

## A Qualitative Assessment of the Strengths and Weaknesses of the Disease/12-Step Model

Abstract: This qualitative presentation will limn the strengths and weaknesses of the Disease/12-Step model. It will provide the latest research on the Disease Model's conceptualization, categorization, form and treatment of addicts. Reasons for the ubiquity of the model will be addressed, including its use in the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. Theoretical and treatment alternatives to the model will be discussed.

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