

# Parental psychopathology in children with psychiatric symptoms.

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To get insight into the prevalence of a whole range of psychiatric symptoms of parents of children who have been admitted to an outpatient clinic for child and adolescent psychiatry for various psychiatric symptoms and the parent-offspring...

<b>Ethical review</b>	Approved WMO
<b>Status</b>	Recruiting
<b>Health condition type</b>	Psychiatric and behavioural symptoms NEC
<b>Study type</b>	Observational non invasive

## Summary

### ID

NL-OMON33967

### Source

ToetsingOnline

### Brief title

Parental psychopathology

### Condition

- Psychiatric and behavioural symptoms NEC
- Family issues

### Synonym

Psychopathology - psychiatric symptoms

### Research involving

Human

### Sponsors and support

**Primary sponsor:** Vrije Universiteit

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## Intervention

**Keyword:** child psychiatry, family study, parental psychopathology

## Outcome measures

### Primary outcome

Parental scores on different psychiatric symptoms clusters assessed with the Adult Self Report (ASR) which is an instrument well-suited to large-scale epidemiological studies. The ASR is compatible with the CBCL, which is administered to the offspring. Psychiatric diagnoses according to the DSM-IV assessed by the Composite International Diagnostic Interview (CIDI). This interview will be administered if parents score above a certain threshold.

### Secondary outcome

NA

## Study description

### Background summary

It is well known that psychiatric disorders run in families. Twin studies in children have shown that the familial clustering for psychiatric disorders is partly due to genetic factors, but also to the familial environment. Still, extensive knowledge on the prevalence of psychiatric symptoms within families is lacking. Most family studies are \*top-down\*, investigating psychopathology in offspring of affected parents. Additionally, there have only been a few studies investigating current psychopathology in parents of children suffering from a psychiatric disorder. Moreover, these studies were always restricted to certain diagnoses or symptom cluster. Given the high levels of co-morbidity between psychiatric disorders in children as well as adults, this is an important shortcoming. The current study aims to measure current symptoms in parents of children admitted to an outpatient psychiatric clinic.

### Study objective

To get insight into the prevalence of a whole range of psychiatric symptoms of

parents of children who have been admitted to an outpatient clinic for child and adolescent psychiatry for various psychiatric symptoms and the parent-offspring correlations for similar and different symptom clusters.

## **Study design**

An observational study.

## **Study burden and risks**

The practical burden of filling out the questionnaire is moderate. It will take approximately 45 minutes.

The interview will also take approximately 45 minutes.

For most parents, the study will remain restricted to completing the form, so the total burden will be minimal. For the parents who suffer from a psychiatric disorder both the practical burden and the emotional burden are higher as being confronted with their symptoms will probably be an uncomfortable experience. However, it is expected that these uncomfortable feelings will disappear rather soon (in a few hours) after completing the survey and/or the interview.

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## **Trial sites**

### **Listed location countries**

Netherlands

## Eligibility criteria

### Age

Adults (18-64 years)

Elderly (65 years and older)

### Inclusion criteria

Parents whose child is admitted to a child and adolescent psychiatric outpatient clinic.

### Exclusion criteria

No understanding of Dutch/illiteracy

## Study design

### Design

**Study type:** Observational non invasive

Masking: Open (masking not used)

Control: Uncontrolled

Primary purpose: Basic science

### Recruitment

NL

Recruitment status: Recruiting

Start date (anticipated): 01-04-2010

Enrollment: 2400

Type: Actual

## Ethics review

Approved WMO

Date: 18-02-2010

Application type: First submission

## Study registrations

### Followed up by the following (possibly more current) registration

No registrations found.

### Other (possibly less up-to-date) registrations in this register

No registrations found.

### In other registers

Register	ID
CCMO	NL24230.029.09