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| CME COURSE TITLE | Treatment of Suicidal Patient |
| COURSE DIRECTOR | Course director: Prof. Marco Sarchiapone , ITALY Co-director: Prof. Camilla Wasserman , ITALY |
| COURSE LEVEL | Advanced |
| EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES | Augment existing clinical skills in order to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • make a correct assessment; • manage the suicidal patient. |
| COURSE DESCRIPTION | Suicide is a serious public health problem, but research has shown that many suicides are preventable. There is current evidence that treatment of affective disorders, anxiety disorders, alcoholism, or the psychoactive substance misuse and schizophrenia and other psychotic states can prevent suicide associated with such mental disorders; there also exists evidence about efficiency of pharmacological and psychological methods in the treatment of psychiatric and personality disorders for preventing suicide. By improving clinical practices in the assessment, management, and treatment for individuals at risk for suicide, the chances for preventing suicide are greatly improved. In this sense, the course will provide specific knowledge for subsequent phases of treatment, after a correct assessment process, to avoiding future suicide risk and treating underlying psychiatric disorder. |
| COURSE METHODS AND MATERIAL | The course will be divided in three sessions: 1) taking care of suicidal patient; 2) doctor-patient relationship; 3) psychopharmacological treatment. The course will be organized in a interactive fashion and will use role-playing teaching techniques. |
| TARGET AUDIENCE | Since the management of suicidal patient involve several professional figures, the course is proposed to a wide audience of professionals who are challenged with dealing and treating suicidal patients in their clinical practice. |
| LANGUAGES | English, Italian |