

Review of: "The HERMESS model for addictive behaviors recovery"

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There are some interesting thoughts within this paper and I like the recovery focussed aspect of this compared to discussion of the more traditional medical model but I felt that it jumped around in terms of ideas and concepts which made it quite challenging to follow. The model in figure 2 could do with more description, tying it to the description of each stage below figure 2.

I would suggest that the abstract is reviewed. For example "There are different experiences valid to define proper recovery treatments" does not make sense. There is no explanation about Figure 1. I am also uncomfortable about the phrase "To be persons again" in the conclusion as it implies that people within this client group are not people.

The paper needs to be re-read as I did not feel that some sentences made sense. I also don't really feel that the abstract and the paper feel aligned.

This paper works as a conceptual piece but there is no evidence to support it's effectiveness in practice.