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BC Centre on Substance Use Online Addiction Medicine Diploma program is Now Live

The British Columbia Centre on Substance Use announced the launch of their Online Addiction Medicine Diploma program. This University of British Columbia CPD accredited diploma program is a **free course** targeted at health care professionals interested in learning more about providing care to patients with a range of substance use disorders. Each module contains a lecture given by a content expert as well as opportunities to answer knowledge testing questions.

To register, click here: <http://www.bccsu.ca/registration/>. This self-directed learning program has not been accredited by CCEPP.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

By participating in this comprehensive online program, learners will build competence in substance use care and addiction medicine by:

- Incorporating screening, diagnosis, and brief intervention and referral to treatment for substance use disorders in clinical practice
- Selecting the appropriate pharmacological and psychosocial treatment interventions based on the best evidence as well as individual patient needs, circumstances, and preferences
- Providing safe and effective treatment to patients and their families throughout the induction, maintenance, and/or discontinuation process across the continuum of care for substance use disorders
- Setting treatment goals, monitoring and evaluating progress, and providing patient-centered support across the continuum of care for substance use disorders
- Appreciating the complexity of substance use disorders, diversity of care, and providing informed referrals to evidence-based support services
- Promoting recovery, safety, wellness, and harm reduction to improve patient care and support for those with substance use disorders
- Implementing strategies for safer prescribing practices for medications with abuse/diversion potential (i.e. opioids for analgesia, benzodiazepines)