

P01-291 - PREVALENCE OF DIFFERENT SOMATOFORM DISORDERS IN PSYCHIATRIC CONSULTATIONS OF A GENERAL HOSPITAL: A 10-YEAR STUDY IN FARABI HOSPITAL

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Aim: To find the prevalence of different Somatoform Disorders (SDs) in psychiatric consultations to inpatients and outpatients of Farabi General Hospital(Kermanshah-Iran) in 10 years (from 1994 to 2004) and to define their demographic variables.

Methods: Any patient, who received an SD diagnosis by the consultants, was further assessed, using a two-phase design, for DSM-IV SD criteria.

Results: A total of 801 patients fulfilled diagnostic criteria for a DSM-IV SD. Among these 493(61.5%) had Conversion Disorder, 127(15.9%) Somatization Disorder, 117(14.6%) Hypochondriasis, 41(5.1%) a Body Dysmorphic Disorder and 23(2.9%) a Pain Disorder).Most of the patients were young, female, married and not educated more than primary school.

Conclusion: Somatoform Disorders are common in psychiatric consultations of General Hospitals. Internists, surgeons and other specialists need to be aware of these disorders.