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Grey House Publishing Announces the First Edition of the *Addiction Handbook & Resource Guide*

Grey House is pleased to add the *Addiction Handbook & Resource Guide* to its award-winning Health & Wellness series. This helpful resource provides readers with comprehensive and supportive information about addiction and 18 related comorbidities, from AIDS/HIV to stroke.

Addiction Handbook & Resource Guide combines valuable, easy-to-understand educational information for consumers, patients, and their families, with official reports and releases about substance misuse, addiction, mental health factors, and treatments and further resources for co-occurring conditions. This new volume is arranged in the following sections:

Introduction

This detailed introduction to the book and to addiction specifically, written by health specialist Patricia S. Edens, PhD, RN, LFACHE, provides information on the types of addiction, recognizing symptoms, treatment options, health complications, and preventing addiction.

Section One: Studies & Statistics

This robust, colorful section of 350 pages includes detailed reports, journal articles, fact sheets, infographics, and useable materials such as vaccination cards, from a number of sources including the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, National Institute on Drug Abuse, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. It begins with an annotated table of contents, followed by two detailed reports on addiction and substance misuse in America. From there, articles take readers through some of the most commonly misused substances, including alcohol, marijuana, and opioids, as well as addressing current mental health considerations such as the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Following this are helpful backgrounders, facts, and treatment plans about the specific conditions related to addiction that are covered in Section Three, including AIDS/HIV, Alzheimer's disease/dementias, autoimmune diseases, cancer, cardiovascular diseases, chronic pain, depressive disorders, gastrointestinal (GI) disorders, hepatitis, impotence, infertility and

pregnancy, kidney disease, liver disease, respiratory illnesses, sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), sleep disorders, and stroke.

Section Two: Addiction & Mental Health Resources

This section details a variety of resources for individuals experiencing addiction, their families, and caregivers, including agencies and associations, foundations, libraries and resource centers, research centers, support groups and hotlines, print resources, digital resources, and web sites.

Section Three: Risk Factors & Complications

This section includes 18 conditions that are considered to commonly co-occur with addiction. Overviews written by Patricia S. Edens detail the conditions themselves, how they relate to addiction, and both common and cutting-edge treatment options. Patient, family and caregiver resources follow.

Following that, users will find the following pieces of backmatter:

- **Glossary of Terms** lists major terms and concepts related to addiction, including terms to avoid, terms to use, and why.
- **Slang Terms and Code Words** presents an extensive list of common and uncommon alternate expressions to describe illicit drugs.
- **Entry Index** lists all director entries alphabetically.
- **Geographic Index** organizes listings alphabetically by state.

Free Online Access

In addition to the print directory *Addiction Handbook & Resource Guide* includes free online access on the Salem Press/Grey House Online Platform. This gives your patrons immediate access to the most valuable in-depth information on the many causes of these conditions, early warning signs, diagnosis, treatment options, advice for caretakers, preventative therapy, and support. Call 800-562-2139 for a free trial or visit <https://online.salempress.com/> for more information.

The *Addiction Handbook & Resource Guide* is a necessary reference for public and academic libraries, as well as education and health care collections, providing information crucial to individuals with addiction issues, their broader support network, caseworkers, social workers, and other education and health care providers.

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