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Class Preparation #2

Compare the three clusters of personality disorders & nursing interventions for each cluster:

Clusters	Defining Characteristics	Nursing Interventions
<p>Cluster A: Weird</p> <p>1. Paranoid Personality Disorder</p> <p>2. Schizoid Personality Disorder</p> <p>3. Schizotypal Personality Disorder</p>	<p>1. Persistent and inappropriate mistrust of others. They will assume that others intend to harm or deceive them, they can't trust no one.</p> <p>2. Inability to form personal relationships, they have no close friends and prefer to be alone.</p> <p>3. Resembles schizophrenia, isolated, illusions, lacks close friends</p>	<p>As a nurse attempt to establish trust, be honest, have clear/simple explanations, and set limits</p>
<p>Cluster B</p> <p>1. Antisocial Personality Disorder</p> <p>2. Borderline Personality Disorder</p> <p>3. Narcissistic Personality Disorder</p> <p>4. Histrionic Personality Disorder</p>	<p>1. Fails to have consistent employment, persistent violation of others rights, have no remorse for hurting others</p> <p>2. Emotionally unstable, under stress, difficult to control anger, high suicide rate</p> <p>3. Sense of entitlement, lack of empathy, envious of others, use of a lot of tantrums</p> <p>4. Manipulative and seductive, extroverts, colorful and dramatic</p>	<p>As a nurse give positive reinforcement for unselfish behaviors, keep communication professional, provide support, help them find their true feelings</p>
<p>Cluster C</p> <p>1. Dependent Personality Disorder</p> <p>2. Avoidant Personality Disorder</p> <p>3. Obsessive Compulsive Disorder</p>	<p>1. Relying on others for emotional support, intense fear of separation and being alone, lack of self confidence, low self worth, inability to make decisions</p> <p>2. Super sensitive to rejection, social withdraw, perceives as being timid, often lonely/unwanted</p>	<p>As a nurse teach and role model assertiveness, approach them with gentleness and friendliness, help them come up with effective coping techniques</p>

	<p>3. Not flexible about the way things must be done, high achievers, very formal, concerned of organization</p>	
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