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Research Project Summary

Code: DLC- 08-306

Subject areas: Parkinson's disease

Title	Psychiatric Complications of Parkinson's Disease
Overview	This research study is being conducted to study some of the psychiatric complications of Parkinson's disease, namely depressed mood, irritability, and apathy. In addition, this research study is being conducted to study the experiences of those who act as primary caregivers for individuals who have Parkinson's disease.
Objectives	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1) To delineate the level of Parkinson's disease (PD) severity among participants.2) To discern whether PD patients and their caregivers report similar levels of PD patient irritability, apathy, and depressive symptoms;3) To discern whether the degree of PD patient-reported irritability, apathy, and/or depressive symptoms, is associated with significant amounts of caregiver stress.
Principal Investigator	Dr. Samuel Lazareck
Affiliation	Resident, Department of Psychiatry, University of Manitoba
Location	Deer Lodge Centre
Subject area	Parkinson's Disease
Methodology	Clinical Assessment, Questionnaires
Project timelines	3 months or less
Potential benefit	Exploratory study in hope of benefiting people with Parkinson's disease and their caregivers in the future.
Status	Completed
Publications	None as of yet
Last summary update	May 2008