# Title:

SPECIAL SESSION AND LIVE Q&A: Pain, Addiction, and the US Opioid Crisis: Exemplar Nursing Science

### Keywords:

addiction, opioid and pain

### **Description/Overview:**

Pain and opioid addiction are not unrelated phenomena. In addition to sharing neural substrates, both are holistic bio-psychosocial-spiritual disorders, and amenable to independent nursing interventions. Reviewed are the pain responses of persons addicted to opioids and addiction assessment in patients receiving opioids for the treatment of chronic pain.

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**Author Summary:** Dr. Compton's area of expertise is the clinical intersection of opioids, addiction and pain. Her original data contribute to the characterization of opioid-induced hyperalgesia. She has established methods to identify addiction in chronic pain patients on opioid therapy, and is expert in the use of methadone, buprenorphine and naltrexone for opioid addiction treatment. She serves on federal expert panels and contributed to position statements from multiple professional organizations on pain management for patients with addiction.