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Her clinical practice includes general adult psychiatry with particular focus on issues related to Culture and Mental health as well as Women Mental Health services. She is renowned for her research on the interface between culture and mental health and achieved international position through her various publications in this respect.

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Her social enterprise aims to harness the unique heritage of Middle Egypt towards its cultural and economic development as well as global healing.