

Final Position Paper

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This paper examines major psychological theories and current trends in the field of addictions. By reviewing relevant literature and integrating course concepts, this paper aims to provide a comprehensive understanding of the factors contributing to addiction and the effectiveness of various treatment and prevention methods. The findings highlight the importance of addressing both psychological and social factors in addiction treatment.

The literature review highlights significant research findings related to addiction. Studies on cognitive-behavioral therapy (CBT) demonstrate its effectiveness in changing maladaptive thought patterns and behaviors associated with addiction. Social learning theory emphasizes the role of environmental factors and peer influence in the development of substance use disorders. Biological perspectives explore genetic predispositions and neurobiological mechanisms underlying addiction. Current trends indicate an increase in prescription drug abuse and the legalization of marijuana, both of which present new challenges for addiction treatment and prevention.

The integration of psychological theories and current trends provides a holistic understanding of addiction. Effective treatment requires a multifaceted approach that addresses cognitive, social, and biological factors. CBT and social support networks are crucial for sustained recovery. Prevention efforts must focus on early intervention and education to mitigate the impact of environmental and social influences. The findings underscore the need for comprehensive treatment programs that incorporate various therapeutic modalities.

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