Disorders of Childhood

We turn to our second open access text for a brief discussion on the disorders of childhood.

(https://psy241.pressbooks.com/chapter/disorders-in-childhood/ \_

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As you read and learn about some of the disorders diagnosed in childhood, please note that these are specifically

diagnosed in childhood although there may also be an adult diagnosis that the childhood disorders develops into or

corresponds to. Some disorders must have symptoms that begin in childhood in order to make the diagnosis, even if

in adulthood such as ADHD.

We are only briefly touching on this very interesting and rich are of abnormal psychology.

Treatment and Intervention Services for Autism Spectrum Disorder

Link

Task: View this topic

Autism spectrum disorder (ASD) is a developmental disability that can cause significant social, communication and

behavioral challenges. There is often nothing about how people with ASD look that sets them apart from other

people, but people with ASD may communicate, interact, behave, and learn in ways that are different from most

other people. The learning, thinking, and problem-solving abilities of people with ASD can range from gifted to

severely challenged. Some people with ASD need a lot of help in their daily lives; others need less.

Mental illness in children: Know the signs

Link

Task: View this topic

Children can develop the same mental health conditions as adults, but their symptoms may be different. Know what

to watch for and how you can help.

temple grandin the world needs all kinds of minds

Video

Task: View this topic

Temple Grandin, diagnosed with autism as a child, talks about how her mind works -- sharing her ability to "think in

pictures," which helps her solve problems that neurotypical brains might miss. She makes the case that the world

needs people on the autism spectrum: visual thinkers, pattern thinkers, verbal thinkers, and all kinds of smart geeky

kids.

thomas curran our dangerous obsession with perfectionism is getting worse

Video

Task: View this topic

Social psychologist Thomas Curran explores how the pressure to be perfect -- in our social media feeds, in school,

at work -- is driving a rise in mental illness, especially among young people. Learn more about the causes of this

phenomenon and how we can create a culture that celebrates the joys of imperfection.

Reflection Paper 15

Assignment

1. APA formatting (10 points)

2. 2 full content pages summarizing readings and videos (10 points).

3. Comment on the issues surrounding the diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorders and how they have been turned

into a misinformation campaign that has no basis in credible research. ( 10 points)

Title page, 2 full content pages, reference page