

ADHD

- Disorder of hyperactivity, impulsivity, inattention that affect multiple life aspects.
- Classified into 2 predominant subtypes;
 - ❖ Hyperactive/impulsive
 - Hyperactivity and impulsivity come together in children; characterized by the inability to sit still or inhibit behavior
 - hyperactive/impulsive symptoms are observed by age of 4 , increase and peak by 7-8 and then hyperactivity begin to decline but impulsivity usually persist through out life
 - Although hyperactivity becomes barely noticeable by others adolescent may feel restless
 - ❖ Inattention type
 - characterized by reduced ability to focus attention and reduced speed of cognitive processing and responding
 - Complaints usually about academic and cognitive problems
 - More prominent in children born <32 weeks gestation
 - Not apparent until age of 8-9 and they are lifelong problem
- Prevalence among children varies; 2-18% depend on study population and criteria
 - ❖ Among school age 8-11 %
 - ❖ making it one of the most common disorders of childhood
 - ❖ Some studies suggest increase in prevalence over years
- 1/3 of children diagnosed before 6 years of age
- More common in boys; (4:1 in hyperactive type, 2:1 in inattentive type)
- Comorbid conditions can be primary or secondary (eg, exacerbated by the ADHD). ; they require Tx independent of ADHD Tx
- ADHD has 2 core symptoms;
 - ❖ Impaired function
 - Must impair Academic, social life to meet ADHD criteria
 - Social skills significantly impaired
 - Problems with inattention limits opportunities for social skills acquiring and friendships.
 - Hyperactivity/impulsivity results in peers rejection
 - ❖ Hyperactive/impulsive and inattention;
- Evaluation;
 - ❖ They require evaluation in every single aspect; medical, developmental, educational, psychological
 - ❖ Clinical interview with parent and ptn required, school performance assessment, checking for emotional/behavioral disorders.

1. medical evaluation
 - physical exam in most children normal; but u should do it
 - Measurements of height, weight, head circumference, vitals
 - Assess dysmorphic features and neurocutaneous abnormalities
 - Complete neuro exam with vision and hearing assessment
 - Observe child behavior in office
 2. Ancillary evaluation
 - speech/language evaluation
 - Occupational therapy
 - Mental
 - Blood lead level/ thyroid hormone/ genetic testing (fragile x)/ neuro consultation and EEG
- DSM5 diagnostic criteria;
- ❖ <17 years old; ≥ 6 hyperactivity/impulsivity symptoms or ≥ 6 inattention symptoms
 - ❖ ≥ 17 ; ≥ 5 hyperactivity/impulsivity symptoms or ≥ 5 inattention symptoms
 - ❖ Symptoms must be;
 - Occur often
 - Multiple setting (school, home,)
 - > 6 months persistence and before age of 12
 - Impairs function
 - Excessive of developmental level
- Treatment;
- ❖ In general;
 - Care coordination by involving ptn and family
 - Set realistic achievable goals
 - Improve relationships with others
 - Improve academic performance
 - Improve rule following (يكون مطيع)
 - ❖ Preschool age (4-5 years) ; behavioral therapy is the initial therapy provided by parents of teacher
 - ❖ School age (≥ 6) ; initial Tx with stimulants + behavioral therapy
 - ❖ Medications;
 - Stimulants;
 - Methylphenidate
 - Amphetamines
 - Atomoxetine (norepi reuptake inhibitors)
 - Alpha 2 agonist (clonidine or guanfacine)

ASD

- It is impairment in 2 domains;(diagnosis depends on this)
 - Social communication/interaction
 - Restricted repetitive behaviors, interests and activities
- Has multiple names;
 - childhood disintegrative disorder,
 - pervasive developmental disorder- not otherwise specified
 - Asperger disorder
- 4:1 male to female with increasing prevalence
- Associated conditions;
 - Intellectual disability 50%-75%
 - Seizures 11-39 %; higher in individuals with more severe intellectual disability
 - GI/ feeding problems 19-24%
 - Sleep disturbances
- Pathogenesis ; incompletely understood, could be related to genetic, neurobiology, environmental factors and parental age.

IMPAIRED SOCIAL COMMUNICATION AND INTERACTION examples;

- Social reciprocity; ما بقدر يتفاعل معك عاطفيا ولا اجتماعيا
- Joint attention; reduced spontaneous seeking to share enjoyment, interests, or achievements with other people
- Nonverbal skills; impaired ability to use facial expressions, gestures, eye to eye
- Social relationships; fail to develop and maintain peer relations.

RESTRICTED AND REPETITIVE BEHAVIOR, INTERESTS, AND ACTIVITIES examples;

- stereotyped behaviors;
 - echolalia
 - motor mannerisms(repetitive movements such as nodding, walking on tip toe, flapping)
 - Self injurious behavior; common among cognitively disabled ASD
- Insistence on sameness (نفس الروتين ما بغيره)
- Restricted interests; (اهتمامات محدده بشكل مبالغ فيه)
- Intellectual impairment;
 - Cognitive skills of individuals with ASD are usually uneven, regardless of the general level of intelligence
 - Verbal skills are usually weaker than nonverbal skills
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- **Special skills;**
 - Savant skills
 - Hyperlexia (بتعلم يقرأ بوقت مبكر)
 - Calendar calculation

- **Diagnosis;**
 - History
 - Examination: growth, woods lamp, dysmorphic features
 - Neurological
 - Ancillary testing;
 - Exclude other conditions that may mimic ASD
 - Vision/ Hearing assessment
 - Speech, language
 - Developmental/ intelligence testing
 - Adaptive skills assessment; to establish priority in treatment plan
 - Neuropsychologic
 - Occupational therapy evaluation

- Dsm 5 criteria; don't believe we are required to know them. Just read

- **Management;**
 - Should be individualized
 - Multidisciplinary approach
 - Improve; social, communication, adaptive skills ,decrease negative behaviors, promote cognition
 - Treatment;
 - Behavioral and educational
 - Pharmacological;
 - ✓ Risperidone and aripiprazole only drugs allowed
 - ✓ Titrate dose up
 - Complementary/alternative tx for other associated conditions

DSM-5 CRITERIA FOR DIAGNOSIS

- diagnosis of ASD requires all of the following:
- Persistent deficits in social communication and social interaction in multiple settings; demonstrated by deficits in all three of the following (either currently or by history):
 - Social-emotional reciprocity (eg, failure of back-and-forth conversation; reduced sharing of interests, emotions)
 - Nonverbal communicative behaviors used for social interaction (eg, poorly integrated verbal and nonverbal communication; abnormal eye contact or body language; poor understanding of gestures)
 - Developing, maintaining, and understanding relationships (eg, difficulty adjusting behavior to social setting; difficulty making friends; lack of interest in peers)
- Restricted, repetitive patterns of behavior, interests, or activities; demonstrated by ≥ 2 of the following (either currently or by history):
 - Stereotyped or repetitive movements, use of objects, or speech (eg, stereotypes, echolalia, ordering toys, etc)
 - Insistence on sameness, unwavering adherence to routines, or ritualized patterns of behavior (verbal or nonverbal)
 - Highly restricted, fixated interests that are abnormal in strength or focus (eg, preoccupation with certain objects; perseverative interests)
 - Increased or decreased response to sensory input or unusual interest in sensory aspects of the environment (eg, adverse response to particular sounds; apparent indifference to temperature; excessive touching/smelling of objects)

➤ **Prognosis;**

- Hard to predict in ptn <3 years
- Good prognostics;
 - High cognition
 - Decreased symptoms severity
 - Early detection
 - Involvement in intervention
 - Presence Joint attention
 - Functional play skills
- Poor prognostics;
 - Lack of joint attention by age of 4
 - Lack of functional speech by 5
 - IQ<70
 - Seizures
 - Severe ASD symptoms