

Addiction and the Family International Network (AFINet) **Webinar Series**

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AFMs and ‘study success’**

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This Webinar will describe an ongoing research project examining how a relative’s addiction (to alcohol, drugs, sleeping pills, opioid painkillers and gambling) affect the quality of life and level of ‘study success’ of young adult Affected Family Members (AFMs). These AFMs are all students at Rotterdam University of Applied Sciences. In 2019 all students at this University received an anonymous survey about their own alcohol and drug use, and included in the survey were questions about having a relative with addiction. A total of 5,662 students completed the survey; 881 of them were AFMs (15.6%). Compared with students without family members with an addiction, these AFM students had more frequent study delay, reported poorer physical and mental health, were more frequent smokers, and used more stimulant medication and illegal drugs. 30 of these AFM-students disclosed their e-mail address because they wished to collaborate in longitudinal qualitative research. This Webinar will look at what they tell us about the effects on study success of living with the addiction problems of one or more family members.

A link to a recording of this AFINet Webinar, and the PowerPoint presentation, will be available on the AFINet website following this Webinar, as is the case with previous ones. Future AFINet Webinars are advertised on the AFINet website.

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- * brings together researchers, policy-makers, practitioners, and experts through experience;
- * promotes the well-being of family members, friends and colleagues who are affected by or concerned about another person’s problems with or addiction to alcohol, drugs or gambling;
- * and develops research, policy, practice, and advocacy in the field.

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