

Similar Characteristics Between Substance Abuse and Domestic Violence

SUBSTANCE ABUSE	DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
Isolation of the family	Isolation of the family
Causes a lot of pain	Causes a lot of pain
Mental, Emotional, Physical, Verbal, Sexual, & Financial effects	Mental, Emotional, Physical, Verbal, Sexual, & Financial effects
Lowers self-esteem & negatively affects sense of self-worth	Lowers self-esteem & negatively affects sense of self-worth
Failed attempts to stop using	Failed attempts to stop violence or leave
Intergenerational cycle	Intergenerational cycle
Genetic	Learned behavior
Deny, minimize problem	Deny, minimize problem
Progressive	Progressive
Relapse	Return to abusive relationship
Can be fatal	Can be fatal