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Amblyopia-A challenge for ophthalmologist and parents

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Amblyopia is an important condition that can affect up to 5% of the general population. Ophthalmologist has many difficulties both in amblyopia diagnosis and treatment. Difficulties of diagnosis can be produced by missing: of children cooperation in examination, of parent's sincerity in history of the child (or even of treatment done before), of medical, a busy medical program or even missing of amblyopia experience. Difficulties of treatment can be: the moment of diagnosis, small compliance from children or parents or small experience of doctor. It is not possible to state that the impact of amblyopia treatment felt by the child is the same of the adults. The parents can only make a judgment on how they perceive the child is able to see whilst on treatment. Their judgment could be influenced by how important they judge the activity to be. Treatment compliance in amblyopia therapy is influenced by both the child and the parents. Whilst the child may object to the wearing of glasses or a patch on a personal level, a parent's perspectives can influence the success of such treatment. This may incorporate their own experiences of patching/glasses-wear, or their understanding of the condition and the importance of treatment. Parental understanding of the condition and belief in the prescribed treatment are key components for good treatment compliance. An argument against using treatment compliance as a measure of quality of life is that a child may consent to wearing the patch but their daily activities and social interactions may still be affected. Currently in Romania there is high interest in preventing amblyopia. For these ophthalmologist tries to inform population doing visual screening for children and by informing through media and press.

Biography

Camelia-Margareta Bogdanici completed her General Medicine at University of Medicine and Pharmacy Grigore T Popa, Romania in 1985. She did her Residency from 1990-1994, in the same hospital in which she is working now. She was an Assistant Professor at University of Medicine and Pharmacy Grigore T Popa, first in Histology department from 1987-1990; in Ophthalmology department from 1991-1999; Lecturer from 1999-2007 and; then an Associate Professor in the same university and hospital. Her lectures are for Romanian and English students in Ophthalmology. She completed Medical Degree (PhD) in 1999. The title of her thesis was "Clinical research for pressure equilibrium at normal, ocular hypertension and glaucoma". From 2007-2012, she was Medical Director of Hospital Sf. Spiridon Iasi, Romania, and from 2012-2016, she was Deputy in Romanian Parliament, in Health and Family Commission. She is the member of Romanian Board Society, Romanian Society of Ophthalmopediatry and Strabismus, member of Romanian Society of Contact Lenses, member of European Academy of Orthokeratology. She contributes as author in many Romanian and International Congresses, and also of scientific publications and books of ophthalmology.

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