

# Nicole terrified back injury will GET KEITH HOOKED ON DRUGS AGAIN!

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## Recovering addict has been **clean almost 2 years**

IT'S déjà vu for Nicole Kidman – who's terrified her hubby Keith Urban could suffer a drug relapse sparked by his recent back injury.

The country crooner, who's a recovering addict, has a painful slipped disc, but he's still touring and has postponed surgery, sources say.

"At some point Keith is likely going to need pain meds, and Nicole's worried that with his addictive personality, all the progress he's made over the past year will slip away," a close family friend told *The ENQUIRER*.

Keith, 40, first entered rehab to battle addictions to cocaine and alcohol in 1998. He relapsed two years later, and again in 2006 and went into rehab for a second time – just four months after their marriage.

But since their daughter Sunday Rose's birth on July 7, life has been good for the A-list couple, the friend said.

"Everything is going so well. Nicole and Keith have the baby of their dreams. They love their new life together, and Keith has been sober for more than a year and a half," the friend added.

Then came Keith's back problem, and reality came crashing in for the 41-year-old actress, said the friend.

"With Keith's diagnosis coming in the middle of his tour and Nicole staying in Australia with the baby, it's no wonder she's concerned," the source said.

Keith announced his back problem while performing in Kelseyville, Calif., recently, but he's continuing his tour in North America, which will include a stop in New York City for the NFL's Kickoff Show.

And he's traveling with a support team to help him stick to his sobriety, said the source.

"Nicole would never tell Keith to cancel his tour," said the friend. "But she's worried sick that he'll need drugs to cope with his pain. One slide – and all his progress could be washed away."

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Nicole carries  
baby Sunday  
Rose on Aug. 11