

142 .The use of new therapies is opposed to because of their

- a. short-term effects b. complications c. ineffectiveness d. temporary use

143 .Regarding the use of drugs for weight loss,

- a. there is controversy among authorities
b. conservatives advocate the prolonged use of them
c. most doctors prefer them with diet and exercise
d. most officials have come to an agreement on their use

144 .Diabetes and high blood pressure are compared with obesity because these disorders

- a. are due to obesity
b. need life-long use of drugs
c. are as prevalent as obesity
d. require the same treatment as obesity

145 .Regarding the information given, we conclude that

- a. obesity will be overcome in near future
b. the new therapies will be adopted by most physicians
c. safer ways are required to lose weight
d. obesity will be the most common disorder worldwide

Passage 3

New research provides the strongest evidence to date that psychopathy is linked to specific structural abnormalities in the brain. Most violent crimes are committed by a small group of persistent male offenders with anti-social personality disorder (ASPD). They are characterized by emotional instability, impulsivity and high levels of mood and anxiety disorders. They typically use aggression in a reactive way in response to a perceived threat or sense of frustration.

However, about one third of such men (ASP+P) are characterized by a lack of empathy and remorse, and use aggression in a planned way to secure what they want (status, money, etc.).

There is a clear behavioral difference amongst those diagnosed with ASPD depending on whether or not they also have psychopathy. We describe those without psychopathy as 'hot-headed' and those with psychopathy as 'cold-hearted'. The 'cold-hearted' psychopathic group begin offending earlier, engage in a broader range and greater density of offending behavior and respond less well to treatment programs in adulthood, compared to the 'hot-headed' group. We now know that this behavioral difference corresponds to very specific structural brain abnormalities which underpin psychopathic behavior, such as profound deficits in empathizing with the distress of others.

146 . The evidence demonstrates that the mentioned disorder is

- a. more prevalent among males
b. an abnormality calling for hard evidence
c. the malady brought about by offenders
d. the most common affliction physicians face