### OUTLINE

#### Antidepressants

- The many facets which impact depression such as neurotransmitter imbalances, life events, and environmental factors
- History of antidepressants, in terms of safety and efficacy of treatments
- Classes of antidepressants MAOIs, TCAs, SSRIs, SNRIs, SDRIs, other antidepressants, and serotonin modulators

#### Antipsychotics

- Targeted neurotransmitters DA, mechanism of action, DA pathways, D2 and 5Ht2A - why is this important?
- Typical vs. atypical what are the
- differences and how do we choose them? Adverse effects
- Off label indications
- Specific benefits of the class

#### Mood Stabilizers

- Targeted neurotransmitters/Mechanism of action
- Efficacy in treatment
- Adverse reactions
- Safety Importance of compliance and monitoring
- Off label indications
- Best in practice pearls

#### Anxiolytics

- 2nd line treatment vs. 1st line treatment - and reasons these might not be used as first line
- Targeted neurotransmitters/Mechanism of action

### **OBJECTIVES**

- 1. Recognize ways to conceptualize psychiatric symptomatology outside the box.
- 2. Evaluate common medical conditions that you may inadvertently diagnose as psychiatric in nature.
- 3. Analyze the 4 main neurotransmitters and how their imbalance influences different psychiatric disorders.
- 4. Compare efficacy of the newer class of serotonin modulators to the other widelyused antidepressant classes.

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Cautions and safety concerns associated

Safety - addiction and withdrawal

Classes of ADHD drugs and how they

Caution associated with controlled

Safety in children and use in adults

Psychopharmacology Treatment

• Challenging symptoms to treat, such as

Importance of a detailed history and

• Ruling out medical conditions that mimic

**Critical Considerations for** 

psychiatric conditions

review of symptoms

**Enlightening Case Studies** 

Neurotransmitters involved/Mechanism

with this class

Adverse effects

Stimulants

of action

substances

TBI and autism

Depression

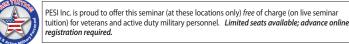
Bipolar

Schizophrenia

differ

- 5. Determine the best combination of psychotropic medications for the patient to achieve the desired level of improvement.
- 6. Learn strategic ways to customize treatment plans based on your patient's individual needs.

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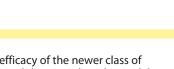
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#### **SPEAKER**

#### Stephanie L. Bunch, RN, MSN, ANP-C, PMHNP-C, works in a large

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From a clinical perspective, Stephanie has worked in a myriad of settings, including emergency medicine, primary care, and psychiatry, within a large urban hospital, community-based practice, clinics, and in a private-practice setting. Her transition from primary care to psychiatry evolved as a means of providing effective treatment for a growing population of underserved patients with psychiatric disorders.

Stephanie's commitment to her specialty is evident. She completed a post-graduate degree specializing in psychiatry at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, MD, earned her Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner certificate and is a requested presenter, sharing her expertise with multidisciplinary healthcare audiences throughout the country.

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