

The Challenge of Schizophrenia

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Abstract

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Here are my paraphrase in text citations. Schizophrenics will sometimes reduce people to allegorical categories to make themselves feel safer (Bollas, 2015, p. 82). Family members often assume the greatest responsibility for a person who is psychotic (Capps, 2010, p. 53). SDM is an acronym that stands for "Shared Decision Making" (Ishii et al., 2017, p. 1). A successful diagnosis of schizophrenia often depends on the afflicted person self reporting the symptoms of the disease (Zhang et al., 2017, p. 1). People who suffer from schizophrenia often have difficulties trusting or interacting effectively with other people due to the symptoms of the illness (National Institute of Mental Health, n.d., p. 3).

Here are my direct quote citations. "The creation of the mythic self allows for *schizophrenic transcendence* in which one rises above the scene of catastrophe to an alternative reality inhabited by an avatar with an invented past" (Bollas, 2015, p. 89). "The fact that few of the mentally ill persons were living in their parental home does not mean, however, that family members did not provide assistance." (Capps, 2010, p. 60). "Along with the recovery movement, mental healthcare providers are now encouraged to support every patient in pursuing their life goals" (Ishii et al., 2017, p. 2). "Compared with other algorithms, CFS is quicker and more accurate in processing gene expression information" (Zhang et al., 2017, p. 2). "For some people, the cognitive symptoms of schizophrenia are subtle, but for others, they are more severe and patients may notice changes in their memory or other aspects of thinking" (National Institute of Mental Health, n.d., p. 5).

Here is my citation for a quote that is more than four lines long. Notice the lack of quotation marks around the quoted section, the indentation of all lines, and the period at the end of quoted section instead of after the parentheses. Also, it's important to have an introductory sentence that puts this large quote into context in your paper and shows that you have read and understood the

significance of this quote. Here is that introductory sentence followed by the quote. Getting people afflicted with schizophrenia to take their medications can be challenging:

Mentally ill persons may fail to comply with medication regimens for a number of reasons. Numerous family members mentioned that their relative believed that taking prescribed medicine made them fat. This is a delicate area of negotiation between the mentally ill person and family members in which more is involved than simply asking for help. (Capps, 2010, p. 63)

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This is how Peter Early described his frustration with trying to get a proper diagnosis for his son. "One psychiatrist said he had bipolar disorder, another said he showed early stages of schizophrenia, a third said he had schizoaffective disorder" (as cited in Capps, 2010, p. 63). Need, et al. documented that due to a lack of understanding of the scientific basis of the disease, patients "tend to doubt the validity of the schizophrenia diagnosis" (as cited in Zhang et al., 2017, p. 1).

Here are my repeated citations from the same book. "What these experienced members of staff taught me was that the state of normality rests largely upon the capacity for denial" (Bollas, 2015, p. 35). Since schizophrenics have often witnessed the disease in their families, they will often develop certain defensive structures against it (p. 37). "He said he was a very moral person, and exact, and responsibly self-protective" (p. 41). "Often hysterics gather in groups that cultivate a psychotic state of mind" (p. 45).

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