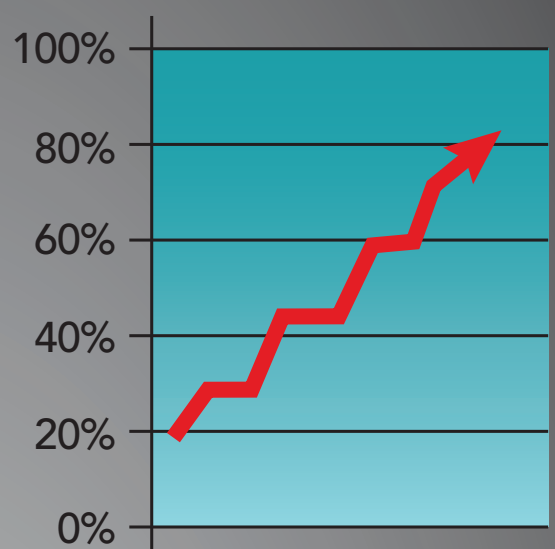




Mental Health AND Divorce

A multinational study of mental disorders, marriage and divorce published in 2011, found that a sample of 18 mental disorders increased the likelihood of divorce. This study showed that these disorders **increased the divorce rate by 20% to 80%.**

Addiction, major depression and PTSD (post-traumatic stress disorder) are all significant factors.



of Americans ages 18 and older live with a diagnosable mental disorder in a given year.

(National Institute of Mental Health)

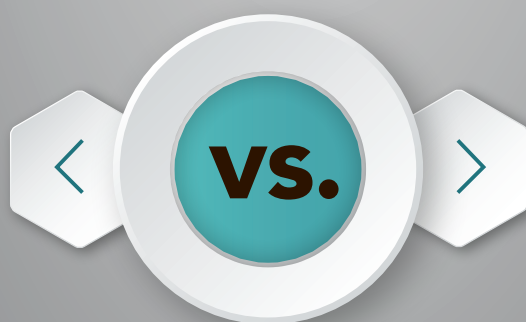


Marriages in which one spouse suffers from depression is nine (9) times more likely to end in a divorce.

Typically, it isn't the depression itself that sends a couple to divorce attorneys, but the consequences of not addressing the illness.

3-5%

of marriages in which a spouse has OCD end in divorce.



90%

of marriages in which a spouse has bipolar disorder end in divorce.

5 Challenges Facing Spouses with Mentally Ill Partners

- 1 Financial burdens
- 2 Resentment – and sexual distance
- 3 Stigma and social isolation
- 4 Feeling you've lost the partnership of marriage
- 5 Single-parenting and being caretaker of your spouse



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