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Session 1: Diagnosis and Treatment for People with Alcohol Problems

Learning Objectives

- · Assessment, diagnosis and treatment of people with alcohol problems
- To develop awareness of complications associated with alcohol use
- To understand some of the practical aspects of managing people with alcohol problems
- To gain awareness of local provisions and guidelines

Curriculum Links		
11.1	Basic pharmacology and epidemiology	
11.3	Problem drinking; alcohol dependence; alcohol-related disabilities. In-patient and	
	out-patient detoxification	
11.4	Biological, psychological and socio-cultural explanations of drug and alcohol	
	dependence	
11.7	The assessment and management of alcohol misusers	
11.8	Culturally appropriate strategies for the prevention of drug and alcohol abuse	

Expert Led Session

- Pharmacology / Neuropharmacology
- Classification
- Assessment
- Epidemiology
- Health Consequences
- Treatment issues

Case Presentation

- Exploration of alternatives to admission for person with alcohol withdrawals why admission would be needed
- Highlight assessment and management of comorbid physical symptoms in person with alcohol problems
- Liaison with local alcohol services for follow up

Journal Club Presentation

- van den Brink, W., Aubin H.J., Bladström A., Torup L., Gual A., Mann K. (2013) Efficacy of asneeded nalmefene in alcohol-dependent patients with at least a high drinking risk level: results from a subgroup analysis of two randomized controlled 6-month studies. *Alcohol and alcoholism*, 48(5), 570-8.
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'555' Topics (5 slides on each topic with no more than 5 bullet points)

- Alcohol Related Brain Damage
- Screening for alcohol use
- Foetal alcohol syndrome
- Long term physical complications from alcohol use

MCQs

- 1. Which of the following statements about Disulfiram is false:
- A. Previous history of CVA is a contraindication
- B. Disulfiram use will result in an decrease in accumulation of acetaldehyde in the blood stream
- C. A loading dose can be used for initiation
- D. Disulfiram may have a role in the treatment of cocaine dependence
- E. Hepatic cell damage is a recognised adverse effect of Disulfiram
- 2. The following are true of Wernicke Encephalopathy except:
- A. Classic triad is ocular motor abnormalities, cerebellar dysfunction, and altered mental state
- B. Only 20% of patients present with the full triad
- C. Altered mental state occurs in 40%
- D. Altered mental state symptoms include: mental sluggishness, apathy, impaired awareness of an immediate situation, an inability to concentrate, confusion or agitation
- E. Ocular motor abnormalities occur in 30%
- 3. Which of the following is not a reason to consider inpatient setting for alcohol detoxification based on Nice Guidelines:
- A. Drink over 50 units of alcohol per day

- B. Have a score of more than 30 on the Severity of Alcohol Dependence Questionnaire
- C. Have a history of epilepsy, or experience of withdrawal-related seizures or delirium tremens during previous assisted withdrawal programmes
- D. Need concurrent withdrawal from alcohol and benzodiazepines
- E. Consider a lower threshold for inpatient or residential assisted withdrawal in vulnerable groups, for example, homeless and older people.
- 4. Features required for a diagnosis of dependence within ICD 10 include the following except:
- A. A strong desire or sense of compulsion to take the substance;
- B. Difficulties in controlling substance-taking behaviour in terms of its onset, termination, or levels of use;
- C. A physiological withdrawal state when substance use has ceased or have been reduced, as evidenced by: the characteristic withdrawal syndrome for the substance; or use of the same (or closely related) substance with the intention of relieving or avoiding withdrawal symptoms;
- D. Evidence of tolerance, such that increased doses of the psychoactive substance are required in order to achieve effects originally produced by lower doses
- E. Returning to substance use after a period of abstinence leads to more rapid reappearance of features of dependence than with non-dependent individuals
- 5. The following are correct calculation of units of alcohol (percentages are in vol/vol) corrected to nearest whole number:
- A. 750 mls of 11% wine is 8 units
- B. 6 Litres of 4.5% cider is 18 units
- C. 5 cans of 330 mls of 4.8% lager is 8 units
- D. 3 cans of 440 mls of 7.5% strong lager is 10 units
- E. 2 bottles of 700 mls of 17% fortified wine is 24 units

EMI Questions

Drugs used in Alcohol Dependence:

- A. Disulfiram
- B. Acamprosate
- C. Naltrexone
- D. Baclofen
- E. Diazepam
- F. Oxazepam
- G. Lorazepam
- H. Vitamin B compound strong
- I. Thiamine
- J. Nalmefene

- 1a. Which medication should not be given if serum creatinine >120 micromol/L)
- 1b. Which medication used for detoxification should be avoided in patients with impaired liver function
- 1c. Which medication acts as a selective GABA-B agonist.

Investigations for people with alcohol use

- A. Gamma-glutamyl transferase (GGT)
- B. Mean corpuscular volume
- C. Carbohydrate-deficient transferrin (CDT)
- D. Total bilirubin
- E. Albumin
- F. INR
- G. Magnesium
- H. Globulin
- Alkaline phosphatase
- J. Platelet Count
- 2a. This marker has Sensitivity of 50 to 70% in the detection of high levels of alcohol consumption in the last 1 to 2 months but false positive with hepatitis, cirrhosis, cholestatic jaundice, metastatic carcinoma, treatment with simvastatin and obesity
- 2b. This is used in the calculation of the Maddrey's Discriminant Function for Alcoholic Hepatitis
- 2c. A reduction in this can lead to increased risk of seizures and can be related to use of proton pump inhibitors.

MCQ Answers

- Q1 B Disulfiram use will result in an increase in accumulation of acetaldehyde in the blood stream
- Q2 C Answer is 80%
- Q3 A Should be that a person drinks over 30 units of alcohol per day
- Q4 E is mentioned but not a feature required for diagnosis
- Q5 B should be obviously wrong = 27 units, no need to work out all the rest

Formula is (percent alcohol x volume in ml) /1000

Hence for 750 mls of 11% wine is $(750 \times 11)/1000 = 8.25$ units

However, a litre of x% vol/vol is x units

So, a litre of 6% cider is 6 units

So, 6 litres of 4% cider is 24 units, idea is rather than working them all out, should be able to scan them and identify incorrect number

EMI 1

- (1a) B Listed as a contraindication primarily excreted in the urine and not significantly metabolised
- (1b) E This is due to the long half-life of diazepam

(1c) D

EMI₂

(2a) A

(2b) D

Maddrey's Discriminant Function Formula : 4.6 * (Prothrombin Time – Control Prothrombin Time) + Total Bilirubin)

If score more than 32 indicates a poor prognosis and potential for steroid use.

(2c) G

Additional Resources / Reading Materials

Books

- Edwards, G. Alcohol: The World's Favorite Drug. Institute of Psychiatry London
- Sigman, A. Alcohol Nation: How to protect our children from today's drinking culture

E-Learning

Epidemiological Public Health Data England (Alcohol given as example)

https://fingertips.phe.org.uk/profile/local-alcohol-

profiles/data#page/1/gid/1938132984/pat/6/par/E12000002/ati/101/are/E08000003

GP learning resource centre

http://www.smmgp.org.uk/

Royal College of Psychiatrists CPD Online

- Alcohol and the brain
- Alcohol-related brain damage
- Driving and mental disorders

Royal College of Psychiatrists Faculty of Addictions Psychiatry

• http://www.rcpsych.ac.uk/workinpsychiatry/faculties/addictions.aspx

Society for study of addictions

https://www.addiction-ssa.org/knowledge-hub/

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Session 2: Diagnosis and Treatment of People with Drug Misuse

Learning Objectives

- Assessment, diagnosis and treatment of people with Drug Misuse
- To develop working knowledge of principles of opioid substitution treatment
- To increase awareness of other substances commonly misused
- To develop awareness of complications associated with Drug Misuse

Curriculum Links

11.1	Basic pharmacology and epidemiology
11.2	Considerations for prescribing and treatment modalities; Legal restrictions on prescribing
11.4	Biological, psychological and socio-cultural explanations of drug and alcohol
	dependence; Cultural factors in the use and abuse of drugs
11.5	Impact of drug and alcohol use on Public Health
11.6	The assessment and management of drug misusers
11.8	Culturally appropriate strategies for the prevention of drug and alcohol abuse

Expert Led Session

- Epidemiology /Context
- · Opioid related mortality morbidity
- Assessment
- Treatment with opioid replacement treatment
- Detoxification
- Risks with opioid replacement treatment

Case Presentation

- A case of someone with polysubstance misuse
- Highlight physical complications of injecting substances

Journal Club Presentation

- Abrahamsson, T., Berge, J., Öjehagen, A., & Håkansson, A. (2017). Benzodiazepine, z-drug and pregabalin prescriptions and mortality among patients in opioid maintenance treatment—
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'555' Topics (5 slides on each topic with no more than 5 bullet points)

- Novel psychoactive substances
- Pain management in people with opioid dependence
- Substance misuse problems in young people
- Ethics of opiate substitution treatment

MCQs

- 1. Common term for illicit diazepam:
- A. Plant food
- B. Blues
- C. Spice
- D. Horse
- E. Whizz
- 2. The following are true of Novel psychoactive substances except for:
- A. GHB (gamma-hydroxybutyrate) and GBL (gamma-butyrolactone) act similarly to hallucinogens such as LSD
- B. Mephedrone is part of the cathinone family of drugs
- C. Piperazines substances have stimulant effects
- D. Paramethoxyamphetamine (PMA) is an methylenedioxymetamphetamine (MDMA) like substance but associated with higher risks of death than MDMA
- E. Ketamine use can result in haemorrhagic cystitis
- 3. The following are true of methadone except for:
- A. Cases of QT interval prolongation and torsade de pointes have been reported during treatment with methadone, particularly at high doses (>100mg).
- B. Typical starting doses are in the range of 10 to 30 mgs
- C. Methadone tablets are the preferred formulation for commencing treatment in opioid dependence
- D. Use of Cimetidine may lead to potentiation of opioid activity due to displacement of methadone from protein binding sites
- E. Peak plasma levels occur 1-5 hours after a single dose of Methadone Mixture 1mg/1ml
- 4. The following are true about opioid substitution treatment except for:

- A. Reduces the risk of death among heroin users
- B. Suppresses illicit use of heroin
- C. Reduces involvement in crime among heroin users participating in treatment
- D. Reduces the risk of Blood Bourne Virus transmission, including in prisons
- E. Promotes abstinence from all drugs
- 5. For long term treatment of pain using opioids the following dose of oral morphine or equivalent should not be exceeded
- A. 10 mg
- B. 40 mg
- C. 80 mg
- D. 120 mg
- E. 240 mg

EMI Questions

Medication used in treatment of opioid dependence:

- A. Hyoscine butylbromide
- B. Naloxone
- C. Codeine phosphate
- D. Clonidine
- E. Buvidal
- F. Suboxone
- G. Loperamide
- H. Oxycodeine
- I. Fentanyl
- J. MXL morphine capsules
- 1a. This medication is a long acting buprenorphine formulation
- 1b. This medication can be used to reduce risk of injecting behaviour
- 1c. This medication is frequently used for symptomatic relief of abdominal cramps during opioid detoxification

Analgesics of misuse:

- A. Fentanyl
- B. Diacetylmorphine
- C. Codeine
- D. MXL

- E. Diconal
- F. Buprenorphine
- G. MST Continus
- H. Tramadol
- I. Methadone
- J. Oramorph
- 2a. This drug which exerts it effect via conversion to morphine can result in opioid toxicity at usual doses in CYP2D6 ultra-rapid metabolisers
- 2b. This compound has effects on serotonin reuptake as well as effects on opioid receptors
- 2c. This compound is approximately 80 times more potent than morphine and is available as lozenges and transdermal formulation

MCQ Answers

- Q1 B is usual term used
- Q2 A is false GHB and GBL similar mechanism of action to alcohol
- Q3 C Rarely use tablets as there is increased risk of injecting with these hence tend to use methadone mixture
- Q4 E is false
- Q5 D risk of harm increases substantially at doses about 120 mgs oral morphine but with no increased benefit

EMI 1

(1a) E

- (1b) F In addition to buprenorphine this contains naloxone which is not active orally but is if injected
- (1c) A
- EMI₂
- (2a) C
- (2b) H
- (2c) A

Additional Resources / Reading Materials

Books

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E-Learning

Drug Alerts

- https://findings.org.uk/
- http://michaellinnell.org.uk/drugwatch.html
- https://wearetheloop.org/drug-alerts/

European reports on substance misuse

http://www.emcdda.europa.eu/

Epidemiological data on Drug and Alcohol Treatment in England

https://www.ndtms.net/

Government information - Guidance for healthcare professionals on drug driving

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/assessing-fitness-to-drive-a-guide-for-medical-professionals

GP learning resource centre

• http://www.smmgp.org.uk/

Neptune (Novel Psychoactive Treatment: UK Network) E-learning modules

• http://neptune-clinical-guidance.co.uk/e-learning/

Pain resources

- Action on Addiction
 - https://idhdp.com/mediaimport/38281/130607_pain_management_report_final_emb argoed_13_june.pdf
- Opioid Aware:
 - o https://www.rcoa.ac.uk/faculty-of-pain-medicine/opioids-aware
- Living well with pain:
 - o http://livewellwithpain.co.uk/

Public Health England Information

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/public-health-england

Resource for drug advice

http://www.talktofrank.com/

Royal College of Psychiatrists CPD Online

- Buprenorphine in opiate dependence
- GHB: what psychiatrists need to know
- Helping the addicted doctor
- · Hepatitis C and mental illness
- Safe and effective opiate replacement therapy
- Stimulants: epidemiology and impact on mental health
- Stimulants: treatment approaches and organising services
- Substance misuse in older people

Royal College of Psychiatrists information

- Drugs and alcohol: information for young people
 - https://www.rcpsych.ac.uk/healthadvice/parentsandyouthinfo/youngpeople/drugsanda
 lcohol.aspx
- Substance misuse in older people: an information guide
 - https://www.rcpsych.ac.uk/usefulresources/publications/collegereports/cr/cr211.aspx

Society for the Study of Addiction

• http://www.addiction-ssa.org/

US National institute on Drug Misuse

https://www.drugabuse.gov/drugs-abuse

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Session 3: Diagnosis and Management of People with co-occurring mental health and alcohol/drug use conditions

Learning Objectives

- To develop understanding of key aspects in the diagnosis and treatment of patients with cooccurring mental health and alcohol/drug use conditions
- To increase awareness of complications with pharmacological treatment in patients with cooccurring mental health and alcohol/drug use conditions
- To develop knowledge of risk issues in people with co-occurring mental health and alcohol/drug use conditions
- To understand how local services are implemented to manage people with co-occurring mental health and alcohol/drug use conditions

Curriculum Links

- 11.1 Basic pharmacology and epidemiology
- 11.5 Effect of drug and alcohol use on psychiatric illness

Expert Led Session

- Diagnosis and Management of People with co-occurring mental health and alcohol/drug use conditions
 - o Concepts
 - Epidemiology
 - Case studies
- There is sufficient material for a separate lecture if spare capacity on the programme.
- If feasible joint presentation by Substance Misuse Consultant and General Adult Psychiatrist for both sessions

Case Presentation

- Examine risk aspects of people with co-occurring mental health and alcohol/drug use conditions
- Relationship of the substance use to development of the symptoms

Journal Club Presentation

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'555' Topics (5 slides on each topic with no more than 5 bullet points)

- Personality disorder and substance misuse
- Depression and alcohol
- Psychotropic drug interactions with opioid substitution medications
- Public health concerns of Chemsex

MCQs

- 1. Which of the following have not been associated with misuse potential:
- A. Acamprosate
- B. Hyoscine butylbromide
- C. Loperamide
- D. Pregabalin
- E. Codeine phosphate
- 2. Intoxication of the following substances can be associated with psychosis in DSM 5 except :
- A. Alcohol
- B. Cannabis
- C. Sedatives
- D. Opioids
- E. Inhalants
- 3. Which of the following symptoms is not associated with Benzodiazepines withdrawal using CIWA B
- A. Loss of appetite
- B. Yawning
- C. Problems sleeping
- D. Difficulties with concentration
- E. Sensitivity to light / blurred vision
- 4. Percentage of patients attending Community Mental Health Teams reporting past-year problem drug use and/or harmful alcohol use has been found to be approximately:
- A. 24%
- B. 34%

- C. 44%
- D. 54%
- E. 64%
- 5. Which of the following is likely to predate Alcohol and other Drug use disorder in most cases;
- A. Generalised anxiety disorder (GAD),
- B. Panic disorder,
- C. Depression
- D. Dysthymia
- E. PTSD

EMI Questions

Drugs that may induce psychiatric symptoms:

- A. Gamma-Hydroxybutyric acid (GHB)
- B. Lysergic acid diethylamide (LSD)
- C. Ketamine
- D. Phencyclidine (PCP)
- E. Diazepam
- F. Amphetamine
- G. Cocaine
- H. Alcohol
- I. Cannabis
- J. Butane
- 1a. This psychoactive component of this drug acts through the type 1 form of the receptors which are found in high concentrations throughout the cerebellum, hippocampus, basal ganglia, cortex, brainstem, thalamus and hypothalamus
- 1b. This compound acts as an agonist at 5HT2A receptor
- 1c. One of the main mechanisms of action of this drug is by reverse transfer of the neurotransmitter dopamine

Psychotropic medications used in people with co-occurring mental health and alcohol/drug use conditions:

- A. Diazepam
- B. Quetiapine
- C. Risperidone
- D. Citalopram
- E. Amisulpride

- F. Sertraline
- G. Baclofen
- H. Olanzapine
- I. Aripipazole
- J. Fluoxetine
- 2a. Disulfiram can inhibit the metabolism of this compound
- 2b. This antipsychotic should be considered in patients with impaired liver function
- 2c. This agent may increase risk of compulsive behaviour such as gambling

MCQ Answers

- Q1 A Acamprosate (Used for alcohol dependence)
- Q2 D Opioids see DSM 5
- Q3 B Yawning in COWS
- Q4 C 44% see Weaver (2003)
- Q5 E PTSD see Swendsen (2010)

EMI 1

- (1) I (Nestler 2008)
- (2) B
- (3) F Cocaine works mainly by reuptake inhibition

EMI₂

- (1) A
- (2) E
- (3) I

Additional Resources / Reading Materials

E-Learning

Royal College of Psychiatrists CPD Online

• Dual diagnosis: the diagnosis and treatment of depression with co-existing substance misuse.

Journal Articles

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Session 4: Recovery Concepts, Psycho-social Treatments and Service Development

Learning Objectives

- To understand principle of recovery and how this is implemented with drug and alcohol services
- To gain knowledge of some of the basic concepts of motivation interviewing
- To gain knowledge about how services for drug and alcohol are developed
- To understand what ancillary services are frequently used with alcohol and drug services

Curriculum Links

- 11.5 Impact of drug and alcohol use on Public Health
- 11.10 Motivational Interviewing

Expert Led Session

- Review models of dependence/addiction
- Review evidence base and psychosocial treatments for people with substance misuse problems
- Overview of various interventions that are offered in substance misuse: brief interventions, mapping techniques (e.g., ITEP), motivational interviewing overview
- Useful to use youtube clips below for teaching session

Case Presentation

 Presentation of a person who had significant substance misuse problem +/- comorbid mental illness who has recovered and resources employed to effect and maintain this recovery

Journal Club Presentation

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'555' Topics (5 slides on each topic with no more than 5 bullet points)

- Overview of non statutory services (e.g., AA, NA, SMART, GamCare)
- · Risks associated with substance misuse in prisoners
- Harm minimisation approaches in substance misuse services
- Gambling disorder diagnosis and treatment

MCQs

- 1. Which of the following is not an example of change talk:
- A. Desire: I would like to stop using alcohol
- B. Ability: I could stop alcohol use
- C. Reason: Alcohol worsens my psoriasis
- D. Accomplishment: I finally stopped alcohol
- E. Need: I have got to stop alcohol
- 2. Prochaska and DiClemente's stages of change include the following except:
- A. Contemplation
- B. Preparation
- C. Maintenance
- D. Relapse
- E. Persistence
- 3. Who of the following is most closely linked with Motivational Interviewing:
- A. Carl Jung
- B. Carl Rogers
- C. David Winnicott
- D. Aaron Beck
- E. Melanie Klein
- 4. All of the following are key principles of Motivational Interviewing except:
- A. Roll with resistance
- B. Express empathy
- C. Develop discrepancy
- D. Support self efficacy
- E. Strengthen safety behaviour
- 5. Which of the following is true of needle exchange programmes in the UK
- A. Pharmacies are unable to provide this service
- B. It is only available to people prescribed opioid substitute medications

- C. It is only available in urban centres with populations greater than 50000
- D. Only qualified nursing staff can dispense equipment
- E. It reduces injection risk behaviours among people who inject drugs, in particular self- reported sharing of needles and syringes, and frequency of injection

EMI Questions

Potential mechanisms to manage resistance:

- A. Simple reflection
- B. Amplified reflection
- C. Double sided reflection
- D. Shifting focus
- E. Reframing
- F. Agreement with a twist
- G. Emphasising personal control
- H. Coming alongside
- I. Reaction
- J. Summarizing
- 1a. This approach enables the validity of the client's raw observation to be regarded but tries to interpret the observation in a new way.
- 1b. This may be considered when someone says "I am my own man, I do not need you to tell me what to do"
- 1c. The following exchange highlights this approach:

Client:" I have been able to use more heroin than other people in my town"

Therapist: "Perhaps you are simply immune to the effects of heroin".

Mutual aid groups/Services:

- A. Alcoholics Anonymous (AA)
- B. SMART Recovery
- C. GamCare
- D. Frank
- E. Teen Challenge UK
- F. British Doctors' and Dentists' Group
- G. Narcotics Anonymous (NA)
- H. Breaking free
- I. Kaleidoscope
- J. Discover
- 2a. Founded in 1997, This is one of the leading providers of information, advice and support for anyone affected by this pattern of disordered behaviour.

- 2b. This is a science-based programme to help people manage their recovery from any type of addictive behaviour. It began in 1994.
- 2c. This is a free drug advice service that is aimed at parents and children in particular. It is available 24 hours a day and online and by text message

MCQ Answers

Q1 D

Q2 E Stages of change are

Pre-contemplation contemplation preparation action maintenance relapse precontemplation

Q3 B Client centred interpersonal relationship is often quoted as one of the key influences for MI

Q4 E

Q5 E

EMI 1

(1) E

(2) G

(3) B

EMI 2

(1) C

(2) B

(3) D

Additional Resources / Reading Materials

Books

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E-Learning

Drink and Drug News- local update on substance misuse with recovery focus

https://drinkanddrugsnews.com/

Harm minimisation

- http://www.prenoxadinjection.com/
- https://www.harmreduction.co.uk/resources

Motivation interviewing

- http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=80XyNE89eCs
- http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=URiKA7CKtfc
- http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s3MCJZ7OGRk
- http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_KNIPGV7Xyg

Mutual aid groups

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