

How to use this guide

The topic lists are broken into groups of diagnoses which are categorised according to symptoms and themes. My reason for presenting in this way is to help with the organisation of your knowledge. In addition, you need to identify the distinguishing features of the illness scripts that allow you to decipher between the differentials for presentations within these categories (note that some diagnoses may belong to multiple categories). To learn the distinguishing features, compare the illness scripts for the diagnoses within the categories. I have placed the diagnoses that I consider to be most important in bold. For each of the diagnoses you will need to know:

- Illness scripts (risk factors, symptoms and signs)
- Differential diagnoses
- Investigations
- Management

Below the topic lists you will find resources arranged by type: Guidelines, Therapeutic guidelines, How to treat, AJGP, AFP, Check, Others. I have also placed the most useful resources that cover, in my opinion, important topics in bold. There are too many resources to expect that you will read them all. You will need to prioritise based on 1) useful resources for important topics (in bold) 2) areas of your personal knowledge deficiency and 3) personal learning style preferences. Hope this helps!

<p><u>Mental health topics</u></p> <p>1) Anxiety Adjustment disorders Agoraphobia Generalised anxiety disorder Obsessive Compulsive Disorder Panic disorder Post-traumatic stress disorder Social anxiety disorder Specific phobia</p> <p>2) Depressed mood Bereavement/Grief Bipolar Affective Disorder Body dysmorphic disorder Cyclothymia Dysthymia Gender dysphoria Major Depression Perinatal depression Premenstrual dysphoric disorder</p> <p>3) Cognitive impairment in the elderly Alzheimer's disease Delirium Dementia, vascular Lewy body dementia</p>	<p>4) Drug abuse Amphetamine abuse Benzodiazepine dependence Marijuana abuse Opioid dependence Alcohol abuse disorder</p> <p>5) Eating disorders Anorexia nervosa Bulimia nervosa</p> <p>6) Psychosis Schizophrenia Bipolar affective disorder Major depression Drug abuse Korsakoff psychosis</p> <p>7) Miscellaneous Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder Autism Autism spectrum disorders Gambling disorder Hoarding disorder Insomnia Parasomnias Personality disorders</p>
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	Smoking Suicidal ideation and risk assessment Mental State Examination
Guidelines Clinical practice guidelines and principles of care for people with dementia in Australia 2016 https://cdpc.sydney.edu.au/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/CDPC-Dementia-Guidelines_WEB.pdf Supporting smoking cessation: a guide for health professionals http://www.racgp.org.au/your-practice/guidelines/smoking-cessation/ SNAP guideline http://www.racgp.org.au/your-practice/guidelines/snap/	
Therapeutic guidelines etc Pharmacological treatment of depression Subtypes of depression Assessing patients with depression Perinatal depression Recurrent depression Psychological treatment of depression Principles of treatment in depression Grief Bipolar depression Major depression in children and adolescents Psychotropic drug use during pregnancy Overview of bipolar disorder Generalised anxiety disorder Post traumatic mental health disorders Stimulants: problem use Principles of schizophrenia treatment Panic disorder Insomnia Anorexia nervosa Overview of schizophrenia	Alcohol: problem use Other psychoactive drugs: problem use The 5As framework for stopping smoking ADHD Diagnosis and features of dementia Bulimia nervosa Overview and management of gambling problems Anxiety disorders in children and adolescents therapy for psychiatric illness Management of delirium Treatment for cognitive impairment in dementia Overview of anxiety disorders OCD Overview of eating disorders Overview of alcohol and drug problems Opioids problem use Cannabis problem use Varenicline for stopping smoking Bupropion for stopping smoking
Healthpathways (contact your local PHN for website link and password) ADHD in children and youth Antipsychotic medications Anxiety in adults Chronic opioid use and deprescribing Cognitive Impairment and Dementia Depression in adults Involuntary assessment Medications for Moderate or Severe Anxiety in Adults Post-traumatic Stress Disorder Psychosis Screening and prevention of dementia Suicide risk in adults	
Australian Journal of General practice Chronic pain: Overlap and specificity in multimorbidity management https://www1.racgp.org.au/ajgp/2019/october/chronic-pain	

The six Rs of managing high-risk opioid prescribing

<https://www1.racgp.org.au/ajgp/2020/march/high-risk-opioid-prescribing>

Insomnia theory and assessment

<https://www1.racgp.org.au/ajgp/2019/april/insomnia-theory-and-assessment>

Insomnia management

<https://www1.racgp.org.au/ajgp/2019/april/insomnia-management>

Current approaches to the pharmacological treatment of Alzheimer's disease

<https://www1.racgp.org.au/AJGP/2018/September/Current-approaches-to-the-pharmacological-treatment>

e-Therapy in Primary Care Mental Health

<https://www1.racgp.org.au/AJGP/2018/April/eTherapy>

AFP (RACGP)

Depression in children

<https://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2017/december/depression-in-children/>

Early detection of eating disorders in General Practice

<https://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2017/november/early-detection-of-eating-disorders/>

Clinical practice guidelines and principles of care for people with dementia in Australia

<https://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2016/december/clinical-practice-guidelines-and-principles-of-care-for-people-with-dementia-in-australia/>

Cannabis use and its associated disorders: clinical care

<https://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2016/december/cannabis-use-and-its-associated-disorders-clinical-care/>

The inherited chronic pain patient

<https://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2016/december/the-inherited-chronic-pain-patient/>

Prescription drug abuse a timely update

<https://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2016/december/prescription-drug-abuse-a-timely-update/>

Gender dysphoria

<http://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2015/november/gender-dysphoria/>

Chronic schizophrenia and the role of the General Practitioner

<http://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2015/november/chronic-schizophrenia-and-the-role-of-the-general-practitioner/>

PTSD an update for GPs

<http://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2014/november/ptsd-%E2%80%93-an-update-for-general-practitioners/>

Alcohol: Prevention, policy and primary care responses

<http://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2014/june/alcohol/>

Risk assessment and initial management of suicidal adolescents

<http://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2014/june/suicidal-adolescents/>

Tobacco smoking: Options for helping smokers quit

<http://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2014/june/helping-smokers-quit/>

Perinatal mental health: Identifying problems and managing medications

<http://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2014/april/perinatal-mental-health/>

Bipolar disorder

<https://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2013/september/bipolar-disorder/>

Obsessive compulsive disorder: The role of the GP

<http://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2013/september/ocd/>

Motivational interviewing techniques: facilitating behaviour change in general practice setting

<http://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2012/september/motivational-interviewing-techniques/>

Acceptance and commitment therapy: pathways for GPs

<http://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2012/september/acceptance-and-commitment-therapy/>

Problem gambling

<http://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2012/september/problem-gambling/>

Cognitive behaviour therapy: incorporating into General Practice

<http://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2012/september/cognitive-behaviour-therapy/>

Problem drinking

https://www.racgp.org.au/download/documents/AFP/2011/August/201108demirkol_management.pdf

Anxiety disorders: Assessment and management in General Practice

<http://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2011/june/anxiety-disorders/>

Managing borderline personality disorder and substance abuse

<http://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2011/june/managing-borderline-personality-disorder-and-substance-use/>

Mental health risk assessment

<http://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2011/june/mental-health-risk-assessment/>

Check programs (RACGP)

Check (RACGP) via gplearning

<http://gplearning.racgp.org.au/User/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2fuser>

Unit 571, May 2020 Mental Health

Unit 570, April 2020 Sleep

How to treat website (since 2015) <http://www.australiandoctor.com.au/home> (click on the how to treat icon and follow the steps – need to register to use)

Suicide risk 30th October 2020

Pre-menstrual dysphoric disorder 4th September 2020

Depression 21st August 2020

Autism 31st July 2020

ADHD in Young People 26th June 2020

Sleep disorders 15th November 2019

Perinatal anxiety and depression 27th September 2019

Post-traumatic stress disorder 3rd May 2019

For curriculum topics not covered by the above articles - suggest using **BMJ's Best Practice** or **Murtagh's General Practice**

All management topics - suggest using **therapeutic guidelines**