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Title of dissertation: Assessment of the home environment in 7-year-old children of parents diagnosed with schizophrenia or bipolar disorder

Date for defence: 2018-03-19 at (time of day): 2-4 pm Place: Auditoriet, Aarhus University Hospital Risskov, Skovagervej 2, Entrance 30, 8240 Risskov

Press release (Danish)

Vurdering af hjemmemiljøet hos 7-årige børn af forældre med skizofreni eller bipolar lidelse

Tidligere forskning har vist, at et utilstrækkeligt og forringet hjemmemiljø udgør en risiko for et barns trivsel og eventuel senere udvikling af psykopatologi, men der er kun få studier, der har undersøgt hjemmemiljøet hos børn af svært psykisk syge forældre. Det overordnede formål med dette PhD-projekt var at bidrage til den sparsomme viden ved at undersøge kvaliteten af hjemmemiljøet hos 7-årige børn af forældre diagnosticeret med skizofreni eller bipolar affektiv lidelse. Til dette formål anvendtes data fra den store landsdækkende kohorte-undersøgelse The Danish High Risk and Resilience Study - VIA7, hvor 522 familier fra Danmark deltog. Dette nye PhD-projekt fra Aarhus Universitet, Health er gennemført af psykolog, Ditte Lou Gantriis.

PhD-forsvaret er offentligt og finder sted d. 19/03 2018 kl. 14.00-16.00 i Auditoriet, Aarhus Universitets Hospital Risskov, Skovagervej 2, Indgang 30, 8240 Risskov. Titlen på projektet er "Assessment of the home environment in 7-year-old children of parents diagnosed with schizophrenia or bipolar disorder". Yderligere oplysninger: Psykolog, PhD-studerende, Ditte Lou Gantriis, e-mail: ditgan@rm.dk, tlf. 29929620.

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Press release (English)

Assessment of the home environment in 7-year-old children of parents with schizophrenia or bipolar disorder

Children of parents with severe mental disorders are likely to be exposed to a range of adverse environmental risk factors compared to children of parents without severe mental disorders. Prior studies have indicated that an inadequate and impaired home environment poses a risk for the well-being of a child and for later development of psychopathology, but studies investigating the quality of the home environment of these children are sparse. The aim of this PhD project was to contribute to the sparse existing knowledge by examining the quality of the home environment with 7-year-old children of parents diagnosed with schizophrenia or bipolar disorder. For this purpose, data were

used from the large nationwide cohort study The Danish High Risk and Resilience Study - VIA7, where 522 families from Denmark participated. The project was carried out by psychologist Ditte Lou Gantriis from Clinical Medicine, Health, Aarhus University.

The defence is public and takes place on March 19th from 2pm-4pm in the Auditorium, Aarhus University Hospital Risskov, Entrance 30, Skovagervej 2, 8240 Risskov. The title of the project is "Assessment of the home environment in 7-year-old children of parents diagnosed with schizophrenia or bipolar disorder". For more information, please contact PhD student Ditte Lou Gantriis, email: ditgan@rm.dk, Phone +45 29929620.

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