

P-278 - PRIMARY IDENTIFICATION MODELS AND THEIR EFFECTS ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF ADOLESCENT PSYCHOPATHOLOGY

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Introduction: Parental figures represent the primary and most important identification model for the entire mental development of children and consequently adolescents.

Objectives and aims: Determining the importance of mother and father figure by comparing the personality traits (trait of temperament and character) of adolescents and their parents and possible development of adolescent anxiety-depressive psychopathology.

Methods: The sample consisted of 25 adolescents, with anxious-depressive symptomatology, and their parents who were not diagnosed patients, but are potential carriers of psychopathology.

In order to assess the personality traits of adolescents and their parents we applied TCI questionnaire.

Results: Using correlation analysis we found that mothers with well-developed communication skills set the limit to their adolescents making it easier to control their impulsivity ($r = .587$).

Using same analysis we identified statistically significant correlations: fathers emphasized impulsivity interferes with adolescents spiritual development; their insensitivity, indifference and poor communication lines increased adolescent anxiety, lowers their self-esteem and hinder their spiritual growth ($r = .624 - .654$).

Conclusion: The relationship between mothers and adolescents are described as non-dynamical and predictable. The relationship between fathers and adolescents are described as dynamic, with higher possibility for potentially negative impact of father figure to the psychological development of adolescents. The general tendency of development of psychopathology occurs through the relationship fathers - adolescents.