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Articles

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**Racial Discrimination and Alcohol Use and Negative Drinking Consequences among Black Americans: A Meta-Analytic Review.** [Review]

Desalu J M. *Addiction* 2019;114(6):957-967.

[Experiences of racial discrimination are associated with diverse alcohol-related behaviors among Black Americans, with a stronger association with problematic alcohol use, particularly among younger individuals.]

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Evidence Searches

**Link between problematic gambling and other addictions.**

Carried out by Lisa Burscheidt from Aubrey Keep on 5/7/2019

[Results include evidence which examines the link between alcohol addiction and gambling addiction and makes recommendations for common solutions.]

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**ROI of community rehabilitation programmes for substance misuse.**

Carried out by Lisa Burscheidt from Aubrey Keep on 5/7/2019

[Results include evidence that directly compares community with residential treatments and high-level evidence on cost-effectiveness of community treatment.]

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Guidelines

The following new guidance has recently been published:

**Drug misuse and the emergency department**

Royal College of Emergency Medicine (RCEM); 2019.

[Substance misuse or drug misuse or illicit drug use is responsible for a significant number of ED attendances as well as being responsible for a significant of deaths annually. The aim of this guidance is to provide recommendations for the ED managem}
ent of patients who potentially misuse drugs. The scope of the guidance includes young adults (ages 16 and over), not children and does not relate to alcohol.]

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Reports

The following report(s) may be of interest:

1 in 5 hospital patients have alcohol-related problems.
NHS Behind the Headlines; 2019.
https://www.nhs.uk/news/lifestyle-and-exercise/1-5-hospital-patients-have-alcohol-related-problems/
[A review pooled the results from 124 studies that looked at the rate of alcohol-related conditions among 1.7 million patients in UK hospitals. Overall, these problems caused by alcohol affected 1 in 5 hospital patients. And 1 in 10 patients were diagnosed as having alcohol dependence. But the results across individual studies varied widely, and overall the researchers considered this to be very low-quality evidence.]

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