

Introduction

In order to continue the work of going deeply into the topic of addictions. The articles of the second number, of the first volume the journal **Drugs and Addictive Behavior**, refers to vulnerable population in different contexts. Initially; in the editorial, Doctor Xóchitl from San Jorge invites us to reflect about the role of the universities in the use of psychoactive substances. As well as, the step towards additions and the performance of the institutions of high education facing the responsibility of training new professionals in this field.

In the following section there are three (3) research articles and three (3) theoretical reviews. The first research article is developed by Postdoctoral Omar Alejandro Bravo, who analyzes the results of an intervention carried out in a jail in Villahermosa, Cali, conducted in order to establish prevention strategies for prisoners from this institution.

The second research is a study about the use of drugs and bullying carried out with students in elementary school in Costa Rica, it was developed by Sandra Fonseca Chaves, Maria Auxiliadora Ortega Bonilla, Freddy Cubillo Otálora, and Julio Bejarano Orozco, psychologists from the Alcoholism and Drug Dependency Institute in San José in Costa Rica and the Ministry of Public Education. This article shows the early beginning in the use of alcohol, as well as, its relationship with ICT and situations such as cyberbullying and problems related to bullying.

The third study was developed with homeless people on the streets of Medellín, Colombia, it looks into the culture and the identity of this population. Besides, it talks about the relevant factors that trigger homeless. According to article writers, the main conclusions were that family problems, lack of affection, forced displacement, and loss of family, as well as, feelings of loneliness, abandonment, and low self-esteem led to choosing life on the streets. The authors of this paper are Adriana Valderrama Restrepo, Laura Maria Sanchez Gomez, Mary Luz Carcamo Marengo, and Ana Ximena Maxo Beltran.

Regarding the theoretical review of the articles, Yein Alexandra Muñoz Londoño Psychologist with a Master Degree in addictions, presents aspects of an integrated model for intervention of pathological gambling, that bring about the understanding of the weaknesses in protection factors to treat it, the necessity to address human beings in an integral fashion, respecting gender differences and the establishment of therapeutic goals along with the complexity of addiction.

The second review developed by Lizzy Alpizar Jimenez, Master in psycho-pedagogy presents the proposal of Cognitive Structural Modifiability explaining the mediation criteria for the Learning Experience and Instrumental Enrichment Program as useful elements for a family, of an alcoholic patient, to develop strategies in order to help and support them.

Finally, Mauricio Alejandro Bedoya, MA develops his article about the understanding of the failure of the war on drugs and the implications of a new policy that brings changes that include health and human being as the main objective of the new drug policy.

Finally, we are sure that this analysis about addictions from different contexts is not only a contribution for professionals in schools, prevention centers, and prisons but also for the whole community because this kind of issue calls us to be responsible in social processes in which we take part.

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