

Another One From Nagarjuna: The Fusion Of Form And Content

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Aha! Another one!

Fundamental Wisdom Of The Middle Way, ch 4 v 1:

When form and content are separate, even form itself cannot manifest.
It is not that content manifests itself because of form; instead, form and content are always a fusion.

So in my experience (9 psych commitments) content was never discussed, and neither was form. Yet, only form was taken into account (per the DSM). And this, an incomplete report of the form. But the psychiatrists project their own interpretation of form on the form-content fusion (per the DSM); and reason itself is not on the table; nor is the dialogic; nor a discussion of situation and merit.

And actual ethics or threat (or safety) is never discussed, or realistically appraised. Nor is the actual physical and mental domain. Nor the mind, truth, and world-space.

And what is taken into account is a segment of third-party reported behavior. Even action, behavior, and context are not taken into account. Nor history, and the fact and context it offers.

Yet, “form and content are always a fusion.”

That is, also, to say: the psychiatry never takes into account the fusion of form and content, nor a reasonable ascertainment of form, nor a reasonable ascertainment of content, and thus even form cannot manifest, as it is.

Instead, what is projected on the situation and individual is the psychiatry from the DSM.

Things, a situation, and individual dilemma may be difficult or at-ease. There are grades and shades between. There are many ways to describe. There are the domains of life, the various states, and the various factors.

This should all be taken into account.

Endnote – Characteristics

Sometimes, things are fabricated and lies told, by the psychiatrist. Sometimes not. It's always a partial picture, unilateral, and sans all discussion or input with the individual. And the psychiatrist almost always takes an adversarial stance. That is certainly always true in the initial commitment, where facts are never investigated up front, and in subsequent hearings. It is very difficult to establish merit, with the psychiatrist. There are occasional exceptions, per psychiatrist. But not the framework, psych unit psychiatry. It is certainly not the standard, and it never applies to the diagnosis – nor does the fusion of form and content.

Endnote – A Potentially Helpful Vocabulary

Another helpful vocabulary and set of terms useful for inquiry might be Takuan Soho's Ten Qualities: Form, Nature, Embodiment, Power, Function, Latent Cause, External Cause, Latent Effect, Manifest Effect, the Total Inseparability of these.

Terms

The domains of life: the mental, the existential, the social, the societal, the experiential, the physical.
The various states: mental states, emotive states, intentional states, physical states.
The various factors: thought space, energy states, perception and perceptual awareness, thought and action, patterns of thought and action.

Resources

Fundamental Wisdom Of The Middle Way by Nagarjuna translated by Nishijima.

The Unfettered Mind: Writings From A Zen Master To A Master Swordsman by Takuan Soho translated by William Scott Wilson.