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LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Discuss the prevalence and impact of ADHD in children, adolescents and adults.
- Discuss ADHD as a disorder and how it differs from normal behaviour.
- Be able to critically assess key factors in the conceptualisation and understanding of the disorder.
- Discuss the core challenges faced by those with ADHD, their families and relevant professionals.
- Discuss wider issues related to ADHD, such as labelling and stigma from multiple perspectives.
- Demonstrate an empathic understanding of the experiences of people living with ADHD.
- Describe core principles, tools and techniques used in the screening and diagnosis of ADHD, and the factors that may impact on the accuracy of a diagnosis.
- Explain how ADHD is distinguished from, and relates to, other common neurodevelopmental, behavioural and mental health problems.
- Reflect upon and discuss current evidence for the genetic and environmental vulnerability for ADHD, and associated neurological mechanisms for ADHD.
- Critically discuss the current evidence base for both pharmaceutical and non-pharmaceutical interventions for ADHD.

- Evaluate the rationale, mechanism, and limitations of the primary medical and psychosocial treatments for ADHD.
- Evaluate practical strategies to support the educational and personal development of those living with ADHD.
- Be able to identify resources and relevant support services for those living with ADHD.
- Evaluate the biological and environmental risk factors for ADHD.

SYLLABUS

- What ADHD is, and the controversies raised by the concept of ADHD
- Latest neuroscientific and psychiatric research based on the mechanisms, symptoms and impairments of ADHD
- ADHD as a developmental disorder throughout the lifespan: genes, environments (protective and risk factors)
- Latest neuroscientific and psychiatric research based on the various means of screening and assessing for child ADHD
- Latest neuroscientific and psychiatric research based on the mechanisms, diagnosis and treatment of adult ADHD
- Understanding best practice in treatment for ADHD Mechanisms and efficacy of psychosocial treatments, pharmacological treatments supporting positive outcomes for those with ADHD and their families

