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# Prescription Medication Addiction/Abuse and Public Health Consequences

# Message from the Guest Editor

Addictive prescription medications commonly induce psychiatric mental states, suicides, violence, homicides, and medical complications such as lung and heart diseases. Increased legal access to addicting prescription medications has increased diversion and illicit use, not decreased as expected. Expanded legal access to opioid medications and medical marijuana has increased, not decreased, public health problems. For this Special Issue, we invite submissions that examine the prevalence, morbidity, mortality, physician and pharmaceutical practices, public health laws and initiatives, and other aspects of addictive prescription drug abuse and addiction.

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