PSY 630 Week 6 Discussion Question Information

Required Resources

Text

Advokat, C. D., Comaty, J. E., & Julien, R. M. (2018). [*Julien's primer of drug action: A comprehensive guide to the actions, uses, and side effects of psychoactive drugs*](https://ashford.instructure.com/courses/73784/modules/items/3729481) (14th ed.). Retrieved from https://vitalsource.com

* Chapter 16: Geriatric Psychopharmacology
* Chapter 17: Challenging Times for Mental Health

Articles

Conner, D. F. (2011, August 11). [Problems of over diagnosis and overprescribing in ADHD (Links to an external site.)](http://www.psychiatrictimes.com/adhd/problems-overdiagnosis-and-overprescribing-adhd). *Psychiatric Times*. Retrieved from http://www.psychiatrictimes.com/adhd/problems-overdiagnosis-and-overprescribing-adhd

* In this piece a physician takes an overarching view of the issues behind ADHD.

Dolan, E. W.  (2011, August 7). [Antidepressant use increasing among those with no psychiatric diagnosis. (Links to an external site.)](http://www.rawstory.com/rs/2011/08/07/antidepressant-use-increasing-among-those-with-no-psychiatric-diagnosis/) *The Raw Story.* Retrieved from http://www.rawstory.com/rs/2011/08/07/antidepressant-use-increasing-among-those-with-no-psychiatric-diagnosis/

* This is an opinion piece on the important issue of psychiatric drug use.

Gup, T. (2013, April 2). [Diagnosis: Human (Links to an external site.)](http://www.nytimes.com/2013/04/03/opinion/diagnosis-human.html?_r=2&). *The New York Times*. Retrieved from http://www.nytimes.com/2013/04/03/opinion/diagnosis-human.html?\_r=2&

* This is an insightful opinion piece about the problem with psychiatric diagnosis considering the range of human behavior.

Recommended Resources

As part of your ongoing studies this week, you are encouraged to interact with one another in the [Ashford University Online Psychology Club (Links to an external site.)](http://www.linkedin.com/groups/Ashford-University-Online-Psychology-Club-5132531) via LinkedIn. This community of learning will allow you to create supportive networks for like-minded scholarship and to work through difficult course concepts in a mutually respectful environment. Please take a moment to explore [the community (Links to an external site.)](http://www.linkedin.com/groups/Ashford-University-Online-Psychology-Club-5132531) and see what your colleagues are discussing.  
  
Please note: If you do not already have a LinkedIn account, you will need to create one before joining.

Multimedia

American Psychological Association. (2012, November 8). [*“This is psychology” episode 9: Drugs and therapy* (Links to an external site.)](http://youtu.be/Ery8RHHEfIM) [Video file]. Retrieved from http://youtu.be/Ery8RHHEfIM

* This video examines the integration of drugs and psychotherapy.

KPBS SanDiego. (2012, November 28). [*Antipsychotic drugs for dementia* (Links to an external site.)](http://youtu.be/BiawvxlbRMI) [Video file]. Retrieved from http://youtu.be/BiawvxlbRMI

* This video explores the efficacy of antipsychotic drugs in treating dementia.

Penn Medicine. (2011, February 25). [*Medication use in older adults* (Links to an external site.)](http://youtu.be/QfbCP-Y6v1M) [Video file]. Retrieved from http://youtu.be/QfbCP-Y6v1M

* This video explores some of the common issues with medication use in the elderly.

UCFS Memory and Aging Center. (2009, November 4). [*Medications currently available for the treatment of Alzheimer’s disease* (Links to an external site.)](http://youtu.be/zT4gc9JeaN4)[Video file]. Retrieved from http://youtu.be/zT4gc9JeaN4

* This video examines drugs used to treat Alzheimer’s Disease.