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Learning Outcomes that could be delivered in Secondary care (Linked to Competency areas in the Curriculum)

Learning Outcome	Competency Area
1. Describe early recognition, demonstrate the use of alcohol screening tools (CAGE; AUDIT) and early /brief intervention strategies	Primary Care ManagementKnowledge basePsychomotor skills
2. Describe early recognition of substance use problems and early intervention strategies, in- cluding use of drug testing	Primary Care ManagementKnowledge base
3. Demonstrate consultation skills, such as maintaining rapport and a patient centred approach with patients who have drug and/or alcohol misuse problems, given the chaotic and sometimes challenging way they may use health services.	Primary Care ManagementPerson centred care
4. Demonstrate an awareness of how own attitudes and feelings impact on management of patients who have drug and/or alcohol misuse problems	Primary Care ManagementAttitudinal aspect
5. Describe the important manifestations of excess alcohol consumption and /or drug use, in- cluding wider social aspects (such as crime, domestic violence, child abuse and neglect).	Primary Care ManagementComprehensive approachHolistic care
6. Describe the management of acute, life threatening emergencies associated with excess al- cohol consumption (such as acute alcohol withdrawal syndrome) and/or drug use (such as opi- ate overdose)	 Emergency Care Specific Problem-Solving Skills
7. Describe the initial management of the patient with excess alcohol consumption and/or sub- stance use problems with particular reference to harm reduction strategies.	 Specific Problem-Solving Skills Community Orientation
8. Describe safe and legal prescribing for patients with excess alcohol consumption and/ or substance use.	Knowledge baseContextual aspects

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9. Demonstrate skills in risk assessment, suicide risk assessment and mental health assessment in the context of the intoxicated patient.	 Problem solving skills Psychomotor skills Knowledge base
10. Describe the multidisciplinary team and explain the importance of this in the management of drug use and/or excess alcohol consumption.	Primary Care Management Team working Community orientation