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The course of bipolar disorder in relation to drug abuse and addiction

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Bipolar condition is characterised as illness which is highly comorbid, frequent, disabling and chronić. It tends to be associated with disorders that are addictive (ADDs) and constitue another relapsing and chronic disorder having a lifetime prevalence which is inclined to be almost five times higher than in the overal society. According to The Encyclopedia of Addictions and Addictive Behaviors (2016) it was discovered in the study that the substance use disorder and comorbidity of bipolar disorder enlarged the possibility of criminal activities and suicide attempts lowering the amount of willingness to obtain treatment. There is even a greater number of studies which also confirmed a growing hazard of suicidal behavior in humans suffering from alcohol abuse disrorder and bipolar disorder. When bipolar illness is suspected in the individual, this person should be subject to a screening. If there exist a great probability of bipolar disorder with rejection of other diagnoses, then highly individualized treatment ought to be conducted. Numerous times it is medication treatments which have been mostly proven effective altogether with psychiatric therapy and outpatient care.

Biography

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