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SCHIZOPHRENIA :

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Schizophrenia is a serious mental disorder in which people interpret reality abnormally . It may result in some combination of hallucinations, delusions and extremely disorder thinking and behaviour that impairs daily functioning and can be disabling

Symptoms : suicidal ideation

Causes :

1. The exact cause of schizophrenia are unknown. Research suggests a combination of physical, genetic, psychological and environmental factors can make a person more likely to develop the condition.

2. Genetics, brain changes, chemical changes, pregnancy complications, childhood trauma, drug use etc

TREATMENT OF SCHIZOPHRENIA :

Antipsychotic medicines are first line medications treatment for schizophrenia. They have been shown in clinical trials to be effective in treating symptoms and behaviour associated with the disorder .

Schizoaffective disorder :

It is mental health disorder that is marked by a combination of schizophrenia symptoms such as depression, or hallucinations and mood disorder symptoms , such as depression or mania .

Causes :

Scientists don't fully understand what causes schizoaffective disorder. It may be caused by abnormlity int the chemical changes in your brain ,such as imbalance in serotonin and dopamine . There also appears to be genetic link

Treatment:

The only medicine approved by the Food and Drug administration specifically for the treatment of schizoaffective disorder is the anti psychotic drug paliperidone.

PSYCHOTIC DISORDER :

Psychotic disorder are severe mental disorders that causes abnormal thinking and perception. People with psychoses lose touch with reality . Two of the main symptoms are delusions and hallucinations

Types of psychotic disorder :

- Delusional disorder :
- Brief psychotic disorder
- Shared psychotic disorder

1. Delusional disorder:

It is previously called paranoid disorder . It is type of serious mental health called psychosis, in which person cannot tell what is real from what is imagined.

2. Brief psychotic disorder:

Brief psychotic disorder is a sudden ,short term display of psychotic behaviour ,such as hallucinations or delusions , which occurs with a stressful event.

3. Shared psychotic disorder :

It is a mental disorder characterized by sharing a delusion among two or more people who are in a close relationship .

Causes of psychotic disorder:

Alcohol abuse and drug misuse can trigger psychotic episode .

Treatment of psychotic disorder:

Most psychotic disorder are treated with some combination of medications and psychotherapy , which is a type of counseling