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## STUDENT'S POST-QUESTIONNAIRE

### PSYCHIATRY THIRD YEAR CLERKSHIP

Please respond to each of the statements below by placing a check mark in the column which best describes your amount of agreement with the statement.

| #  | STATEMENT   | Strongly Agree | Slightly Agree | Neither Agree or Disagree | Slightly Disagree | Strongly Disagree |
|----|---|----------------|----------------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1  | One should encourage a psychiatric patient to talk freely about his/her problem.                          |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 2  | In recent years psychiatric treatment has become quite effective.   |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 3  | Psychiatric patients can often be unpleasant to work with.  |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 4  | Occasionally you can catch a glimpse of yourself in a psychiatric patient.                                |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 5  | Somehow patients on a psychiatric ward are quite different from other patients.                           |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 6  | A psychiatric patient stands as good a chance of improvement as an analogous medical or surgical patient. |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 7  | After six weeks on a psychiatric ward it will be much easier to talk with patients on other services.     |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 8  | Talking with a psychiatric patient makes me feel nervous.   |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 9  | In most ways psychiatric patients tend to be as responsible as other people.                              |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 10 | Psychiatry has not yet reached the status of other branches of medicine.                                  |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 11 | Psychiatric patients are not quite as trustworthy as other hospital patients.                             |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 12 | Some people on a psychiatric ward seem as much like friends as patients.                                  |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 13 | Working with mentally ill people will make (has made) me think a good deal about myself.                  |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 14 | Psychiatrists tend to be about as stable as the average doctor.   |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 15 | Psychiatry often draws to fit the more intelligent students.  |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 16 | I will probably feel pretty much at ease when speaking with a schizophrenic.                              |                |                |                           |                   |                   |

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| 17 | I am more uneasy with a psychiatric patient than with patients on other services.                             |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 18 | With the knowledge now at hand, one can begin to understand the difficulties of a psychiatric patient.        |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 19 | Mental illness often has a good chance of cure.   |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 20 | In all likelihood, most mental illness is not as distressing as medical disease.                              |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 21 | Much of psychiatric knowledge is an extension of common sense.  |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 22 | Psychiatric patients are often more interesting to work with than other patients.                             |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 23 | Psychiatry seems more complex than other areas of medicine.   |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 24 | Once someone has been mentally ill, he can never really be "normal" again.                                    |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 25 | At times it is hard for me to think of psychiatrists as equal to other doctors.                               |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 26 | Psychiatric patients are basically just like other patients.  |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 27 | I would probably become quite interested in the difficulties of some psychiatric patients.                    |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 28 | Knowing a bit about psychiatric illness could make it more difficult to talk with patients on other services. |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 29 | Some psychiatric patients seem slightly less human than other patients.                                       |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 30 | By talking with an emotionally disturbed person, a medical student might be of some help.                     |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 31 | The processes of human behavior are now able to be studied with some scientific accuracy.                     |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 32 | Psychiatrists often have more emotional problems than other doctors.  |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 33 | Many people who go to a psychiatrist are just babying themselves.   |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 34 | Psychiatric disease is not really amenable to scientific investigation.                                       |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 35 | It is easier to feel comfortable with some psychiatric patients than with patients on other services.         |                |                |                           |                   |                   |

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| 36 | Psychiatric patients often complain more of their symptoms than other people.  |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 37 | One cannot talk to psychiatric patients in the same way one talks to other patients.                                       |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 38 | With the therapies now at hand, most psychiatric patients improve.   |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 39 | I would rank the advice of a psychiatrist rather low when it comes to a medical or surgical patient.                       |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 40 | A knowledge of psychological functioning is certainly necessary for the general practice of medicine.                      |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 41 | A grasp of psychological concepts is essential for nonpsychiatric physicians.  |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 42 | The irrational imaginings of patients are just as significant in the control of disease as biochemical reactions.          |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 43 | Psychological factors are only of marginal importance in medicine and surgery.   |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 44 | Psychiatrists certainly have a part to play in the training of nonpsychiatric physicians.                                  |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 45 | At the present time, psychiatry has little to offer the nonpsychiatric physician.  |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 46 | A knowledge of basic psychological functioning is certainly helpful in treating medical and surgical patients.             |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 47 | I cannot see the relevance of psychological concepts to the treatment of medical and surgical patients.                    |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 48 | Nonpsychiatric physicians can certainly learn a great deal about patient care from psychiatrists.                          |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
| 49 | Clinical psychiatry should be one of the basic disciplines involved in all branches of the medical profession.             |                |                |                           |                   |                   |
|    | Note: Adapted from forms used at the Duke University Medical Center written by D.B. Larson, C.S. Orleans, and J.L. Haupt.) |                |                |                           |                   |                   |