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Introduction

Welcome to the latest edition of SNAPSHOT. It is prepared by NHS GGC Health Improvement Alcohol and Drugs team. The purpose is to collate and distribute small pieces of up-to-date information obtained from various sources e.g. events, training, reports etc. to share with colleagues with an alcohol/drugs remit. It isn't aimed at the general public or people accessing services but if they found it helpful that is great.

New Publications/Reports/Plans

SDF - Report on Peer Naloxone Supply Project

A new report published by SDF shows the evaluation of the peer-to-peer naloxone programme within three pilot areas: one prison, one rural, one urban.

The project aimed to establish, embed, and support high quality peer supply of naloxone as a core service across Scotland and ensure those involved in peer supply have an active voice in delivery of naloxone and other harm reduction interventions, including the sharing and promotion of good practice.

SDF Publish Report on Peer Naloxone Supply Project – SDF – Scottish Drugs Forum

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Drug Deaths Taskforce response: cross government approach

The cross government response to the Drug Deaths Taskforce report, Changing Lives was published 12th January 2023. The response contains a cross government action plan, response to Taskforce recommendations and a stigma action plan.

This action plan highlights the wide range of areas which have mobilised to support the National Mission and respond to the challenges set by the Taskforce.

Over 80 actions have been set out including existing and new initiatives and details ways that policy and delivery will be refocused to better support the needs of people who use drugs.

Supporting documents - Drug Deaths Taskforce response: cross government approach - gov.scot (www.gov.scot)

Events

Alcohol Awareness Week 2023

The theme for this year's Alcohol Awareness Week is 'Alcohol and cost' and the week takes place from 3-9 July 2023. Alcohol Awareness Week is managed and hosted by Alcohol Change UK. Sign up to their newsletter to find out more about what they have planned! There are so many ways for you to take part. Please sign up to their Alcohol Awareness Week newsletter so that they can keep you posted on ways to get involved and more.

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SDF Conference: Sex, Drugs and BBVs What's Next for Scotland?

The conference will give an overview of progress in developing practice in the areas of sexual health, blood borne viruses and drug use and the key issues we face over the coming years. Scotland's new Sexual Health and BBV Framework will be published by The Scottish Government and will set the agenda for the future activity in this area.

Conferences – SDF – Scottish Drugs Forum

General Information/Blogs

- Impact of minimum unit pricing on alcohol-related hospital outcomes: systematic review | BMJ Open
- New film highlights information gap around alcohol and cancer (reducemyrisk.tv)
 I gave up booze and am having more fun than ever. These seven tips could help
- you do the same | Alcohol | The Guardian
- The clustering of physical health conditions and associations with co-occurring mental health problems and problematic alcohol use: a cross-sectional study | BMC
- Psychiatry | Full Text (biomedcentral.com)

If you would like to contribute to "SNAPSHOT" or have any comments please email: ggc.mhead@ggc.scot.nhs.uk