

A Comparison between Self-harm Behavior and Emotional Processing in Single Substance Drug Addicts and Normal People

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Abstract

The current research aim is comparing the self-harm behavior and emotional processing in single substance drug addicts and normal people. The research population includes single substance drug addicts visiting drug addiction treatment centers in Galugah city during 2014; and by the use of convenience sampling 120 individuals were chosen. The research method is ex-post facto or casual-comparative. In order to collect research data, the scale of emotional processing, self-harm behavior and addiction severity index were used. In order to analyze data through inferential statistics, t-method was used. Results showed that there is a significant difference between the single substance drug addicts and normal people in terms of self-harm and emotional processing ($P \leq 0.01$).

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