



SUICIDE RISK & SUBSTANCE USE

Is this Workshop for You?

Do you work with clients who use alcohol or substances?

Are you confident in your knowledge of the specific risks for suicide in this client group?

Would you like to know more about the neuropsychological and neurochemical actions of substances and how these relate to suicide risk?

Are you current in methodology and suicide risk assessment protocols?

Clearly, for those who work with this vulnerable group there is a compelling need for professional due diligence and specific skill sets. The challenge is dynamic and can leave you feeling confused, uncertain or even hopeless. We aim to translate clinically dense information into tangible and translatable strategies..

Workshop Details

Dates & Venue - See Website for details

Times - 1 days (8:30-4:30, with breaks)

Catering - Deliciously provided. Enjoy!

CPD PTS - 7 hours

Training Materials - All included. Just turn up!

Variations and Extra Resources - On request.

PS: Follow-up or stand-alone consultation services are available. Complement your training with a professional review of your systems, procedures and environment.

Content Inclusions

This training focuses on clients who use and have had dependence on substances, and understanding suicidality in this context.

Specific focus areas include:

- > Current substance use statistics and trends, and how these trends impact on each other
- > Similarities and differences between chronic versus acute suicide risk
- > Client substance use history
- > Foundations in neurochemistry underlying suicide risk and substance use
- > Specific neurochemical changes that occur with alcohol, benzodiazapines, stimulants, opiates (incl. prescribed), cannabinoids and poly-substance abuse
- > Potential risk factors of impulsivity, hopelessness and aggression
- > Interview techniques, assessment and evaluation strategies
- > Concealed suicidality or substance use
- > Critical risk points in a substance use trajectory
- > Intervention with respect to stages; Intoxication, dependence, tolerance and withdrawal
- > Challenges in working with substance use and suicidality
- > Key points for intervention



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