Objectives: FALL 2025 The Personality Disorders

At the end of this 4 hour lecture the student will have greater understanding of the following:

- 1. What is a personality? and how does it differ from a personality disorder?
- 2. How can we define a personality disorder?
- 3. What is meant by important psychological terms such as ego dystonic and ego syntonic?
- 4. How does a personality trait differ from a personality disorder.
- 5. What is meant by the "three clusters" and what are the traits, as well as the all specific personality disorders found in each cluster?
- 6. How to diagnose each of the personality disorders based upon key information supplied to the student.
- 7. Understand defense mechanisms employed by personality disordered individuals
- 8. Understand Important Psychological terms
- 9. What are some things we should have in mind as we deal with personality disordered individuals?
- 10. What are some general traits, defense mechanisms and ways staff, and patients react to medical illness. How can we deal more effectively with each type of personality disorder in our practices?
- 11. What is meant by a personality change caused by another medical condition?
 - A. What are some of the medical conditions that might cause a change in one's personality?