

Aberrant Behaviors That Are More/Less Predictive of Addiction

Behavior	Less Predictive of Addiction	More Predictive of Addiction
Expressing need for more of a drug, hoarding drugs, or requesting specific drugs	✓	
Openly acquiring drugs from other medical sources	✓	
Noncompliance with therapy once or twice	✓	
Self-medicating other symptoms with the drug	✓	
Reporting unintended psychic effects of the drug	✓	
Resisting change to therapy because of tolerable adverse events and expressing anxiety about severe pain symptoms returning	✓	
Selling, stealing, borrowing, or buying prescription drugs from nonmedical sources		✓
Abusing alcohol or illicit drugs		✓
Forging prescriptions		✓
Injecting oral formulations		✓
History of serial noncompliance or prescription "loss"		✓
Seeking prescriptions from emergency departments		✓
Impaired family, social, or work functioning		✓
Resists changing therapy even though adverse effects are present		✓

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