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MENTAL HEALTH DISORDERS SCREENING OF THE ELDERLY IN THE ARCTIC ZONE OF RUSSIA

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The elderly population share in the Russian Arctic zone is growing due to an increase in life expectancy and young people outflow to the middle territories. The mental disorders frequency among the elderly occurs in 40-74 % of cases. There are subjective and objective difficulties of mental disorders early detection in the elderly. The greatest diagnosis arise difficulties in remote regions of the Arctic zone, which are sparsely populated, difficult to access due to long distances and a permanent transport infrastructure lack. In order to improve early mental disorders detection effectiveness in the elderly in the Russian, the implementation of changes in mental functions early screening in elderly people in the Arctic territories is great importance, which contributes not only to determining the mental health level, but also to assessing their need for care, improving the effectiveness of medical and social help.

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