

Consultation-Liaison Psychiatry Alternate Rural Pathway Syllabus

B Consultation–Liaison psychiatry

B1 Interviewing and assessment

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| B1.1.1 | Principles of interviewing, history gathering and documentation in the general medical setting | IDK |
| B1.1.2 | Specialised cognitive testing | IDK |
| B1.1.3 | Focused medical assessment and investigations in the medically ill | IDK |

B2 Systemic issues in Consultation–Liaison psychiatry

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| B2.1.1 | Role of Consultation–Liaison psychiatrist | WK |
| B2.1.2 | Models of care in the general medical setting (consultation versus liaison) | WK |

B3 Treatments in psychiatry

B3.1 Social

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| B3.1.1 | Stigma associated with mental illness in the general hospital setting | IDK |
| B3.1.2 | Advocacy when the patient is under another clinician's care | WK |

B3.2 Biological

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| B3.2.1 | Principles of psychopharmacology and prescribing in the medically ill patient, eg. patients on multiple medications, patients with impaired organ function | IDK |
| B3.2.2 | Psychiatric and neuropsychiatric sequelae of medical conditions and their treatments | WK |
| B3.2.3 | Analgesia | AC |

B3.3 Psychological

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| B3.3.1 | Principles of psychological interventions in the Consultation–Liaison setting | IDK |
| B3.3.2 | Application of psychological techniques (eg. conflict resolution) to the patient and the treating team | WK |
| B3.3.3 | Containing distress | WK |

B4 Normal development across the lifespan

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| B4.1.1 | Impact of medical illness on normal development | WK |
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B5 Psychology

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| B5.1.1 | Abnormal illness behaviour | IDK |
| B5.1.2 | Sick role | IDK |
| B5.1.3 | Responses to trauma and medical illness (including chronic medical illness) | WK |
| B5.1.4 | Demoralisation | WK |
| B5.1.5 | Grief and loss | WK |

B6 Cultural competence

- B6.1.1 Impact of cultural factors in the general medical setting, eg. different understandings of the need to inform the patient WK

B7 Specific disorders in consultation–liaison psychiatry

In Stage 2, trainees are expected to acquire knowledge of the following aspects of the disorders listed below:

Epidemiology, aetiology (biopsychosocial, cultural), symptomatology, course, assessment, management (biopsychosocial, cultural), psychiatric and medical comorbidities, differential diagnoses.

B7.1 Organic psychiatry

- B7.1.1 Delirium IDK
B7.1.2 Epilepsy WK
B7.1.3 Acquired brain injury WK
B7.1.4 Psychiatric illness due to general medical conditions (including side effects of treatments) WK

B7.2 Psychiatric disorders in the medically ill IDK**B7.3 Somatoform disorders**

- B7.3.1 Pain disorders WK
B7.3.2 Somatisation disorder WK
B7.3.3 Conversion disorder WK
B7.3.4 Hypochondriasis WK

B7.4 Factitious disorder and malingering WK