THE RISK OF SECTARIAN/CULTIC ABUSE IN HEALTHCARE PRACTICE

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Key figures

- Four out of ten French people use alternative medicines (K)
- 400 unconventional practices
- 1,800 "at risk" training schemes
- 4000 self-proclaimed "psychotherapists
- 3000 doctors linked to a sectarian movement
- 40% of reports to MIVILUDES

EVOLUTION OF THE CONCEPT OF HEALTH

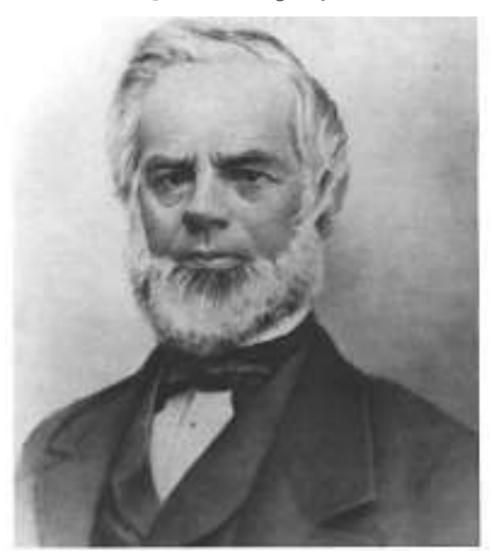
- WHO definition (1947): no longer the absence of illness, but "a state of complete mental, physical and social well-being"
- Mental and physical fulfilment ("New Age")
- The rise of "psychologism"
- Psychological theme of holistic personal fulfilment
- Infiltration of pseudo-therapeutic nebulous ideas into the medical world to deal with the psychological suffering of carers

EVOLUTION OF SPIRITUAL MINORITIES

• Shift from spiritual demands to well-being, fitness and body worship

• "We no longer seek to be holy, but healthy. The cult of health is THE religion of today"

Phineas Quimby (1802-1866)



Mary Baker Eddy (1821-1910)





Oskar Ernst Bernhardt (1875-1941)



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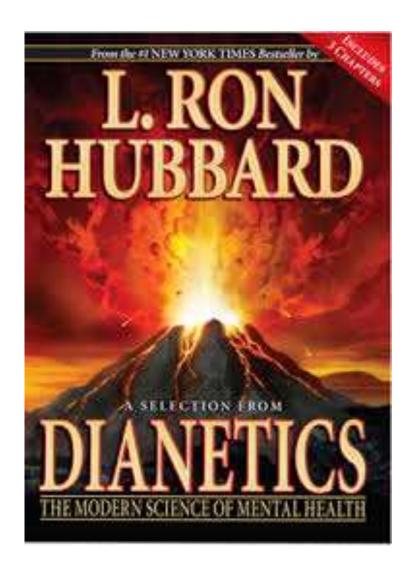
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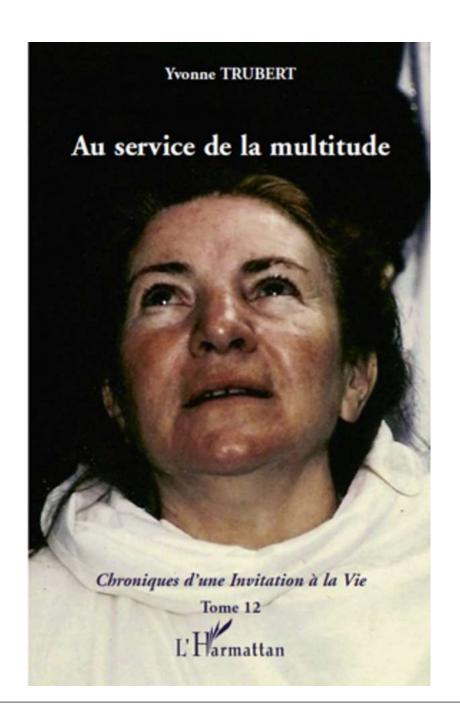
Rudolf Steiner (1861-1925)



Ron Hubbard (1911-1986)





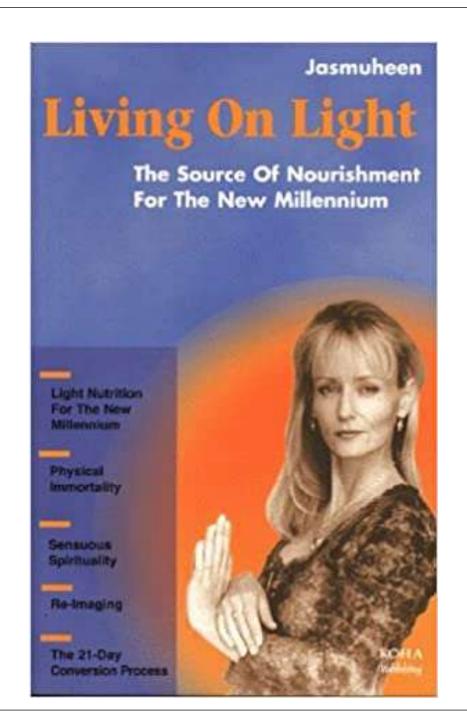


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What is a sectarian abuse?

- Importance of the phenomenon (see IPSOS 2010 survey)
- No legal definition or list
- A cluster of clues:
 - Mental destabilisation
 - Exorbitant financial requirements
 - Break with the original environment
 - Existence of physical harm
 - Anti-social speech
 - Public order disturbances
 - Diversion from traditional economic channels
 - Importance of legal disputes
 - Attempts to infiltrate public authorities

Law of 12 June 2001 (About-Picard Law)

- Article 223-15-2 CP:
- "A penalty of three years' imprisonment and a fine of 375,000 euros shall be incurred for fraudulent abuse of a state of ignorance or weakness

of either a minor,

or a person whose particular vulnerability....

or a person in a state of psychological or physical subjection resulting from the use of severe or repeated pressure or of techniques likely to impair that person's judgement, with the aim of inducing that minor or person to commit an act or omission seriously harmful to his or her interests. »

When does a therapeutic deviance become a sect?

- Speech by an emblematic figure ("guru")
- Pseudo-practitioner, or doctor
- Try to get the patient to adopt a belief or a new way of thinking
- Holder of a truth
- A different way of caring and living
- Break with family and usual care environment
- "charlatans"

RISK SITUATIONS

Nutrition

- Quest for purity and well-being
- Detoxification practices, exercise, diet, fasting
- Residential stays, courses, seminars, retreats
- Websites, wellness fairs
- Special situation for pregnant women (example of instinctotherapy)

Patients need to be properly informed of the risks of certain methods...

Guy-Claude Burger, theorist of instinctotherapy and 'metapsychoanalysis'



Psychological disorders in children

- Various dubious methods:
 - Chanelling
 - Indigo children (Kryon)
 - Easier communication



Fred Sterling, known as Kahu, is one of the many American *channels* within the New Age movement. He claims to transmit messages from an entity on another plane of existence whom he calls "*Master Kirael*".







Nancy Côté, prêtresse Lémurienne

« Nous sommes avec vous pour explorer le plus grand éveil de votre âge, la vérité de qui vous êtes en tant que créateurs divins. Inspirez et invitez la conscience élargie de la Source Unique à résonner à travers toutes les cellules de votre Être. Vous tenez entre vos mains l'histoire du déploiement spirituel de l'humanité dans la grâce et le calendrier du plan Divin. »

Les Mères des Étoiles Pléiadiennes



Dr Amber Mele'ha Wolf, prêtresse Lémurienne.





Qu'est-ce que la psychophanie ? Où consulter ? Me former Qui sommes-nous ? Contacts ♥





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The elderly and disabled

• Attempts to infiltrate establishments (professionals or volunteers)

• Risk arising from the person's network (family or homecare workers)

• Special case of end-of-life patients (palliative care)

"psy-therapy"

- Various therapy and counselling techniques
- Risk of mental manipulation
- False memories
- Framework for the title of "psychotherapist"
- attempts by sectarian movements to infiltrate the field of psychiatry or addictology:
 - CCDH
 - "No to Drugs, Yes to Life"



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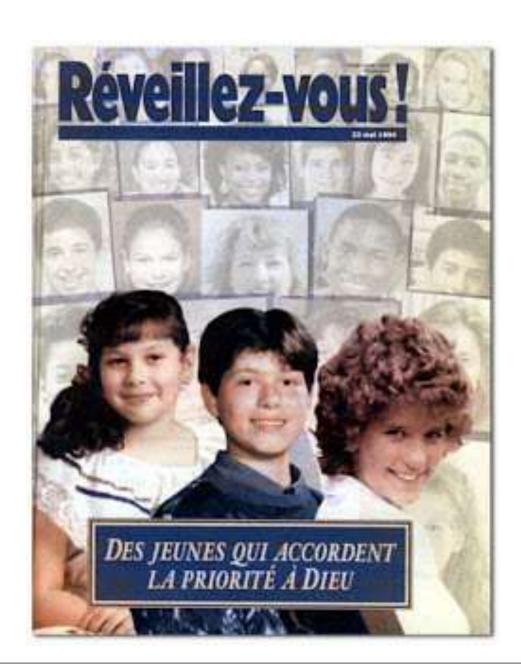


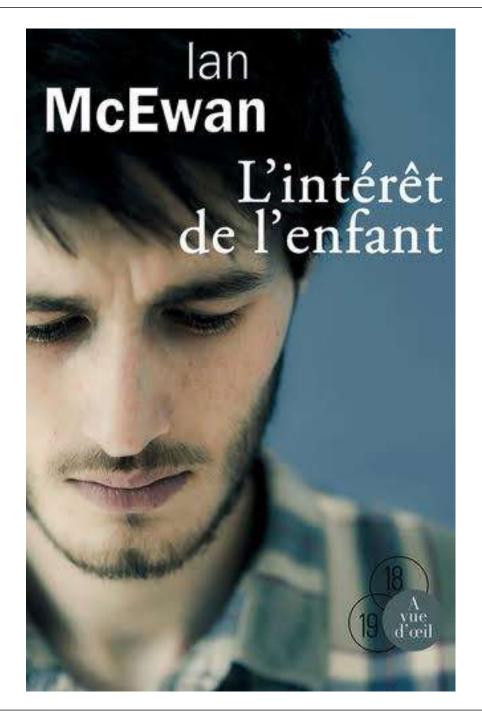
Refusal of care

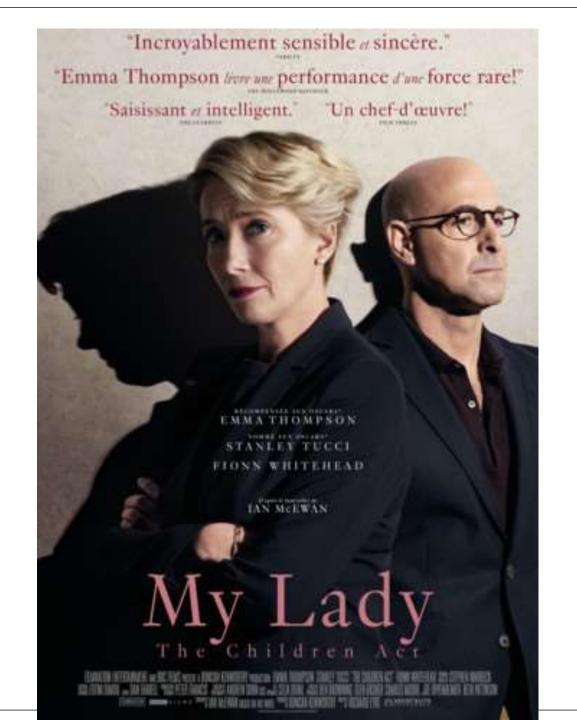
- Law of 4 March 2002
- For adults: respect the person's wishes
 - C.E.: "1) make every effort to convince...
 - 2) ensure that such action is proportionate and essential for survival "
- Minors (or adults under guardianship):

Seeking consent

if parents refuse: the doctor provides the necessary care







Refusing vaccines

• Compulsory vaccines: DTP,

BCG in schools

VHB for professionals

offence punishable by six months' imprisonment and 3,750 euros

One of many indicators (child development, diet, etc.)

If the parents continue to refuse: report to the CD, or Public Prosecutor

GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PEOPLE EXPOSED TO SECTARIAN ABUSES

FIVE QUESTIONS TO ASK

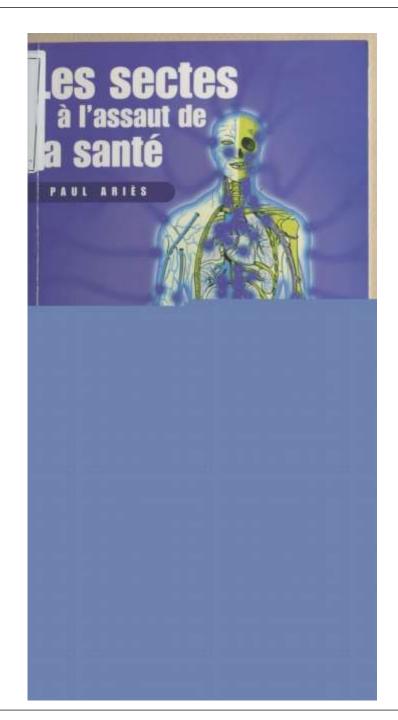
- Does the practitioner promise to solve all problems with an "innovative and revolutionary" method?
- Does the practitioner describe the child as "special" or "exceptional"?
- Does the practitioner criticise what he calls 'conventional medicine' and the use of drugs?
- Does the practitioner criticise the family, friends or government health services?
- Does the practitioner suggest that other members of the family also undergo therapy with him?

FIVE GOOD REACTIONS

- Beware of "miracle" solutions, which are often costly and/or involve numerous sessions over a long period of time.
- Be attentive to any significant change in the behaviour of the child or a relative;
- Do not isolate yourself or the child in an exclusive relationship with the "practitioner";
- Talk about it with others and with paediatricians, doctors and other health professionals;
- If in doubt contact MIVILUDES, don't wait until it's too late.

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