psychiatric Disorders
Katherine Burdick, PhD

12:05-12:35 PM Geriatric Neuropsychiatry
Juan Carlos Urizar, MD

12:35-1:15 PM Holistic and Sustainable Management of Complex Neuropsychiatric Patients
Barry Fogel, MD

1:15-1:30 PM Panel Discussion
Moderator: Scott McGinnis, MD
Panelists: Katherine Burdick, PhD; Juan Carlos Urizar, MD; Barry Fogel, MD

1:30 PM Closing Remarks
Juan Carlos Urizar, MD

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