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Strategic Approach to New
Psychoactive Substances



Effective
Partnership
Working

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GGC Drug Trend
Monitoring Group

GGC NHS
Clinical Services
Review

GGC ADPs

Scottish Government
Drug Policy Unit

GGC Drug Trend Monitoring Group

- Lead forum for development and coordination of NPS related work across GGC
- GGC wide resource sharing information and good practice
- Respond to emerging issues around NPS and club drugs, including public alerts and communications
- Try to improve data collection, helping to identify emerging trends and service need

- Point of contact for NPS related enquiries
- Promoting partnership working
- Identifying training need
- Inputting to the development of training packages
- Linking to addiction strategic planning
- Delivering presentations and training

Membership

NHS GGC

- Health Improvement Alcohol & Drug Team
- Addiction Service
- Acute
- A&E
- Mental Health Services
- Public Health
- Sexual Health

Police Scotland

- National Co-ordinator
- STOP Unit
- Specialist Consultant
- Forensic Scientist

Membership (Cont)

- SG Drug Policy Unit
- ADP Link Co-ordinator
- National Forensic Officer
- Glasgow University Forensic Toxicology
- Scottish Drugs Forum
- CREW2000
- Know the Score

Links

- Scottish Government
- ADPs
- National Drug Trend Monitoring groups
- National Drug Death Forum
- Strategic Planning Groups
- A&E
- Mental Health
- Sexual Health
- Community Safety Glasgow
- BBV treatment providers
- Addiction Teams
- Injecting Equipment Providers
- Homeless Services
- Social Work Services
- LAAC Services
- Communications Teams
- Prisons
- Trading Standards
- Youth Networks
- Third Sector

Areas of Work

- Monitoring Trends
- Identifying Harms-
Actual and potential
- Strategic Planning
- Identifying training
needs
- Developing Training
- Presenting to relevant
bodies
- Drug Alerts
- Media Responses
- Multi agency working
groups
- Investigate research
possibilities
- Service development
and treatment
pathways

Next Steps

- We are constantly learning as we go along
- Improve and encourage data recording and reporting
- Develop effective communication strategies
- Look at prevention and education approach
- Identify education and information resources

- Identify priority groups for targeted training
- Facilitate expert seminars
- Develop Training for Trainers
- Support national NPS research in GGC area
- Service development

Service Development

- Pilot specialist chemsex service
- Pilot specialist injecting equipment provision
- Pilot information service provision at Youth Health Service
- Pilot nitetime economy drug related welfare provision

Challenges

- Forthcoming legislation
- Lack of funding
- Constantly shifting landscape
- Real v Anecdotal use
- Competing priorities
 - services
 - users

Any Questions



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