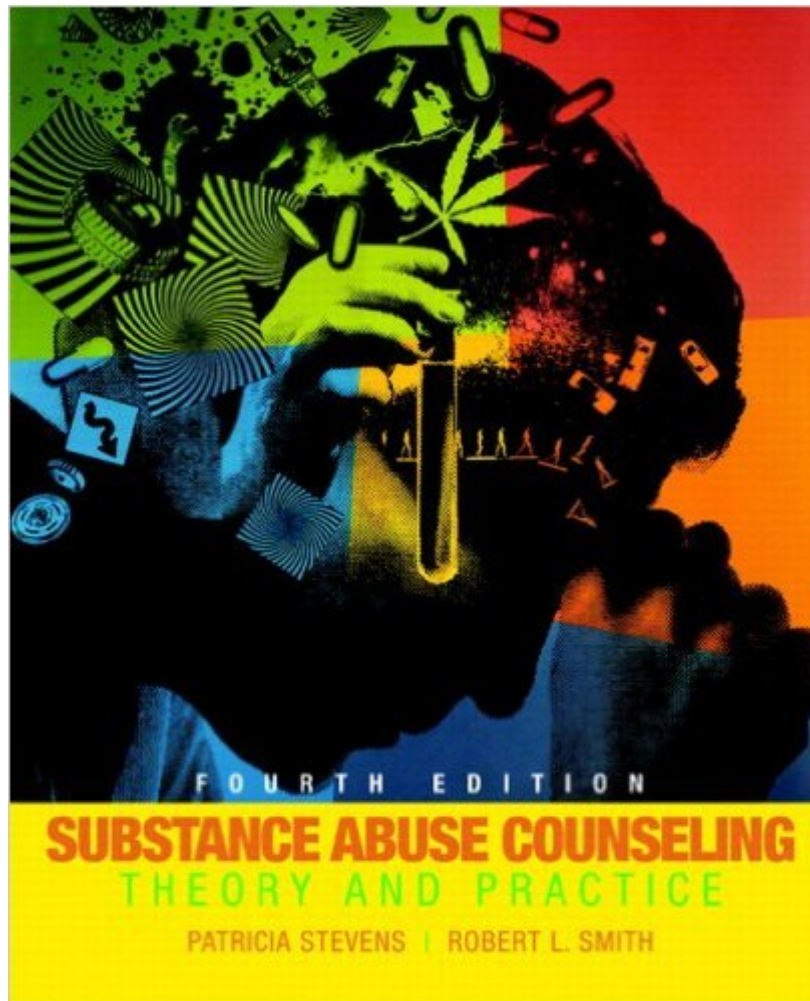


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# Substance Abuse Counseling: Theory And Practice (4th Edition)



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I just finished a graduate level course on substance abuse counseling, and this was my text. It's a pretty good textbook, with a lot of good information. Most of it is pretty dry reading though. Like a lot of graduate level textbooks, it's written in a dry yet information-dense style, which makes information retention challenging. The best chapters by far are 1 - histories of various drugs of abuse, and 2 - their effects on the body. I wasn't very fond of the sample cases they had in the text. I would have preferred a lot of "real life" case studies, with the interventions that were attempted, alternative interventions suggested by other experts, and outcomes.

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This book provides a wealth of information on substance and alcohol abuse. It is an interesting and informative book. It gives an overview of common substances and their affects on the body. Case studies provide practical application for concepts presented in the book. Must have for those working in the substance abuse field or those who just want to learn more.

Really good textbook on substance abuse counseling and issues. Very comprehensive, well-written with good explanations and case studies. I read this because it was required by my Master's program, but it was one of my favorite books so far. It will continue to be a good resource in the future.

As promised, I received a very clean copy of this textbook within a week. As I flipped through the pages, I found the topics interesting and easy to grasp. Although classes won't start for another three weeks, I'm already into it because so far, it's presented the right way: serious with a dash of lightheartedness. It's packed with useful information and knowledge that leaves an impression. I've already shared some of it's factual humor with a friend.

This is a good start up book. I actually bought this book for an introduction to addiction class that I was in but it can take me much further. It not only deals with assessment and treatment but it also introduces some basic knowledge on the different theories of substance abuse and on the major drugs abused.

So far, this book is informative and I like it, though the stats can be dull reading at times. Stats are, for me, somewhat of an intrusion in the narrative, and should be in a separate section. Otherwise, well worth the price.

The book is well written. It provides the reader with an easy reading experience while still providing the necessary information about substance abuse. I definately recommend it for anyone who is looking to learn more about substance abuse.

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