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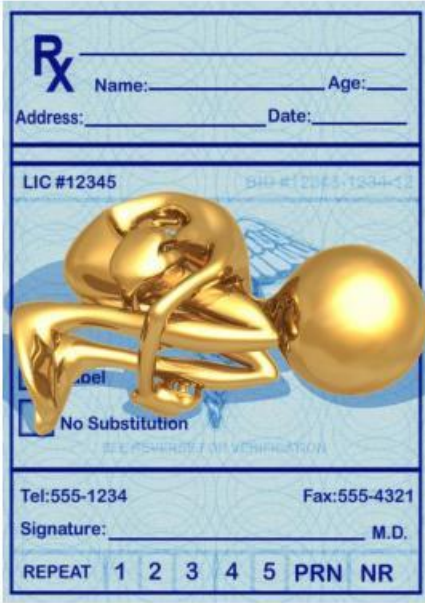
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Withdrawal refers to negative symptoms a person experiences when reducing or stopping the use of a drug. These symptoms range from mild to severe, depending on the drug.



The image shows a 3D golden sculpture of a person slumped over in a fetal position, representing withdrawal. This sculpture is overlaid on a blue prescription form. The form includes fields for Name, Age, Address, and Date. It also features a license number (LIC #12345), a signature line, and a 'No Substitution' checkbox. At the bottom, there are 'REPEAT' buttons for 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5, along with 'PRN' and 'NR' options. Contact information (Tel: 555-1234, Fax: 555-4321) is also present.

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The word cloud features 'drug addiction' as the largest and most central term. Other significant words include 'heroin', 'dependence', 'substance', 'abuse', 'problem', 'health', 'medical', 'overdose', 'risk', 'depression', 'cocaine', 'addicted', 'danger', 'withdrawal', 'warning', 'illness', 'crack', 'behavior', 'habit', 'reinforcing', 'medication', 'narcotic', 'injection', 'drug', 'tolerance', 'despair', 'methadone', 'out-of-control', 'syringe', 'dealers', 'sensitization', 'symptoms', 'death', 'physical', 'somatic', 'cravings', 'craving', 'addict', 'drugs', 'physiological', 'dependence', 'physical', 'dependence', 'physiological', 'social', 'tolerance', 'hospital', 'dangerous', 'compulsive', 'stimuli', 'reverse', 'tolerance', 'crime', 'physiological', 'dependence', 'physiological', 'social', 'tolerance', 'rehab', 'opioids', 'dysphoria', 'reverse', 'tolerance', 'stimuli', 'hospital', 'dangerous', 'compulsive', 'social', 'tolerance', 'alcohol', 'morphine', 'anhedonia', 'illegal', 'drug', 'addict', 'crime', 'physiological', 'dependence', 'physiological', 'social', 'tolerance', 'rehab', 'opioids', 'dysphoria', 'reverse', 'tolerance', 'stimuli', 'hospital', 'dangerous', 'compulsive', 'social', 'tolerance'.

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