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Self-Harm and Mental Health Disorders in Adolescence

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Aim. To identify mental health disorders associated with self-harm in adolescence.

Methods. A retrospective analysis of patients hospitalized at the RVPL University Child and Adolescent Unit from 2022 to 2025. Data included ICD-10 psychiatric diagnoses, self-harm episodes and recurrence, and sociodemographic indicators. Statistical analysis was performed using R-Commander; results were significant at p<0.05.

Results. The sample included 600 patients (mean age 15.13; 27% male, 73% female). Self-harm was reported in 71.3% of cases. The most frequent diagnoses among those who self-harmed were depressive disorders (F32.10, F32.30, F33.1), comprising 25.7% of cases. All patients with recurrent depressive disorders (F33.1, F33.2, F33.3) had self-harmed ($\chi^2 = 195.279$, df = 62, p < .001). Recurrent self-harm was most common in patients diagnosed with moderate depression (F32.10, 20.9%) and paranoid schizophrenia (F20.0, 15.6%). No self-harm was recorded among patients with certain developmental disorders (F84.8, F71.1, F72.1).

Conclusions. Over 70% of hospitalized adolescents had self-harmed. Recurrent depressive disorders strongly predicted self-harm. Moderate depression and paranoid schizophrenia accounted for over one-third of repeated self-harm cases, suggesting these diagnoses indicate increased risk.