Lecture Title:
Genetic counseling in child and adolescent psychiatry: How can it help my patients and their families?

Learning Objectives:
- Review how existing understanding of cause of mental illnesses influences how patients and their families respond to symptoms/diagnoses.
- Review the influence that genetic counseling can have on how families respond to a child's mental health problems.
- Learn about the quantitative patient reported outcomes of psychiatric genetic counseling.

Speaker:

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