

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §27-1-11

§27-1-11. Addiction.

(a) As used in this chapter, “addiction” or substance use disorder means a maladaptive pattern of substance use leading to clinically significant impairment or distress as manifested by one or more of the following occurring within 30 days prior to the filing of the petition:

- (1) Recurrent substance use resulting in a failure to fulfill major role obligations at work, school, or home, including, but not limited to, repeated absences or poor work performance related to substance use; substance-related absences, suspensions, or expulsions from school; or neglect of children or household;
- (2) Recurrent use in situations in which it is physically hazardous, including, but not limited to, driving while intoxicated or operating a machine when impaired by substance use;
- (3) Recurrent substance-related legal problems; or
- (4) Continued use despite knowledge or having persistent or recurrent social or interpersonal problems caused or exacerbated by the effects of the substance.

(b) As used in this section, “substance” means alcohol, controlled substances as defined in sections §60A-2-204, §60A-2-206, §60A-2-208, and §60A-2-210 of this code, or anything consumed for its psychoactive effect whether or not designed for human consumption.