

Review of: "The Hidden Aspects of A Century of Substance Use Policymaking in Iran"

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This is a welcome addition to what we might call local-national "regimes" of addiction and treatment of opiate use and abuse, along with historical regimes within Iran. I am not an area expert in Iran, so I cannot speak to the historical detail in the piece. I do wish that better connections had been made with similar analyses of other local-national and/or historical "regimes". I also think that some more explicit statement of how political regimes and ways of knowing and trying to influence opiates and the people who use them. There is scope for analysis in both the comparisons between local and national regimes, as well as the ways that Iranian politics have impacted use, abuse and treatment of opiates. In short, develop the data more.

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