Depression Prevention Program

Ellen Frank, Ph.D.

Dr. Frank is Professor of Psychiatry and Psychology at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine. She is Director of the Depression Prevention Program and is PI or Co-PI on multiple research programs evaluating the effectiveness of psychotherapy and medication interventions in patients with mood disorders. Dr. Frank is internationally recognized for her clinical research in the assessment and treatment of mood disorders.

Andrea Fagiolini, M.D.

Dr. Fagiolini is an Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine. He has published papers on the influence of soft comorbidity on clinical course and treatment outcome of mood disorders, the development of structured clinical interviews and self-report forms for the assessment of subthreshold and atypical symptomatology of mood and anxiety disorder, and on the serotonin syndrome in patients treated with lithium and paroxetine.

Holly Swartz, M.D.

Dr. Swartz is an Assistant Professor of Psychiatry and has a long-standing interest in psychotherapeutic issues related to the treatment of affective disorders. She has published articles and book chapters on interpersonal psychotherapy, women and depression, and the role of psychotherapy in the management of mood disorders. Dr. Swartz has substantial experience working with patients with recurrent depression as both a psychiatrist and an IPT clinician.

Jill Cyranowski, Ph.D.

Dr. Cyranowski is an Assistant Professor in Psychiatry at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine. Dr. Cyranowski is a licensed clinical psychologist. Her research is in understanding the gender difference in depression, understanding and treating co-occurring depression and anxiety, studying the relationship between life stress and depression, and in improving depression treatments for adults.

Joan Buttenfield, RN, BSN

Joan Buttenfield is Senior Program Coordinator at the Depression Prevention Program and heads a group of dedicated, talented clinicians with over 25 years experience in the depression and manic depression area.
The Depression Program team also includes these talented clinicians and researchers:

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