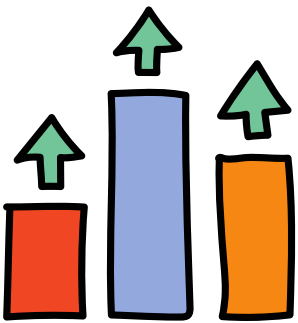


What are the advantages and disadvantages of taking ADHD medication?



Medications used to treat ADHD can help people do better at school and work, improve social interactions, and (when used consistently) reduce delinquency, substance abuse, criminality, and suicidality.

ADHD medications work by reducing symptoms of hyperactivity, impulsivity, and inattention.



One disadvantage associated with ADHD medication is unwanted side effects such as insomnia, appetite loss, or nausea.

Taking stimulant medications as prescribed will not lead to addiction, but these types of pills can be misused in a way that leads to addiction.



Stimulant medications, especially immediate release stimulants, can also be diverted to others for substance abuse or performance enhancement.

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