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Society guideline links: Alcohol use disorders and withdrawal

Introduction

This topic includes links to society and government-sponsored guidelines from selected countries and regions around the world. We will update these links periodically; newer versions of some guidelines may be available on each society's website. Some societies may require users to log in to access their guidelines.

The recommendations in the following guidelines may vary from those that appear in UpToDate topic reviews. Readers who are looking for UpToDate topic reviews should use the UpToDate search box to find the relevant content.

Links to related guidelines are provided separately:

- (See "[Society guideline links: Alcohol consumption](#)".)
- (See "[Society guideline links: Treatment of acute poisoning caused by recreational drug or alcohol use](#)".)
- (See "[Society guideline links: Opioid use disorder and withdrawal](#)".)
- (See "[Society guideline links: Cannabis use disorder and withdrawal](#)".)
- (See "[Society guideline links: Benzodiazepine use disorder and withdrawal](#)".)
- (See "[Society guideline links: Stimulant use disorder and withdrawal](#)".)

International

- [World Federation of Societies of Biological Psychiatry \(WFSBP\) and International Association for Women's Mental Health \(IAWMH\): Guidelines for the treatment of alcohol use disorders in pregnant women \(2019\)](#)

- [WFSBP: Guidelines for biological treatment of substance use and related disorders, part 1 – Alcoholism, first revision \(2017\)](#)
 - [World Health Organization \(WHO\): Guidelines for the identification and management of substance use and substance use disorders in pregnancy \(2014\)](#)
 - [WFSBP: Consensus paper on biological markers for alcoholism \(2013\)](#)
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Canada

- [Canadian guideline for the clinical management of high-risk drinking and alcohol use disorder \(2023\)](#)
 - [Choosing Wisely Canada: Don't routinely prescribe antidepressants as first-line treatment for depression comorbid with an active alcohol use disorder without first considering the possibility of a period of sobriety and subsequent reassessment for the persistence of depressive symptoms \(2021\)](#)
 - [Society of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of Canada \(SOGC\): Clinical practice guideline on screening and counselling for alcohol consumption during pregnancy \(2020\)](#)
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United States

- [National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism \(NIAAA\): The healthcare professional's core resource on alcohol](#)
- [American Academy of Emergency Medicine \(AAEM\): White paper for the emergency department management of patients with alcohol intoxication, alcohol withdrawal, and alcohol use disorder \(2023\)](#)
- [American Society of Addiction Medicine \(ASAM\): Clinical practice guideline on alcohol withdrawal management \(2020\)](#)
- [American Academy of Pediatrics \(AAP\): Policy statement on alcohol use by youth \(2019\)](#)
- [AAP: Technical report on alcohol use by youth \(2019\)](#)
- [Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration \(SAMHSA\): Evidence-based resource guide series – Substance misuse prevention for young adults \(2019\)](#)

- [American Psychiatric Association \(APA\): Practice guideline for the pharmacological treatment of patients with alcohol use disorder \(2018\)](#)
 - [US Preventive Services Task Force \(USPSTF\): Final recommendation statement on unhealthy alcohol use in adolescents and adults – Screening and behavioral counseling interventions \(2018\)](#)
 - [AAP: Clinical report on binge drinking \(2015\)](#)
 - [SAMHSA and National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism \(NIAAA\): Medication for the treatment of alcohol use disorder – A brief guide \(2015\)](#)
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United Kingdom

- [National Institute for Health and Care Excellence \(NICE\): Quality standard on alcohol-use disorders – Diagnosis and management \(2011, updated 2023\)](#)
 - [NICE: Guideline for alcohol interventions in secondary and further education \(2019\)](#)
 - [NICE: Clinical guideline on alcohol-use disorders – Diagnosis and management of physical complications \(2010, updated 2017\)](#)
 - [NICE: Quality standard on alcohol – Preventing harmful use in the community \(2015\)](#)
 - [Royal College of Emergency Medicine \(RCEM\): Position statement on alcohol-related harm \(2015\)](#)
 - [Royal College of Physicians \(RCP\): Alcohol dependence and withdrawal in the acute hospital \(2012\)](#)
 - [NICE: Clinical guideline on alcohol-use disorders – Diagnosis, assessment, and management of harmful drinking \(high-risk drinking\) and alcohol dependence \(2011\)](#)
 - [NICE: Public health guideline on alcohol-use disorders – Prevention \(2010\)](#)
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Australia–New Zealand

- [Drug and Alcohol Services South Australia \(DASSA\): Alcohol related brain injury \(ARBI\) – A guide for general practitioners and other health workers \(2019\)](#)

- [Choosing Wisely Australia: Avoid prescribing benzodiazepines to patients with a history of substance misuse \(including alcohol\) or multiple psychoactive drug use \(2015\)](#)

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