### SNS COLLEGE OF NURSING

# Mental health nursing 1

### Revision plan

### UNIT -I

### **Introduction to Mental Health Nursing**

### Two-Mark Questions (MCQ Type - based on general understanding for short, factual answers)

- 1. Which of the following topics is specifically covered in Unit I regarding the introduction to mental health nursing? a) Classification of mental disorders b) Therapeutic communication techniques c) **Historical development of mental health nursing** d) Nursing care for mood disorders
- 2. The content for Unit I includes discussing the concept of: a) Psychodynamics of maladaptive behaviour b) **Normal and abnormal behaviour** c) Etiology of mental disorders d) Mental health assessment methods
- ② **Rationale**: Unit I explicitly lists "Concepts of normal and abnormal behaviour" as part of its content. Other concepts like psychodynamics, etiology, and assessment are covered in subsequent units.
- 3. A key aspect discussed in Unit I regarding the mental health nurse's role is: a) Application of INC practice standards b) Providing nursing care to patients with schizophrenia c) Role & functions of mental health nurse in various settings d) Conducting mini mental status examination
- ② **Rationale**: Unit I specifically covers the "Role & functions of mental health nurse in various settings and factors affecting the level of nursing practice". Other options are either general competencies or specific content from later units.

### Two-Mark Questions (Short Answer Type)

- 1. List two learning outcomes for Unit I of the Mental Health Nursing I course.
- **Expected Answer**: On completion of Unit I, students should be able to: Describe the historical development & current trends in mental health nursing, and Discuss the scope of mental health nursing.
- 2. Define the "concept of normal behaviour" as discussed in mental health nursing.
- ② **Expected Answer**: The concept of normal behaviour is one of the core ideas introduced in Unit I, alongside abnormal behaviour, to establish a foundational understanding for mental health nursing. (A more detailed definition would be expected if the source provided one, but it only lists the concept itself).

3. Identify two components of the content covered under "Introduction" in Unit I.
Expected Answer: Two components are: Perspectives of Mental Health and Mental Health Nursing and Evolution of mental health services, treatments and nursing practices. Other valid answers include Mental health team, Nature & scope of mental health nursing, Role & functions of mental health nurse i various settings and factors affecting the level of nursing practice, or Concepts of normal and abnormal behaviour.
Five-Mark Questions
1. Discuss the scope and nature of mental health nursing as outlined in Unit I.
<b>Expected Answer</b> : This question requires students to elaborate on the "Nature & scope of mental

# 2. Explain the role and functions of a mental health nurse in various settings, including factors that affect their practice, as per the Unit I content.

its significance based on the introductory perspectives provided in the course.

health nursing". They should explain what mental health nursing entails, the breadth of its practice, and

② **Expected Answer**: This question asks for a detailed explanation of the "Role & functions of mental health nurse in various settings and factors affecting the level of nursing practice". Students should describe diverse environments where mental health nurses work and the elements that influence their professional activities.

# 3. Describe the concepts of normal and abnormal behaviour, highlighting their relevance in the context of mental health nursing.

② **Expected Answer**: The response should define and differentiate between "normal and abnormal behaviour", explaining the criteria or perspectives used to classify them. The relevance should link back to the foundational understanding required for mental health nursing practice.

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### **Essay Question**

- 1. Trace the historical development of mental health nursing, including the evolution of mental health services, treatments, and nursing practices, and discuss its current trends. Additionally, elaborate on how the understanding of normal and abnormal behaviour has evolved and impacts contemporary mental health nursing practice.
- ② **Expected Answer**: This comprehensive essay question combines several key elements from Unit I. It requires students to:
- ② Describe the historical development & current trends in mental health nursing. This includes the "evolution of mental health services, treatments and nursing practices".
- Discuss the scope of mental health nursing by implicitly linking the historical context to current practice.

- ② **Describe the concept of normal & abnormal behaviour**, and articulate how this understanding influences contemporary mental health nursing.
- The answer should draw from the "Perspectives of Mental Health and Mental Health Nursing" to provide a holistic overview.

### **UNIT II**

### **Multiple Choice Questions (2 Marks Each)**

- **1.** Which of the following is NOT listed as a classification system for mental disorders in Unit II? a) ICD11 b) DSM5 c) Geropsychiatry manual classification d) WHO Global Mental Health Atlas Outline of Answer Key: \* The correct answer is d) WHO Global Mental Health Atlas. \* The sources explicitly mention ICD11, DSM5, and Geropsychiatry manual classification as classification systems for mental disorders within Unit II.
- 2. Which of the following conceptual models of mental health nursing is specifically mentioned in Unit II? a) Cognitive-behavioral model b) Existential model c) Humanistic model d) Biological model Outline of Answer Key: \* The correct answer is b) Existential model. \* Unit II content lists Existential model, Psychoanalytical models, Behavioural model, and Interpersonal model as conceptual models.
- **3.** The psychopathology of mental disorders in Unit II includes a review of: a) Socioeconomic determinants b) Structure and function of the brain, limbic system, and abnormal neurotransmission c) Environmental stressors d) Cultural influences on mental health **Outline of Answer Key:** \* The correct answer is **b) Structure and function of the brain, limbic system, and abnormal neurotransmission**. \* Unit II's content on the psychopathology of mental disorders includes a "review of structure and function of brain, limbic system and abnormal neurotransmission".

### **Short Answer Questions (5 Marks Each)**

- 1. Briefly explain the key components of the etiology of mental disorders as discussed in Unit II. Outline of Answer Key: \* Etiology of mental disorders in Unit II should focus on the bio-psychosocial factors. \* Students should elaborate on each of these three components: \* Biological factors: Genetic predispositions, neurochemical imbalances, brain structure abnormalities. \* Psychological factors: Personality development, defense mechanisms (which are specifically mentioned for review in this unit), cognitive distortions. \* Social factors: Environmental stressors, family dynamics, cultural influences.
- 2. List and briefly describe any two conceptual models of mental health nursing mentioned in Unit II. Outline of Answer Key: \* Unit II lists several conceptual models, including Existential model, Psychoanalytical models, Behavioural model, and Interpersonal model. \* Students can choose any two and provide a brief description of each. For example: \* Psychoanalytical models: Focus on unconscious conflicts, early childhood experiences, and defense mechanisms influencing behavior. \*

**Behavioural model:** Emphasizes learned behaviors and how maladaptive behaviors can be unlearned or new adaptive behaviors can be learned through conditioning principles. \* **Interpersonal model:** Highlights the importance of interpersonal relationships and communication in mental health and illness. \* **Existential model:** Focuses on an individual's search for meaning, freedom, and responsibility in life.

### **Essay Question**

1. Discuss the classification of mental disorders, including the major systems utilized, and explain the principles and standards of Mental Health Nursing as outlined in Unit II. Outline of Answer Key: \* Introduction: Briefly define mental health nursing and the importance of classifying disorders and adhering to principles and standards. \* Classification of Mental Disorders: \* Explain that classification helps in diagnosis, treatment planning, research, and communication. \* Detail the major classification systems mentioned in Unit II: ICD11, DSM5, and Geropsychiatry manual classification. \* Briefly describe the general approach or characteristics of each (e.g., ICD for global health, DSM for diagnostic criteria). \* Principles of Mental Health Nursing: \* Elaborate on the fundamental guiding beliefs and values of mental health nursing practice. \* Discuss the role of ethics and responsibilities. \* Practice Standards for Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing: \* Specifically mention the Indian Nursing Council (INC) practice standards. \* Explain their purpose in guiding professional conduct and ensuring quality care in supervised clinical settings. \* Provide examples of what these standards might encompass (e.g., competency in assessment, therapeutic communication, application of nursing process). \* Conclusion: Summarize the interconnectedness of classification, principles, and standards in providing comprehensive and ethical mental health nursing care.

These questions are designed to cover the breadth of the learning outcomes and content specified for Unit II, aligning with the "Essay" and "Short answer" assessment methods indicated.

### **Unit III: Mental Health Assessment**

### Part A: Multiple Choice Questions (2 Marks Each)

- 1. Which of the following is explicitly mentioned as a component of Mental Health Assessment in Unit III content? a) Group therapy b) Psychopharmacology c) **History taking** d) Recreational therapy
  - 2 Answer Key: c) History taking
- 2. The "Mini Mental Status Examination" (MMSE) is listed under which section of Mental Health Assessment? a) Psychological Therapies b) Investigations c) **Mental Health Assessment** d) Therapeutic Communication

- 2 Answer Key: c) Mental Health Assessment
- 3. Which of the following is considered an 'Investigation' used in mental health assessment according to the course content? a) Psychotherapy b) Behaviour therapy c) **EEG** d) Yoga
  - 2 Answer Key: c) EEG
- 4. Apart from Mental Status Examination, what other physical examination is mentioned as part of Mental Health Assessment? a) Ophthalmological examination b) Cardiovascular examination c) **Neurological examination** d) Respiratory examination
  - Answer Key: c) Neurological examination
- 5. "Psychological tests" are a part of Mental Health Assessment. Which of the following is *not* an investigation method mentioned alongside psychological tests? a) CT scan b) MRI scan c) Blood chemistry d) **Psychotherapy** 
  - 2 Answer Key: d) Psychotherapy

### Part B: Two-Mark Questions

- 1. List two components of Mental Health Assessment mentioned in the course outline.
  - **Answer Key:** Two components of Mental Health Assessment are:
    - 1. History taking
- 2. **Mental status examination** (Other valid answers include: Mini mental status examination, Neurological examination, Investigations, Psychological tests)
- 2. Name two types of investigations used in Mental Health Assessment.
  - **Answer Key:** Two types of investigations used in Mental Health Assessment are:
    - 1. Related Blood chemistry
- 2. **EEG** (Electroencephalogram) (Other valid answers include: CT (Computed Tomography), MRI (Magnetic Resonance Imaging))
- 3. What is the primary purpose of conducting a Mental Status Examination (MSE)?
- ② **Answer Key:** The primary purpose of conducting a Mental Status Examination (MSE) is to **assess the mental health status** of a patient. It is a structured way of observing and describing a patient's current state of mind.

### Part C: Five-Mark Essay Question

1. Elaborate on the process of Mental Health Assessment, detailing its various components.

- ② **Answer Key:** The Mental Health Nursing course is designed to develop skills in the application of the nursing process for the assessment and care of patients with mental health disorders. **Mental Health Assessment** is a crucial part of this process, aimed at describing the nature, purpose, and overall process of understanding a patient's mental health status.
  - The various components involved in Mental Health Assessment include:
- ② History Taking: This involves gathering comprehensive information about the patient's past and
  present medical, psychiatric, social, and family history to understand the context of their mental health
  problems.
- ☑ **Mental Status Examination (MSE):** A systematic assessment of the patient's current mental state. It includes observations and evaluations of appearance, behavior, speech, mood, affect, thought process, thought content, perception, cognition (e.g., orientation, memory, concentration), and insight and judgment.
- Mini Mental Status Examination (MMSE): This is a brief, quantitative tool used to screen for cognitive impairment, often utilized as part of the broader mental status examination.
- ② **Neurological Examination:** This examination assesses the patient's neurological functioning, which can sometimes provide insights into underlying physical causes or co-morbidities affecting mental health.
- ② Investigations: These include various medical tests to rule out or identify physical conditions that may mimic or contribute to mental health symptoms. Specific investigations mentioned are Related Blood chemistry, EEG (Electroencephalogram), CT (Computed Tomography) scan, and MRI (Magnetic Resonance Imaging) scan.
- Psychological Tests: These are standardized tools designed to measure aspects of a person's psychological functioning, such as personality traits, cognitive abilities, and specific mental health conditions.
- 2 Through these combined assessment methods, nurses can gather comprehensive data to form a basis for applying the nursing process in delivering care to patients with mental disorders.

Unit IV: Therapeutic Communication and Nurse-Patient Relationship

Sample Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ) - (1 Mark Each, illustrative)

- 1. Which of the following is considered a **therapeutic communication technique**? a) Giving advice b) Self-disclosure c) Using silence d) Asking "why" questions
- ② (Hypothetical Answer: c) Using silence This technique allows the client to gather thoughts and feelings, facilitating deeper communication, as often discussed under therapeutic communication techniques.)
- 2. A nurse-patient contract typically includes elements such as: a) Social activities and personal opinions b) Mutual goals, time, and confidentiality c) Financial agreements and legal advice d) Family history and personal biases

- ② (Hypothetical Answer: b) Mutual goals, time, and confidentiality These are foundational elements of a professional, therapeutic relationship, as outlined in the "Elements of nurse patient contract".)
- 3. **Transference** is an example of a: a) Therapeutic communication technique b) Therapeutic relationship characteristic c) Therapeutic impasse d) Non-therapeutic communication barrier
- ② (Hypothetical Answer: c) Therapeutic impasse Transference, along with countertransference and resistance, are common challenges or "impasses" in the therapeutic relationship that require management, as covered in "Therapeutic impasse and its management".)

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Sample Two-Marks Questions (Short Answer)

These questions require students to **define** or **briefly describe** specific concepts.

- 1. List two characteristics of effective therapeutic communication.
- ② (Possible answer based on content: Clear, empathetic, goal-directed, patient-centered, respectful, non-judgmental, using active listening.)
- 2. Define a therapeutic nurse-patient relationship.
- ② (Possible answer based on content: A professional, goal-directed relationship where the nurse uses therapeutic communication and understanding of interpersonal dynamics to help the patient achieve optimal mental health outcomes.)
- 3. Name two barriers to therapeutic communication.
- [2] (Possible answer based on content: Giving advice, false reassurance, asking "why" questions, changing the subject, personal biases, lack of empathy.)
- 4. Briefly explain the purpose of the Johari window technique in interpersonal relationships.
- ② (Possible answer based on content: It's a tool for understanding and improving self-awareness and mutual understanding between individuals, by exploring areas of known and unknown information about oneself and others, contributing to the review of "technique of IPR- Johari window".)

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Sample Five-Marks Essay Questions

These questions require students to **describe**, **explain**, or **discuss** concepts in more detail, integrating various aspects of the unit's content. These are aligned with the "Essay" assessment method for Unit IV.

- 1. Describe the various techniques of therapeutic communication, providing a brief example for each.
- ② (Expected content: Discussion of techniques like active listening, silence, reflection, clarification, focusing, exploring, offering self, broad openings, etc., as covered under "Therapeutic communication: Types, techniques, characteristics and barriers".)

- 2. Explain the stages of a therapeutic nurse-patient relationship and how a nurse navigates through each stage.
- ② (Expected content: Discussion of pre-interaction, orientation, working, and termination phases, along with the nurse's role and responsibilities in establishing trust, setting goals, working towards change, and ensuring closure, drawing from "Therapeutic nurse-patient relationship".)
- 3. Discuss what constitutes a therapeutic impasse, identify common types of impasses, and outline the nurse's interventions to manage them effectively.
- ② (Expected content: Definition of therapeutic impasse, examples such as transference, countertransference, resistance, boundary violations, and the nurse's role in recognizing, analyzing, and intervening to resolve these challenges, as derived from "Therapeutic impasse and its management".)

### **V UNIT**

### Part A: Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs)

- 1. Which of the following is categorized as a physical therapy in mental disorders? a) Group Therapy b) Yoga c) **Electro Convulsive Therapy (ECT)** d) Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT)
- 2. Psychotherapy, Behaviour the jirapy, and CBT are examples of which type of treatment modality? a) Physical Therapies b) **Psychological Therapies** c) Psychosocial Therapies d) Alternative & Complementary Therapies
- 3. Therapeutic Community and Family Therapy fall under which category of treatment modalities? a) Physical Therapies b) Psychological Therapies c) **Psychosocial Therapies** d) Alternative & Complementary Therapies
- 4. Yoga, Meditation, and Relaxation are considered which type of treatment modality? a) Psychosocial Therapies b) Physical Therapies c) Psychological Therapies d) **Alternative & Complementary Therapies**

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### **Part B: Two-Mark Questions**

**Instructions:** Answer the following questions briefly.

- 1. Name two physical therapies used in mental disorders.
- ② **Answer Key:** Two physical therapies used in mental disorders are Psychopharmacology and Electro Convulsive Therapy (ECT).
- 2. List any four psychosocial therapies.

- ② **Answer Key:** Four psychosocial therapies include Group therapy, Family therapy, Therapeutic Community, Recreational therapy, Art therapy (Dance, Music etc), and Occupational therapy. (Any four are acceptable).
- 3. Mention the types of psychological therapies covered in mental health nursing.
- ② **Answer Key:** Psychological therapies mentioned are Psychotherapy, Behaviour therapy, and Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT).
- 4. What are alternative and complementary therapies in mental health? Give examples.
- ② **Answer Key:** Alternative and complementary therapies include approaches like Yoga, Meditation, and Relaxation.

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### Part C: Five-Mark Essay Questions

**Instructions:** Answer the following questions in detail.

- 1. Discuss the various psychological therapies used in mental disorders and the role of the nurse in their application.
  - 2 Answer Key:
- ☑ Introduction to Psychological Therapies: Psychological therapies are a category of treatment modalities used in mental disorders.
- **Types of Psychological Therapies:** The sources specifically mention Psychotherapy, Behaviour therapy, and Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT).
  - Psychotherapy: A broad term referring to various forms of "talk therapy".
  - Behaviour Therapy: Focuses on changing maladaptive behaviors.
- **Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT):** A common type of psychological treatment that helps patients understand the thoughts and feelings that influence behaviors.
- Problem Role of the Nurse: While the source states "role of the nurse" in the unit title, it doesn't detail the specific role for each therapy within Unit V's content description. However, the overall course description indicates that the course aims to develop skill in applying the nursing process in assessment and care of patients with mental health disorders, and applying nursing process in delivering care to patients with mental disorders. Therefore, the nurse's role would generally involve:
- **Assisting in implementation:** Nurses assist in the implementation of these therapies as part of the overall care plan.
- **Patient Education:** Educating patients about their therapy, what to expect, and reinforcing therapeutic techniques.

- **Monitoring and Observation:** Observing patient responses to therapy, identifying progress or challenges.
- Therapeutic Communication: Utilizing therapeutic communication to support the patient throughout their psychological therapy journey.
  - **Collaboration:** Collaborating with the mental health team to ensure integrated care.
- 2. Elaborate on the physical therapies utilized in the management of mental disorders, and describe the nurse's responsibilities.

### 2 Answer Key:

☑ Introduction to Physical Therapies: Physical therapies are an important category of treatment modalities for mental disorders.

### 2 Types of Physical Therapies:

- **Psychopharmacology:** This involves the use of medications to manage symptoms of mental disorders. Nurses are crucial in administering and monitoring these medications.
- **Electro Convulsive Therapy (ECT):** A procedure involving a brief electrical stimulation of the brain while the patient is under anesthesia.

### **Nurse's Responsibilities/Role:**

- **Assessment:** Conducting mental health assessment, including history taking and physical assessment, before and after physical therapies.
- Administration of Medications: Properly administering psychopharmacological agents, monitoring for side effects, and educating patients about their medications.
- **Assisting in ECT:** Preparing patients for ECT, assisting during the procedure, and providing post-procedure care and monitoring.
- **Patient and Family Education:** Educating patients and their families about the purpose, procedure, potential benefits, and side effects of physical therapies.
- **Monitoring Patient Response:** Continuously observing and documenting the patient's response to therapy, including therapeutic effects and any adverse reactions.
- Therapeutic Communication: Maintaining therapeutic communication to address patient anxieties and provide emotional support.
- **Collaboration:** Working as part of the mental health team to ensure safe and effective delivery of physical therapies.

### **VI UNIT**

Sample Multiple Choice Questions (MCQs) - (Assuming 2 marks each)

- 1. Which of the following is **not** typically considered an etiological factor in Schizophrenia according to a bio-psycho-social framework? a) Genetic predisposition b) Neurotransmitter imbalances (e.g., dopamine hypothesis) c) Severe childhood trauma d) Low socioeconomic status
- ② Note: The content for Unit VI lists "Etiology, psychodynamics, clinical manifestation, diagnostic criteria/formulations" as a key area. The course also mentions "Etiology bio-psycho-social factors" generally in Unit II.
- 2. Which assessment tool is specifically mentioned for evaluating a patient's cognitive and psychological status within the broader mental health assessment? a) Complete Blood Count b) Electroencephalogram (EEG) c) Mental Status Examination (MSE) d) Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)
- 2 Note: Unit III details "Mental Status Examination" as part of mental health assessment, which is applied in nursing assessment for Unit VI.

### Sample 5-Mark Questions

- 1. Briefly explain the **etiological factors and psychodynamics** of Schizophrenia as covered in mental health nursing.
- ② Note: Unit VI specifically lists "Etiology, psychodynamics, clinical manifestation, diagnostic criteria/formulations" as content to be described.
- 2. Discuss the key aspects of **nursing assessment** for a patient presenting with a psychotic disorder.
- 2 Note: Unit VI includes "Nursing Assessment: History, Physical and mental assessment" as a core component.
- 3. Identify and briefly describe **two treatment modalities** commonly used in the management of patients with schizophrenia and the nurse's role in each.
- ② Note: Unit VI covers "Treatment modalities and nursing management of patients with Schizophrenia and other psychotic disorders", and Unit V details "Physical therapies" like psychopharmacology and ECT, and "Psychological Therapies".

### Sample Essay Question

- 1. Elaborate on the nursing management of a patient diagnosed with Schizophrenia. Your answer should include a discussion of the nursing process from assessment findings and relevant treatment modalities/therapies to follow-up, home care, and rehabilitation strategies, also considering any geriatric or special population considerations.
- ② Note: This question directly addresses the core learning outcomes and content of Unit VI, which includes describing etiology, clinical manifestations, diagnostic criteria, and management, as well as applying the nursing process, considering special populations, and follow-up/rehabilitation. The course competencies also state students should be able to "Provide nursing care to patients with schizophrenia and other psychotic disorders based on assessment findings and treatment/therapies used".

Again, please remember that these questions are illustrative and crafted based on the syllabus content, not derived from a past examination paper, and no answer key is available in the provided sources.

#### VII UNIT

1. Multiple Choice Question (2 Marks)

**Question:** Which of the following conditions are explicitly categorized under "**Mood disorders**" in the "Mental Health Nursing - I" syllabus for Unit VII?

a) Schizophrenia and other psychotic disorders b) Anxiety disorders and Phobias c) **Bipolar affective disorder, mania, depression, and dysthymia** d) Substance abuse disorders and dissociative disorders

Answer Key: c) Bipolar affective disorder, mania, depression, and dysthymia

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2. Five-Mark Question

**Question:** Briefly outline the key components of **nursing assessment** for a patient presenting with a **mood disorder**.

**Answer Key:** For a patient with a mood disorder, the nursing assessment involves a comprehensive evaluation of various aspects, as guided by the course syllabus:

- **History Taking**: This includes gathering a detailed personal and family history, focusing on psychiatric history, previous episodes, treatments, psychosocial stressors, and coping mechanisms.
- **Physical Assessment**: A thorough physical examination is essential to rule out any underlying medical conditions contributing to the mood symptoms and to assess the patient's general health status.
- Mental Assessment (Mental Status Examination MSE): This systematic evaluation assesses the patient's current mental state, covering areas such as:
  - ② **Appearance and Behavior**: Grooming, posture, activity level.
  - **Speech**: Rate, volume, and coherence.
  - **Mood and Affect**: Subjective feeling state and objective emotional expression.
  - 2 Thought Process and Content: Organization of thoughts, presence of delusions or suicidal ideation.
  - Perception: Presence of hallucinations.
  - **© Cognition**: Orientation, memory, concentration.
  - Insight and Judgment: Understanding of their illness and ability to make sound decisions.

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3. Essay Question

**Question:** Discuss the **etiology, clinical manifestations, and comprehensive nursing management** of patients with **mood disorders**, including **considerations for special populations** and the importance of **follow-up and rehabilitation**.

**Answer Key:** This essay question requires a detailed discussion covering multiple facets of mood disorders as outlined in Unit VII.

### 1. Etiology and Psychodynamics:

• Discuss the multi-faceted nature of the causes of mood disorders, which typically involve **bio-psychosocial factors**. This includes genetic predispositions, neurobiological imbalances (e.g., neurotransmitter dysfunction), psychological theories (e.g., learned helplessness, cognitive distortions), and social/environmental stressors.

### 2. Clinical Manifestations:

- Describe the characteristic signs and symptoms of different mood disorders, such as **Bipolar affective** disorder, mania, depression, and dysthymia:
- ② **Depression**: Persistent sadness, loss of interest/pleasure (anhedonia), changes in appetite or sleep, fatigue, feelings of worthlessness/guilt, difficulty concentrating, and suicidal ideation.
- ② Mania (in Bipolar Disorder): Elevated or irritable mood, inflated self-esteem (grandiosity), decreased need for sleep, increased talkativeness, racing thoughts, distractibility, increased goal-directed activity, and excessive involvement in pleasurable activities with high potential for painful consequences.
  - Dysthymia: Chronic, mild depression.

### 3. Comprehensive Nursing Management:

- **Nursing Assessment**: As detailed in the 5-mark question, this involves **history taking, physical assessment, and mental assessment** to formulate a nursing diagnosis and care plan.
- **Treatment Modalities**: The nurse's role in various therapies is crucial:
- ② **Physical Therapies**: Administering and monitoring **psychopharmacology** (antidepressants, mood stabilizers, anxiolytics) and assisting with other physical treatments like **Electro Convulsive Therapy (ECT)**.
- **Psychological Therapies**: Facilitating and supporting **psychotherapy**, **behavior therapy**, and **Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT)**.
- ② Psychosocial Interventions: Engaging patients in group therapy, family therapy, therapeutic community, and various recreational/occupational therapies to promote social skills and daily functioning.
- ② **Alternative & Complementary Therapies**: Encouraging the use of techniques like **yoga**, **meditation**, **and relaxation** as appropriate.

- **Patient Education**: Educating patients and families about the illness, medication adherence, side effects, warning signs of relapse, and healthy coping strategies.
- Therapeutic Communication and Relationship: Establishing and maintaining a therapeutic nursepatient relationship, using effective communication techniques, and managing therapeutic impasses.

### 4. Considerations for Special Populations:

• Address specific needs and adaptations required for **geriatric considerations**. For example, metabolism of medication, co-morbid physical health conditions, and social support systems in older adults. Nurses must adapt care to specific age groups or other vulnerable populations.

### 5. Importance of Follow-up, Home Care, and Rehabilitation:

- Emphasize the critical role of the nurse in ensuring **continuity of care** post-discharge. This includes:
- 2 **Follow-up visits**: Encouraging regular appointments to monitor progress, medication effectiveness, and side effects.
- ② **Home care**: Providing support and education for patients and families in the home setting to prevent relapse and promote recovery.
- ② **Rehabilitation**: Facilitating the patient's reintegration into the community, improving their functional abilities, and enhancing their quality of life through vocational training, social skill building, and support groups. This aims to help patients achieve their highest possible level of functioning and independence.

### VIII UNIT

### Part A: Multiple Choice Questions (2 Marks Each)

1. Which of the following disorders is explicitly mentioned under Anxiety disorders in Unit VIII? a) Bipolar Affective Disorder b) Schizophrenia c) **Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)** d) Dementia

### 2. Answer Key:

### 1. c) Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)

- 2 Rationale: Unit VIII's content explicitly lists "Anxiety disorders OCD, PTSD, Somatoform disorders, Phobias, Disassociative and Conversion disorders".
- 3. A core component of nursing assessment for patients with neurotic disorders, as outlined in Unit VIII, includes: a) Electro Convulsive Therapy (ECT) b) Psychopharmacology review c) **History, Physical, and Mental Assessment** d) Group Therapy participation
- 4. **Answer Key:** 2. **c) History, Physical, and Mental Assessment** \* *Rationale:* Unit VIII specifies "Nursing Assessment: History, Physical and mental assessment" as a key component for these patients.
- 5. The content of Unit VIII covers the management of patients with: a) Schizophrenia and other psychotic disorders b) Mood disorders like mania and depression c) **Neurotic, stress-related, and somatization disorders** d) Substance abuse disorders

6. **Answer Key:** 3. **c) Neurotic, stress-related, and somatization disorders** \* *Rationale:* The primary focus of Unit VIII's learning outcomes and content is "Nursing management of patient with neurotic, stress related and somatisation disorders".

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### Part B: Two-Mark Questions

**Instructions:** Answer briefly.

- 1. List two specific types of anxiety disorders mentioned in Unit VIII.
- ② **Answer Key:** Two types of anxiety disorders mentioned in Unit VIII include **Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder (OCD)** and **Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)**. Other acceptable answers are Somatoform disorders, Phobias, Dissociative disorders, and Conversion disorders.
- 2. Name two considerations for specific patient populations when managing neurotic disorders, as per Unit VIII.
- ② **Answer Key:** Unit VIII mentions **Geriatric considerations** and **considerations for special populations**.
- 3. What are the key aspects covered under "Nursing Assessment" for patients with neurotic, stress-related, and somatization disorders?
- ② Answer Key: The key aspects of Nursing Assessment include History, Physical, and Mental Assessment.

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### **Part C: Five-Mark Essay Questions**

**Instructions:** Answer any two of the following questions in detail.

- 1. Discuss the **etiology, psychodynamics, and clinical manifestations** of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) as covered in the context of Unit VIII.
  - 2 Answer Key:
    - ☑ Introduction: Briefly define PTSD as an anxiety disorder.
- **Etiology:** Explain the factors contributing to PTSD development, which are often related to traumatic experiences, aligning with the "etiology, psychodynamics" content.
- Psychodynamics: Discuss the psychological processes involved, such as defense mechanisms and coping styles that might lead to maladaptive behavior, drawing from the "psychodynamics" aspect of the unit.
- ② **Clinical Manifestations:** Describe the various signs and symptoms observed in patients with PTSD, including re-experiencing the trauma, avoidance, negative alterations in cognition and mood, and alterations in arousal and reactivity, as part of "clinical manifestation".

**© Conclusion:** Briefly summarize the interplay of these factors in understanding PTSD. 2. Explain the nursing management of a patient with an anxiety disorder, focusing on the assessment findings and various treatment modalities/therapies mentioned in Unit VIII. 2 Answer Key: Introduction: Briefly introduce anxiety disorders as a category under neurotic disorders. 2 Nursing Assessment: Detail the steps in nursing assessment, including History, Physical, and Mental Assessment, highlighting what specific information a nurse would gather for an anxiety disorder. This would include identifying clinical manifestations and diagnostic criteria. 2 Treatment Modalities and Therapies: Discuss various treatment approaches applicable to anxiety disorders (as broadly mentioned in the course content, and applied to Unit VIII's focus), such as: • Psychopharmacology (if relevant to anxiety treatment, drawing from Unit V's general treatment modalities). • Psychological Therapies like Psychotherapy, Behaviour therapy, and CBT (relevant for anxiety, drawing from Unit V's general treatments). • Alternative & Complementary therapies such as Yoga, Meditation, and Relaxation. 2 Nursing Management Role: Describe the nurse's role in applying these modalities, providing nursing care, and considering **geriatric considerations/considerations for special populations**. 2 Follow-up and Rehabilitation: Touch upon the importance of follow-up and home care and rehabilitation. 3. Describe the **classification of neurotic, stress-related, and somatization disorders** as per Unit VIII, and discuss their prevalence and incidence. 2 Answer Key: 2 **Introduction:** Define neurotic, stress-related, and somatization disorders as a group of mental health conditions. 2 Classification: Detail the specific disorders mentioned under this category in Unit VIII, which include Anxiety disorders (OCD, PTSD, Phobias), Somatoform disorders, Dissociative disorders, **and Conversion disorders**. Explain briefly what each category entails. 2 Prevalence and Incidence: Discuss the concepts of prevalence and incidence in relation to these disorders, noting that Unit VIII specifically includes these as content to be covered. While specific

statistics are not provided in the source, the expectation is to understand what these terms mean and

Conclusion: Summarize the importance of understanding classification, prevalence, and incidence

their relevance to the disorders.

for effective nursing management.

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# UNIT -I

**Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ)** 

and drug and drug assay)

substance and requires increasingly larger doses to achieve the same effect?			
🛮 a) Substance Use			
🛮 b) Abuse			
2 c) Tolerance			
2 d) Withdrawal			
2 (Relevant content: Terminologies: Substance Use, Abuse, Tolerance, Dependence, Withdrawal)			
• 2. Which of the following is NOT a primary component of the nursing assessment for a patient with a substance use disorder, as outlined in the course content?			
② a) Substance history			
2 b) Physical assessment			
2 c) Mental assessment			
2 d) Financial status assessment			
2 (Relevant content: Nursing Assessment: History (substance history), Physical, mental assessment			

• 3. What is a key treatment modality mentioned for substance use disorders that aims to reduce or eliminate the substance from the body, often accompanied by medical supervision for withdrawal symptoms?

2 a) Refusal skills training	
2 b) Detoxification	
2 c) Maintenance therapy	
2 d) Brief interventions	
② (Relevant content: Treatment (detoxification, antabuse and narcotic antagonist therapy and harm reduction, Brief interventions, MET, refusal skills, maintenance therapy))	
Two Marks Questions	
• 1. List two commonly used psychotropic substance classifications.	
② (Relevant content: Commonly used psychotropic substance: classifications)	
• 2. Differentiate between 'Substance Use' and 'Substance Abuse' as terminologies related to substance use disorder.	
② (Relevant content: Terminologies: Substance Use, Abuse)	
• 3. State two components of nursing assessment for patients with substance use disorders.	
🛮 (Relevant content: Nursing Assessment: History (substance history), Physical, mental assessment and drug and drug assay)	
Five Marks Essay Questions	
• 1. Outline the essential components of nursing management for patients undergoing detoxification from substance use disorders, including special considerations.	
② (Relevant content: Treatment (detoxification, antabuse and narcotic antagonist therapy and harm reduction, Brief interventions, MET, refusal skills, maintenance therapy) and nursing management of patients with substance use disorders; Special considerations for vulnerable population)	
• 2. Describe the psychodynamics/etiology of substance use disorder, explaining the key terminologies such as 'Tolerance', 'Dependence', and 'Withdrawal'.	
② (Relevant content: Psychodynamics/etiology of substance use disorder (Terminologies: Substance Use, Abuse, Tolerance, Dependence, Withdrawal))	
• 3. Explain the diagnostic criteria for substance use disorders and detail the comprehensive nursing assessment process for these patients.	
② (Relevant content: Diagnostic criteria/formulations; Nursing Assessment: History (substance history), Physical, mental assessment and drug and drug assay)	

**Regarding an Answer Key:** As these questions are formulated based on the course content and are not from a specific past paper, an official answer key cannot be provided. However, the correct answers to these questions would be directly found within the "Content" section for Unit I of the "Mental Health Nursing - II" course ooutline.

### **UNIT II**

Multiple Choice Question (MCQ)

**Question:** Which of the following is **not** explicitly listed as a component of Nursing Assessment for patients with Personality and Sexual Disorders in Unit II? a) History b) Physical assessment c) Mental health assessment d) **Drug and drug assay** 

**Explanation for choice (d):** While history, physical, and mental health assessments are specified for personality and sexual disorders, "drug and drug assay" is mentioned under the Nursing Assessment for Substance Use Disorders in Unit I.

Two Marks Questions

- 1. List two key areas covered under the content for "Nursing Management of Patient with Personality and Sexual Disorders" according to the course outline.
- ② (Examples: Prevalence and incidence, Classification of disorders, Etiology, Psychopathology, Characteristics, Diagnosis, Nursing Assessment, Treatment modalities, Geriatric considerations, Follow-up and home care, Rehabilitation)
- 2. Identify two distinct types of assessment specified for the nursing management of patients with personality and sexual disorders.
  - (Answer: History, Physical assessment, Mental health assessment)

**Five Marks Questions** 

- 1. Discuss the comprehensive content areas involved in understanding the "Etiology, psychopathology, characteristics, and diagnosis" of personality and sexual disorders as outlined in Unit II.
  - ② (Requires elaboration on each of these terms in the context of the disorders).
- 2. Explain the significance of "Follow-up and home care and rehabilitation" in the nursing management of patients with personality and sexual disorders, referencing its inclusion in the course content.
  - [2] (Requires discussion of why these ongoing care aspects are crucial for long-term patient outcomes).

**Essay Question** 

1. Elaborate on the holistic approach to the "Nursing Management of Patient with Personality and Sexual Disorders," encompassing the prevalence and incidence, classification, etiology, psychopathology, characteristics, diagnostic criteria, detailed

nursing assessment, various treatment modalities, and the specific considerations for geriatric populations. Conclude by emphasizing the importance of follow-up, home care, and rehabilitation as integral parts of long-term care

UNIT III

### Hypothetical Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ) (Likely 1 mark each in an exam)

- 1. Which of the following is NOT typically classified as a behavioural and emotional disorder occurring during childhood and adolescence in this curriculum? a) Intellectual disability b) Autism spectrum disorder c) Delirium d) Attention deficit hyperactive disorder
- 2. (Note: Delirium is listed under Organic Brain Disorders in Unit IV, not Unit III).
- 3. A key component of nursing assessment for childhood disorders, as per the course outline, includes:
- a) Antabuse therapy assessment b) IQ assessment c) Substance history d) Neurological assessment for amnestic disorders
- 4. (Note: IQ assessment is specific to childhood disorders in Unit III, while other options relate to other units).

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### **Hypothetical Two-Marks Questions (Short Answer Type)**

- 1. List two commonly recognized behavioural and emotional disorders occurring during childhood mentioned in the course content.
- 2. **Define Intellectual Disability** as it relates to childhood disorders.
- 3. **Identify two crucial aspects of nursing assessment** for a child presenting with a behavioural disorder.
- 4. **State the primary goal of nursing management** for children with Attention Deficit Hyperactive Disorder.
- 5. **Briefly explain the role of follow-up care** in the management of adolescent eating disorders.

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### Hypothetical Five-Marks Questions (Short Answer / Short Essay Type)

- 1. **Describe the etiology and psychodynamics** of Autism Spectrum Disorder in children.
- 2. **Elaborate on the clinical manifestations** that a nurse might observe in a child diagnosed with Attention Deficit Hyperactive Disorder.
- 3. **Explain the diagnostic criteria** for learning disorders in adolescence.
- 4. **Discuss the key components of nursing assessment** for a child with suspected intellectual disability, as outlined in the course.

5. <b>Outline the principles of nursing management</b> for an adolescent experiencing an eating disorder, including considerations for follow-up.
Hypothetical Essay Question (Long Answer Type)
1. Critically discuss the etiology, clinical manifestations, and comprehensive nursing management strategies for a patient diagnosed with an Intellectual Disability or Autism Spectrum Disorder during childhood. Include details on nursing assessment, treatment modalities, and the importance of follow-up care and rehabilitation.
UNIT IV
Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ)
1. Which of the following is explicitly classified as an organic brain disorder within Unit IV's content? a) Schizophrenia b) Bipolar Disorder c) Delirium d) Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder
Answer Key: c) Delirium
2. A comprehensive nursing assessment for organic brain disorders, as per Unit IV, includes which of the following? a) Solely mental assessment b) Only physical assessment c) History, Physical, Mental, and Neurological assessment d) Primarily genetic testing
Answer Key: c) History, Physical, Mental, and Neurological assessment
Two Marks Questions (Short Answer)
1. List two examples of organic brain disorders addressed in Unit IV.
<b>Answer Key:</b> Two examples of organic brain disorders include <b>Delirium</b> and <b>Dementia</b> . (Amnestic disorders are also listed).
2. State two key areas of nursing assessment crucial for patients with organic brain disorders.
<b>Answer Key:</b> Two key areas of nursing assessment for patients with organic brain disorders are <b>mental</b> and <b>neurological assessment</b> . (History and Physical assessment are also included).
Five Marks Questions (Brief Descriptive)

1. Outline the key content areas discussed under "Nursing Management of Organic Brain Disorders" in Unit IV.

**Answer Key:** The key content areas under "Nursing Management of Organic Brain Disorders" include:

- Prevalence and incidence of these disorders.
- Their classification.
- Etiology, psychopathology, clinical features, diagnosis, and differential diagnosis.
- Nursing Assessment, which comprises History, Physical, Mental, and Neurological assessment.
- Treatment modalities and nursing management of organic brain disorders.
- Follow-up and home care and rehabilitation.
- 2. Briefly explain the concept of nursing management for organic brain disorders as covered in Unit IV.

**Answer Key:** Nursing management of organic brain disorders, such as Delirium, Dementia, and amnestic disorders, involves a comprehensive approach. It begins with a thorough **nursing assessment**, which includes gathering the patient's history, conducting physical, mental, and neurological assessments. Based on the diagnostic criteria and clinical features, nurses implement **treatment modalities** and provide direct nursing care. This management also extends to planning for **follow-up**, **home care**, **and rehabilitation** to support the patient's long-term well-being. The aim is to address the etiology, psychopathology, and clinical manifestations of these conditions effectively.

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### **Essay Question**

Discuss comprehensively the nursing management of patients with organic brain disorders, detailing the essential components of assessment, treatment modalities, and long-term care considerations as presented in Unit IV.

**Answer Key:** To provide a comprehensive answer, the essay should cover the following points from Unit IV:

### Introduction:

- Briefly introduce organic brain disorders (Delirium, Dementia, amnestic disorders) as conditions requiring specialized nursing management.
- Mention the unit's focus on etiology, psychopathology, clinical manifestations, diagnostic criteria, and management.

### I. Assessment in Nursing Management:

- **Nursing Assessment:** Explain that this is a multi-faceted process.
  - ☐ **History**: Emphasize the importance of collecting a detailed patient history.
  - **Physical Assessment:** Describe the necessity of a physical examination.

- 2 **Mental Assessment:** Detail the role of mental status examination in identifying cognitive and behavioral changes.
- 2 **Neurological Assessment:** Highlight its critical importance in diagnosing organic brain disorders and monitoring neurological status.
- Mention the importance of understanding prevalence, incidence, classification, etiology, psychopathology, clinical features, diagnosis, and differential diagnosis as foundational knowledge for assessment.

### II. Treatment Modalities and Nursing Management:

- **Treatment Modalities:** Discuss the various approaches to treatment, acknowledging that specific modalities will depend on the type and severity of the organic brain disorder (e.g., pharmacological, non-pharmacological interventions).
- Nursing Management: Elaborate on the nurse's role in:
  - Implementing prescribed treatments.
  - Managing acute symptoms like agitation, confusion, or behavioral disturbances.
  - Ensuring patient safety and comfort.
  - Providing a therapeutic environment.
  - Educating patients and their families about the disorder and its management.
  - 2 Addressing specific challenges related to Delirium, Dementia, and amnestic disorders.

### III. Long-Term Care Considerations: Follow-up and Rehabilitation:

- **Follow-up:** Discuss the importance of ongoing monitoring and regular evaluations to track the progression of the disorder and the effectiveness of interventions.
- **Home Care:** Explain the role of nurses in preparing patients and families for home care, including medication management, safety precautions, and support systems.
- **Rehabilitation:** Describe the rehabilitation efforts aimed at maximizing the patient's functional abilities, promoting independence, and improving their quality of life. This can include cognitive retraining, occupational therapy, and other supportive therapies.

### **Conclusion:**

- Summarize the holistic and continuous nature of nursing management for organic brain disorders, emphasizing the nurse's pivotal role from initial assessment through long-term care and rehabilitation.
- Reiterate the goal of improving patient outcomes and supporting families coping with these challenging conditions.

### **UNIT V**

### MCQ Question (Objective Type - 2 Marks)

**Question 1:** Which of the following is explicitly identified as a type of psychiatric emergency in Unit V? A) Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder B) Generalized Anxiety Disorder C) Bipolar Affective Disorder D) **Delirium Tremens** 

### **Answer Key: D) Delirium Tremens**

**Explanation:** The content for Unit V lists "delirium tremens" alongside attempted suicide, violence/aggression, and stupor as types of psychiatric emergencies. The other options are general psychiatric disorders but not specifically categorized as "emergencies" in the context of this unit's list.

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### Two-Mark Question (Short Answer Type)

**Question 1:** List any two types of crises mentioned in Unit V and briefly describe the focus of "coping enhancement" as an intervention.

**Answer Key:** Two types of crises mentioned in Unit V are **stress** and **disaster(s)**, in addition to the general concept of "crisis" itself.

**Coping enhancement** is an intervention specifically listed under stress reduction interventions as per the stress adaptation model. Its focus is to **improve an individual's ability to manage and adapt to stressful situations** by strengthening their coping mechanisms and resources. This might involve teaching new skills, reinforcing existing ones, or facilitating access to supportive networks.

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### **Five-Mark Essay Question**

(Note: "Essay" is not explicitly listed as an assessment method for Unit V in the provided source; however, this question is designed to prompt a more comprehensive discussion often expected in higher-mark academic assessments.)

**Question 1:** Discuss the **principles and techniques of crisis intervention** as outlined in Unit V, and explain how these interventions are applied in managing **violence/aggression** as a psychiatric emergency.

### Answer Key (Outline of expected points):

### • Introduction to Crisis Intervention:

2 Briefly define crisis intervention as a short-term, immediate response to help individuals in an acute state of psychological disequilibrium due to a stressful event or psychiatric emergency.

2 State its primary goal: to restore the individual to their pre-crisis level of functioning or improve it.

### • Principles of Crisis Intervention:

Immediacy: Intervening as soon as possible after the crisis event.
☑ Focus on the Present: Addressing the immediate problem and the individual's current feelings and thoughts, rather than long-standing issues.
2 Active and Directive Role: The intervener often takes a more active, guiding role.
2 Support: Providing emotional support and reassurance.
2 Goal-Oriented: Focused on specific, achievable goals related to resolving the crisis.
2 <b>Time-Limited:</b> Typically brief, focusing on stabilization and referral if needed.
Promoting Self-Reliance: Empowering the individual to utilize their own coping skills and resources.
• Techniques of Crisis Intervention:
② <b>Assessment:</b> Rapid evaluation of the situation, the individual's mental state, risk (e.g., to self or others), and available resources/support systems.
② <b>Listening and Empathy:</b> Allowing the individual to express feelings and demonstrating understanding.
Problem-Solving: Collaboratively identifying the problem and exploring potential solutions or coping strategies.
Providing Information/Education: Clarifying misconceptions and offering practical advice.
② <b>Linking to Resources:</b> Connecting the individual with appropriate follow-up care, support groups, or community services.
2 <b>Reframing:</b> Helping the individual see the situation from a different, less overwhelming perspective.
• Application in Managing Violence/Aggression as a Psychiatric Emergency:
2 <b>Safety First:</b> Prioritize the safety of the patient, staff, and other individuals. This may involve removing potential weapons or moving to a safe environment.
2 De-escalation Techniques:
② <b>Verbal De-escalation:</b> Using a calm, non-confrontational tone; active listening; validating feelings; setting clear, firm limits; offering choices; and reducing environmental stimuli.
2 Non-verbal Cues: Maintaining a safe distance, open body language, avoiding aggressive postures.
② <b>Assessment:</b> Identify triggers for the aggression, any underlying psychiatric conditions (e.g., psychosis, delirium tremens), substance use, or environmental factors.

Pharmacological Interventions: Administering rapid tranquilization if necessary and prescribed,

to ensure safety and reduce agitation.

- 2 **Physical Restraint/Seclusion:** As a last resort, when other methods fail and there's a significant risk of harm, under strict protocols and supervision.
- ② **Post-crisis Debriefing:** After the aggressive episode, discuss the event with the patient (when calm) and staff to understand what happened, prevent future occurrences, and ensure appropriate follow-up care.
- **Conclusion:** Emphasize that effective crisis intervention for violence/aggression requires a combination of rapid assessment, skilled communication, and often a multi-modal approach to ensure safety and address the immediate crisis, aiming for stabilization and a pathway to continued care.

### **UNIT VI**

### 2 Marks:

1. Which of the following acts specifically details the admission and discharge procedures for mental health clients in Unit VI's content? a) Indian Lunacy Act b) The Mental Health Act 1987 c) **Mental Health Care Act (MHCA) 2017** d) Protection of Children from Sexual Offence (POSCO) Act

Two-Marks Questions (Short Answer Type)

### For 2 Marks each:

- 1. List two significant legal acts related to mental health nursing that are discussed in Unit VI.
- 2. Briefly state one key right of mentally ill clients as mentioned in the legal context of Unit VI.
- 3. Name two areas where nurses have roles and responsibilities in implementing the Mental Health Care Act (MHCA) 2017.

Five-Marks Questions (Short Answer Type)

### For 5 Marks each:

- 1. Elaborate on the **rights of mentally ill clients** as outlined in the legal frameworks discussed in Unit VI.
- 2. Discuss the **role and responsibilities of nurses** in implementing the Mental Health Care Act (MHCA) 2017, covering at least two key aspects.
- 3. Explain the importance of understanding acts related to **narcotic and psychotropic substances and illegal drug trafficking** for a mental health nurse.

**Essay Question** 

### For 10-15 Marks:

 Discuss the evolution of mental health legislation in India, comparing and contrasting the overview of the Indian Lunacy Act and The Mental Health Act 1987 with the detailed provisions and impact of the Mental Health Care Act (MHCA) 2017. Further, elaborate on the specific **roles and responsibilities of nurses** in implementing the MHCA 2017 and how it affects their practice in mental health settings.

Question (Objective Type)

### For 2 Marks:

1. Which of the following acts primarily details the **admission and discharge procedures** for mental health clients according to the content of Unit VI? a) Indian Lunacy Act b) The Mental Health Act 1987 c) **Mental Health Care Act (MHCA) 2017** d) Protection of Children from Sexual Offence (POSCO) Act

### **Answer Key:**

1. c) Mental Health Care Act (MHCA) 2017	

Two-Marks Questions (Short Answer Type)

### For 2 Marks each:

- 1. List two significant legal acts related to mental health nursing mentioned in Unit VI, other than the Mental Health Care Act (MHCA) 2017.
- 2. According to Unit VI, what is one key general right that mentally ill clients possess?
- 3. Name two specific responsibilities or actions of nurses related to the implementation of the Mental Health Care Act (MHCA) 2017, as per Unit VI.

### **Answer Key:**

- 1. Two significant legal acts related to mental health nursing (other than MHCA 2017) are:
  - **2** Indian Lunacy Act
  - The Mental Health Act 1987
- ② (Also acceptable: Protection of Children from Sexual Offence (POSCO) Act, or Acts related to narcotic and psychotropic substances and illegal drug trafficking)
- 2. One key general right of mentally ill clients, as per Unit VI's content, is the "Rights of mentally ill clients". (The source lists the category, implying the existence and importance of these rights).
- 3. Two specific responsibilities/actions of nurses related to implementing MHCA 2017 are:
  - **Performing admission and discharge procedures as per MHCA 2017**.
- Understanding and fulfilling the role and responsibilities of nurses in implementing MHCA 2017 (which inherently includes upholding patient rights and adhering to the act's provisions).

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Five-Marks Questions (Short Answer Type)

### For 5 Marks each:

- 1. Elaborate on the importance of understanding the "Rights of mentally ill clients" for mental health nurses, as discussed in the context of legal issues in Unit VI.
- 2. Discuss the **role and responsibilities of nurses in implementing the Mental Health Care Act (MHCA) 2017**, citing at least two key aspects from Unit VI's content.
- 3. Explain the significance for a mental health nurse to be aware of "Acts related to narcotic and psychotropic substances and illegal drug trafficking" within the scope of legal issues as covered in Unit VI.

### **Answer Key:**

- 1. Importance of understanding "Rights of mentally ill clients":
  - Unit VI explicitly includes "Rights of mentally ill clients" as a content area.
- ② Understanding these rights is crucial for mental health nurses to **ensure ethical and legally compliant care delivery**.
- It enables nurses to **advocate for and protect vulnerable patients**, ensuring they receive care that respects their autonomy and dignity.
- It helps nurses adhere to the patient-centric approach of modern mental health legislation, particularly the **Mental Health Care Act (MHCA) 2017**, which emphasizes these rights.
- This knowledge underpins the nurse's professional responsibility within the legal framework of mental health settings.
- 2. Role and responsibilities of nurses in implementing MHCA 2017:
  - Unit VI directly covers the "Role and responsibilities of nurses in implementing MHCA 2017".
- ② One key responsibility is to perform "admission and discharge procedures as per MHCA 2017", ensuring legal protocols are followed.
- ② Nurses are also responsible for understanding and applying the general **legal aspects in mental health settings**, which includes upholding the **"Rights of mentally ill clients"** as defined by the MHCA 2017. This implies ensuring informed consent, preventing illegal detention, and facilitating care in line with the act's provisions.
- Their role extends to ensuring legal compliance in their day-to-day interactions and interventions with patients under the purview of this comprehensive act.
- 3. Significance of awareness of "Acts related to narcotic and psychotropic substances and illegal drug trafficking":
- ② Unit VI includes "Acts related to narcotic and psychotropic substances and illegal drug trafficking" as part of legal issues.

- 2 This awareness is vital because mental health nurses often care for patients with **substance use disorders** (a topic covered in Unit I).
  - It helps nurses to:
    - **© Comply with legal frameworks** concerning controlled substances and psychotropic medications.
    - **Ensure proper handling, administration, and documentation** of these medications.
- Identify and appropriately respond to illegal drug activities within clinical settings, which can have significant legal ramifications.
- 2 Contribute to forensic psychiatry and nursing by understanding the legal implications of drug-related behaviors and mental health.
- Provide legally informed care and education to patients, contributing to harm reduction and rehabilitation.

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**Essay Question** 

#### For 10-15 Marks:

1. Critically analyze the evolution of mental health legislation in India by discussing the **overview of the Indian Lunacy Act and The Mental Health Act 1987** in comparison with the detailed provisions and patient-centric approach of the **Mental Health Care Act (MHCA) 2017**, as presented in Unit VI. Furthermore, elaborate on the **specific roles and responsibilities of nurses** in implementing the MHCA 2017 and how this contemporary act impacts their practice in mental health settings.

### **Answer Key:**

- 1. Analysis of Mental Health Legislation Evolution and Nurse's Role:
- ② **Evolution of Legislation**: The answer should begin by outlining the "Overview of Indian Lunacy Act and The Mental Health Act 1987". Key points for these earlier acts might include their historical context, often custodial or institutional focus, and potentially less emphasis on individual rights. This should then be contrasted with the **Mental Health Care Act (MHCA) 2017**, highlighting its more progressive, rights-based, and patient-centric approach. The MHCA 2017 is intended to be comprehensive, moving away from a purely medical or custodial model to one that prioritizes the dignity and rights of individuals with mental illness.
- ② **Detailed Provisions of MHCA 2017**: The MHCA 2017's detailed provisions would include aspects like "Admission and discharge procedures as per MHCA 2017", which are explicitly listed in Unit VI's content. The Act's focus on "Rights of mentally ill clients" would be a central theme, differentiating it significantly from prior legislation.
- ☑ **Specific Roles and Responsibilities of Nurses**: Unit VI specifically covers the "Role and responsibilities of nurses in implementing MHCA 2017". This includes, but is not limited to:

- **Performing admission and discharge procedures** in strict accordance with the MHCA 2017.
- ② **Upholding and protecting the rights of mentally ill clients**, ensuring informed consent, preventing unlawful detention, and advocating for patient autonomy.
  - 2 Integrating **forensic psychiatry and nursing** principles where applicable.
- Ensuring compliance with "Acts related to narcotic and psychotropic substances and illegal drug trafficking" as they relate to patient care.
  - ② Overall, explaining and applying "legal aspects applied in mental health settings" in their practice.
  - ☑ **Impact on Nursing Practice**: The MHCA 2017 profoundly impacts nursing practice by:
- Mandating a rights-based approach to care, requiring nurses to be highly ethically and legally conscious.
- Requiring enhanced documentation and adherence to specific protocols for admissions, treatment, and discharges.
- ☑ Increasing the nurse's role in **patient advocacy** and ensuring the patient's voice is heard in treatment decisions.
- 2 Shifting focus towards **community-based care and rehabilitation**, requiring nurses to integrate legal aspects into a broader care continuum.
- ② Elevating the importance of legal literacy for all mental health nurses to avoid legal repercussions
  and ensure best practice.

## VII UNIT

Multiple Choice Questions (MCQ) – Two Marks Each

- 1. Which of the following concepts refers to the process of shifting mental health care from large institutional settings to community-based services? a) Institutionalization b)

  Deinstitutionalization c) Tertiary prevention d) National Health Policy
- 2. **Answer Key:** b) Deinstitutionalization **Explanation:** The content for Unit VII specifically lists "Institutionalization versus Deinstitutionalization" as a key topic in the development of Community Mental Health Services.
- 3. **Mental health services available at the primary level typically focus on:** a) Specialized psychiatric hospitals b) Long-term rehabilitation centers c) **Early detection and basic mental health care** d) International mental health agencies

- 4. **Answer Key:** c) Early detection and basic mental health care **Explanation:** Unit VII covers "Mental Health Services available at the primary, secondary, tertiary levels," with primary care generally being the first point of contact and focusing on basic services and prevention.
- 5. Which of these is a key component of the Model of Preventive Psychiatry as described in the unit? a) Crisis intervention techniques during emergencies b) Admission and discharge procedures as per MHCA 2017 c) Early intervention and promotion of mental well-being d) Management of substance use disorders
- 6. **Answer Key:** c) Early intervention and promotion of mental well-being **Explanation:** Unit VII's learning outcome includes describing the "Model of Preventive psychiatry," which fundamentally aims at preventing mental illness and promoting mental health.

**Five Marks Questions** 

- 1. Briefly explain the three levels of mental health services available in the community.
- 2. **Answer Key:** The three levels of mental health services available in the community are:
- ② **Primary Level:** Focuses on **promotion, prevention, and early identification** of mental health issues. This can include health education, screening for common mental disorders, and basic counseling services provided in general health settings like primary health centers.
- ② **Secondary Level:** Provides **early diagnosis and treatment** for individuals with identified mental health problems. This level includes outpatient clinics, general hospital psychiatric units, and consultation-liaison services, offering more specialized care than the primary level.
- ② Tertiary Level: Deals with long-term care, rehabilitation, and management of severe and persistent mental illnesses. This includes specialized psychiatric hospitals, rehabilitation centers, and community support programs designed to help individuals integrate back into society.
- 3. Describe the concept of 'Deinstitutionalization' and its impact on community mental health services.
- 4. **Answer Key: Deinstitutionalization** is a process that involves the movement of mental health care away from large, isolated mental institutions towards community-based treatment and support services. **Impact on community mental health services:**
- It led to the development and expansion of community mental health centers, outpatient clinics, and day programs.
  - Increased emphasis on rehabilitation and social integration of individuals with mental illness.
- 2 **Shifted the responsibility of care** from institutional staff to families and community support networks, requiring nurses to perform new roles in the community.
- ② Highlighted the need for **comprehensive mental health policies and programs** at national and local levels to support this shift.

different mental health agencies. 2. Answer Key (Key Points for an Essay): Introduction: Define the role of a community mental health nurse (CMHN) as a crucial professional in delivering care outside traditional hospital settings, emphasizing their focus on preventive, promotive, curative, and rehabilitative aspects within the community. Core Responsibilities and Services: 2 Assessment: Conducting holistic assessments, including mental status examination, identifying risk factors, and assessing social determinants of mental health. 2 **Planning and Implementation:** Developing individualized care plans, administering medications, providing psychoeducation to patients and families, and linking patients to resources. Crisis Intervention: Identifying psychiatric emergencies and carrying out crisis interventions, often under supervision, to stabilize individuals in acute distress within the community. Counselling and Therapy: Utilizing techniques of counseling and stress reduction interventions to enhance coping and manage maladaptive behaviors. 2 **Health Promotion and Prevention:** Implementing the model of preventive psychiatry by engaging in health education, early detection, and advocating for mental well-being across the lifespan. 2 **Referral and Follow-up:** Ensuring continuity of care through referrals to appropriate services (primary, secondary, tertiary) and conducting follow-up and home care visits for rehabilitation. **2** Involvement with Special Populations: 2 CMHNs address specific mental health nursing issues for **vulnerable groups** identified in the unit. 2 Children and Adolescence: Providing care for behavioral and emotional disorders, learning disorders, and developmental issues like autism and intellectual disability. Women and Elderly: Addressing unique mental health challenges prevalent in these demographics, such as postpartum depression, geriatric considerations in personality disorders, or dementia. 2 Victims of violence and abuse: Offering support and intervention for trauma-related mental health issues. 2 Handicapped, HIV/AIDS patients: Tailoring care to meet the specific mental health needs associated with chronic illness and disability.

1. Discuss the comprehensive roles and responsibilities of a community mental health nurse in delivering mental health services, including their involvement with special populations and

**Essay Question** 

Substance Use Disorders: Applying the nursing process for assessment, treatment (detoxification, harm reduction, maintenance therapy), and follow-up for vulnerable populations.

### **2** Collaboration with Mental Health Agencies:

- 2 Working with **Government agencies** to implement national mental health policies and programs.
- Collaborating with voluntary, national, and international mental health agencies to leverage resources and support for community mental health initiatives.
- Navigating legal aspects, including admission and discharge procedures as per MHCA 2017, and understanding the rights of mentally ill clients.
- ② Conclusion: Summarize the multifaceted and dynamic role of the CMHN as a cornerstone of
  community mental health services, essential for promoting mental well-being and managing psychiatric
  needs across diverse populations and settings