Integrative Medicine in Residency – Psychiatry

The Andrew Weil Center for Integrative Medicine (AWCIM), in collaboration with the University of Arizona Department of Psychiatry, has developed the first online psychiatric integrative medicine curriculum, designed to embed integrative medicine education into psychiatric residency and fellowship training. The curriculum and resources are updated on a regular basis to reflect the ever-growing evidence that supports this field.

This curriculum offers topics not typically included in conventional medical education. Examples include: nutrition, dietary supplements, mind-body medicine, and environmental medicine.

Why now?
The landscape of mental health care is changing. A number of diseases are often not fully addressed with solely conventional medicine treatments. Patients are increasingly demanding whole-person approaches for prevention and treatment of psychiatric conditions.

Goals:
- Improve resident knowledge of evidence-based integrative medicine in psychiatry
- Improve resident wellness and self-awareness of their own wellbeing
- Incorporate knowledge of evidence-based integrative medicine in the clinical setting

Features:
- 95 hours, competency-based curricula following ACGME guidelines
- 24-hour access for residents and faculty
- Blends on-line learning with experiential activities and robust research
- Course on Resident Self-Care which addresses ACGME Section VI Common Program Requirement for physician well-being
- Modular format allows maximum flexibility
- Evaluation tools and exams built in to monitor progress and assess acquisition of knowledge
- Psychiatry training program may also include on-site activities to reinforce interactive online learning. Examples include: journal clubs, case conferences, mind-body skills groups, and other experiential didactics.

For faculty:
- Monthly joint site leadership calls
- Faculty learning with CME
- Annual Faculty Development Meetings in Tucson, AZ
- On-line resource library with teaching materials, presentations, and handouts

Is your program ready to take the next step?
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