Chapter 54:

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

On completion of the chapter, the reader will be able to:

1. Explain the pathophysiology of posttraumatic stress disorder.
2. Describe the clinical presentation of posttraumatic stress disorder.
3. Contrast the duration of symptoms required for the diagnosis of posttraumatic stress disorder and acute stress disorder.
6. Discuss initial doses and dosing ranges for drugs used for the management of posttraumatic stress disorder.
8. Discuss the goals of pharmacotherapy for posttraumatic stress disorder.
9. Discuss the duration of pharmacotherapy of posttraumatic stress disorder.
10. Develop a monitoring plan for the pharmacotherapy of patients with posttraumatic stress disorder.
11. Explain the neurotransmitter theories of the pathophysiology of obsessive-compulsive disorder.
12. Describe the signs and symptoms of obsessive-compulsive disorder.
14. Discuss the goals of pharmacotherapy for obsessive-compulsive disorder.
15. Recommend a first-line agent for the pharmacotherapy of obsessive-compulsive disorder.
16. Discuss initial doses and dosing ranges of the antidepressant options for treatment of obsessive-compulsive disorder.
17. Formulate a plan for the use of augmenting drug therapy in patients with obsessive-compulsive disorder and persistent symptoms following first-line pharmacotherapy.
18. Define an appropriate duration of pharmacotherapy for obsessive-compulsive disorder.
19. Recommend a pharmacotherapy plan for a child with obsessive-compulsive disorder.
20. Develop a monitoring plan for the pharmacotherapy of patients with obsessive-compulsive disorder.