

LINDSAY'S PARENTS HER WORST ENEMIES?

LINDSAY LOHAN's hard-partying mother and jailbird father are as much to blame for her drug and alcohol problems as she is, say top substance abuse experts.

Inept parenting from Lindsay's mom Dina and dad Michael Lohan will make it harder for their 20-year-old daughter to beat her dangerous addictions, the experts tell *The ENQUIRER*.

"It's outrageous that Lindsay has had to endure such terrible parenting," said Dr. Nathan Kuemmerle, a West Hollywood psychiatrist.

Dina seemed to be absent during Lindsay's first few weeks at the Wonderland rehab center in Los Angeles, which suggests to New York psychologist Dr. Jean Cirillo that Dina might want to be involved "with the glitter and excitement of Lindsay's life, but not the problems that Lindsay's excessive behavior has created.

"It seems to me that Dina is mostly interested in partying with her daughter and being 'the cool mom.'"

Dr. Yvonne Thomas, a psychologist in L.A., says, in her opinion, it's clear that neither parent is providing Lindsay with the stability she needs.

With dad Michael in jail, "Dina is the one parent available to Lindsay," said Dr. Thomas.

"They seem so intertwined through business and family – but when Lindsay needs her most, she isn't even there." Dina is also Lindsay's manager. In early February, Dina – a



BEING 'THE COOL MOM': Dina Lohan carries on with Lindsay

UNDER ARREST: Dad Michael Lohan. At left: A happy family – for the moment



Experts say **THEY FUEL** daughter's addictions

former Rockette at Radio City Music Hall – allowed a television crew full access to her trip from New York to Los Angeles to reunite with Lindsay in rehab. Dr. Thomas thinks that was a huge mistake.

"Lindsay is already in the public eye, she shouldn't have the added burden of her relationship with her mother being made public as well.

"Lindsay needs her mother behind the scenes, not in front of the camera."

Dr. Thomas admits that it can be difficult for parents with famous children to avoid getting caught up in the excesses of their kids' high-profile lives.

"Dina might be overly enjoying the success of her daughter,

and instead of sternly guiding her, she's vicariously living through her. But Lindsay needs her mother to be a solid role model."

As *The ENQUIRER* reported in October, Lindsay and Dina had a public shouting match at a New York restaurant, with Lindsay berating her mother for partying too much and embarrassing her. During the argument, Lindsay screamed at her mother: "Go to hell!"

Added Dr. Kuemmerle: "Lindsay's parents are at least partially to blame for her drug and alcohol problems, and their dysfunctional family life will make it harder for her to recover."

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