

Real Medicine vs. Counterfeit Medicine (Psychiatry) Lee Coleman, MD

| | Medicine | Psychiatry |
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| Consent to treatment | Always | Never safely assumed |
| The real boss | Patient | Family, community, doctor |

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| <p>Stigma</p> | <p>No</p> | <p>Always</p> |
| <p>Self esteem</p> | <p>Not damaging</p> | <p>Devastating</p> |

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| <p>Diagnosis</p> | <p>Objectively Finding the Cause</p> | <p>Subjectively Summarize symptoms</p> |
| <p>Result of diagnosis</p> | <p>Rational treatment</p> | <p>Justify someone else's preference</p> |

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| <p>Clinical course</p> | <p>Measurable, objective</p> | <p>Opinions, agendas of others</p> |
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| <p>Symptoms as guide to Rx</p> | <p>Very good</p> | <p>Meaningless</p> |
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| <p>Impact on self-esteem</p> | <p>Liberation</p> | <p>Degradation, imprisonment</p> |
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| <p>Drug Rx</p> | <p>Real treatment, dignity of decision</p> | <p>Poison, Rape, Degradation</p> |
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| Doctor/Patient | Free agents | Both are Prisoners |
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Watch Your Language!

1. Diagnosis
2. Treatment
3. Test
4. "Antipsychotic," etc
5. In remission
6. "side effect"
7. responder
8. patient vs. client or subject

The Marriage of Counterfeit Medicine and State Authority

1. Patient and Doctor Locked Up in A Cage
2. Patient Denied Free Agency
3. Devastating to Self Esteem
4. Bodily Injury and Death
5. Promotes Suicide and Violence
6. Fear of Asking for Help
7. State sponsored poisoning of vulnerable populations
8. Least protection to the Most Vulnerable