Experience of Dependence on Former Drug Abusers

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This study aims to understand the description of the experience of dependence former

drug abusers, using qualitative methods with a phenomenological approach. In-depth

interviews were conducted with three participants. The results of this study consisted

of five themes which were life before abusing drugs, the process of drug abuse,

experience of dependence, self-regulation, and life as a former drug abuser. The three

participants interpreted their experience as something that strengthened them, even

though it caused feelings of sadness and regret for two participants.

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