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## **Community pharmacists' attitudes towards mental illness and providing pharmaceutical care for mentally ill patients**

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The study was conducted during the period from May 2006 to September 2006 in Riyadh city. The survey composed of the demographic characteristics of the respondents, asked 6 Likert type questions about the attitudes of the pharmacists toward mental illness, providing pharmaceutical care to mentally ill patients, the barriers of the provision, the service and differentiated between different types of mental illness and compares them with cardiovascular medications. Although pharmacists have generally positive attitudes toward both mental illness and providing pharmaceutical care to mentally ill patients, they felt uncomfortable counseling or follow-up monitoring patients for adverse drug-related problems when consider distinguishing between different types of mental illness.

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