

# Addiction Medicine

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**Addiction Medicine is a concise and practical guide for students and practitioners of medicine, nursing and other health professions who are involved in the care of people with alcohol and other substance use disorders or behavioural or electronic addictions such as gambling and Internet use. It provides the knowledge base and facilitates the skill set required for good professional practice in this field.**

Substance use and behavioural and electronic addictions have reached near-epidemic proportions in many countries. Substance use disorders can cause, mimic, underlie or complicate a large number of common medical and psychiatric disorders. Making a correct diagnosis of the substance use or other addictive disorders can facilitate clinical diagnosis, avoid unnecessary tests, shorten hospital stays and make the clinician and patient's life easier and safer. Increasingly, the ability to diagnose and initiate management of substance use and addictive disorders is the responsibility of all medical and health professionals. This invaluable guide discusses the broad range of management options and the evidence base behind modern addiction medicine.

**The second edition of Addiction Medicine comprises 27 chapters.** The first three chapters cover the nature of addictive disorders, the epidemiology of psychoactive substance use and the pharmacology of the major substance groups. The principles of diagnosis and management (including emergency situations) are then set out. There follow chapters on the major substance groups which provide a comprehensive account of the clinical features, diagnosis and management of disorders related to specific substances. New chapters cover the electronic and behavioural addictions with specific chapters for gambling and on-line/electronic gaming. The remainder of the book is devoted to the management of addictive disorders experienced by specific groups and in specific circumstances and settings, together with a summary of ethical and legal issues. The final chapter comprises a series of appendices which cover diagnostic criteria for substance use and addictive disorders and practical tools to aid management.

## Key Features

- An evidence-based, concise and practical guide to the management of people with substance use and other addictive disorders
- Covers specific types of psychoactive substances and other addictive disorders and treatment options
- Places addiction medicine within the broad professional and legal context
- Describes the needs and relevant treatments for particular age and socio-economic groups together with the more complex clinical situations such as pain and dependence and psychiatric comorbidity
- Features a series of appendices which provide summaries of concepts and practical tools to aid management

*'Above all this is a hands-on text, with clear advice as to what to do in the emergency room or ward. It will not only support the individual trainee but it could encourage an interest in a fascinating aspect of medicine.'*  
**(Alcohol and Alcoholism)<sup>1</sup>**

*'A good balance between evidence-based practice and the contributors' sound clinical experience.'*  
**(Michael Easton MD, Rush University Medical Centre)<sup>2</sup>**

<sup>1</sup>Review from previous edition

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