GAA CLUB MANUAL
FOR DEALING WITH DRUG AND ALCOHOL RELATED ISSUES

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Is cúis mhór áthais dom na focail seo a leanas a scriobh ar fhóilsiú an leabhair thábhachtaithe seo.

While our focus as an association more normally falls on the games we promote and the cultural aspects of our charter, the existence and need for an Alcohol & Substance Abuse Prevention (ASAP) Programme underlines our influence and responsibility in spheres far beyond our traditional boundaries.

Different pressures exist today, especially in more recent times, that impact directly on the lifestyles we lead.

With this in mind the ongoing work of Brendan Murphy in the area of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Prevention and publications such as this are hugely significant, offering as it does a template for our club members and officers who can have a direct influence on the lives of our members and those in the wider community.

I commend everyone working in this area and urge all of our members to grasp the importance of promoting a lifestyle that complements the sporting ideals that go hand in hand with the promotion of our games.

Through initiatives like this we can play a part, not just in our ranks but around the country in general, in helping to shape the lifestyle choices we make and I wish those working on the ground every success in their endeavors.

Rath Dé ar an obair,

Criostóir Ó Cuana –
Uachtarán Chumann Lúthchleas Gael.
FOREWORD

Since the release of the 3rd edition of the GAA Club Manual for Dealing with Drug and Alcohol Related Issues, the ASAP Programme has become embedded in the daily life of clubs all across the country. With our range of resources including information leaflets, pitchside signage, posters, DVD, website on www.gaa.ie/asap and now this new edition of our Manual, clubs are finding that they have significant guidance when it comes to the area of responding to issues relating to alcohol and other drugs.

I remain very grateful for the support for the ASAP Programme that has come from drug, alcohol and youth agencies who support clubs in their work to prevent, educate and respond to drug and alcohol issues across the 32 counties. Our aim to reduce the harm that is caused by alcohol and drugs, has been furthered by our working relationships with the dedicated and hardworking staff from these agencies, who have generously aided clubs in the development and implementation of numerous initiatives.

Alongside the constant encouragement from Croke Park, Provincial Councils and County Committees, the support of the Health Service Executive has been invaluable and without this our current position would be untenable. Over 1400 ASAP Club Officers have already been appointed to the Programme through the following structure...

I extend a heartfelt ‘Thank you’ to these men and women for all their efforts to date. The ASAP Programme would be but a concept if not for the Club Officers willingness to take on the role and put policies and practices into place on a club by club basis for the good of their fellow members. I’d like also to give special thanks to the County and Provincial ASAP Officers who work quietly in the background and whose guidance makes sure that the spirit of the Programme is brought to bear in its implementation. May their unswerving support be recognised and remembered for a long time to come.

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SECTION ONE

HOW TO DEVELOP A CLUB DRUG AND ALCOHOL POLICY

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Introduction

In order to respond effectively to drug and alcohol related problems every club must develop a Club Drug and Alcohol Policy that is appropriate to the local area. A sample policy has been added to the appendix to aid clubs in this regard. This can be carried out by clubs individually or by clustering clubs together in an area, division or county. To successfully complete this undertaking it is essential that every club appoint a Club ASAP Officer who will work under the guidance of the ASAP Programme County Officer.

All clubs should begin the process of forming their own policy. This can be done on a club by club basis but is more likely to be successful if done in conjunction with other clubs in their area. Developing a drug policy is not just about writing down a few guidelines and filing it away somewhere. It is a process that informs and educates the people involved in creating the policy. This in turn leads to a fuller understanding of all the issues that need to be considered when responding to a drug or alcohol related incident. By following the guidelines below, members from every level of the club will get the opportunity to have an input into the development of the policy.

Role of ASAP Club Officer

Every club needs to select a person to be their ASAP Club Officer to help implement the ASAP Programme in their club. The role of the ASAP Club Officer is to be the link between their club and the ASAP County Officer. Ideally the Club ASAP Officer will be someone who is interested in furthering the aim of the Programme and has a balanced attitude to alcohol and other drugs. The main duties of the ASAP Club Officer will include…

• To be the contact person for the ASAP Programme in his/her club.
• To liaise with his/her ASAP County Officer on how to roll out the ASAP Programme in his/her club.
• Co-ordinate the development of a Club Drug and Alcohol Policy as laid out in Section One of this manual.
• To familiarise him/herself fully with the…
  GAA Manual for Dealing with Drug and Alcohol Related Issues
  ASAP website on www.gaa.ie/asap
  Club Matters DVD
  The services offered by local drug and alcohol agencies

As the ASAP Programme is there to assist members of all ages in the club, the Club ASAP Officer will need to be someone who is well regarded by adults and young people alike.

The ASAP Club Officer is not expected to be an expert in dealing with drugs related issues or to sort out all the problems on their own but rather to take on a coordinating role for the ASAP Programme with the club.
Three useful points to consider

When forming a Club Drug and Alcohol Policy it is useful to consider the three following areas relating to drugs and alcohol.

The vast majority of people involved in the GAA do not have a drug and alcohol problem and the ASAP programme is helping to ensure that this remains the case. It is important that all parents, officials, staff and mentors follow the law when it comes to illegal drugs, alcohol and tobacco and display leadership and good example particularly when dealing with underage members. There are definite actions that can be taken to strengthen this position and prevent drug and alcohol problems in the GAA. By deliberately changing some of our current behaviours as adults we are helping to reduce the use of drugs and alcohol among our young people. We can choose to...
• Not fill the cup with alcohol during celebrations.
• Not smoke or drink alcohol in the presence of juvenile members during matches, training sessions or club outings.
• Not sell cigarettes in the clubhouse.
• Not have medal ceremonies and celebrations for juvenile teams in pubs.
• Not bring young people to pubs on the way home from matches, outings or training sessions.
• Phase out alcohol advertisements on club jerseys.

These are some of the things that we can choose to do to reduce young peoples exposure to alcohol.

2. Education about drugs and alcohol.
Education programmes that increase our knowledge and skills are essential to help us effectively deal with drug and alcohol issues. Education about drugs and alcohol is most effective if provided in the broader context of child protection and club development.
• Education works best in small bite-sized pieces and if it’s done over a period of time rather than in one big event.
• The use of an outside visitor/speaker to enhance an education event is helpful.
• Do not use scare tactics to educate as these have been shown to be the least helpful way of encouraging people to change their behaviour.
• Education about drugs and alcohol should not just be aimed at young people as adults need to be abreast of what is happening in the changing trends of drug and alcohol use.
• Visitors are not to be allowed to educate young people in the absence of parents/coaches.

3. Responding to drug and alcohol incidents in the club.
Because of the extent of drug and alcohol use it can be expected that some or possibly all of the following drug/alcohol related incidents will occur over the lifetime of every club in the country.
• Persons being drunk/stoned on club property.
• Disclosure about problematic drug/alcohol use.
• Finding alcohol/drugs or associated paraphernalia.
• Illegal possession or supply of alcohol or drugs.
Because of the secretive nature of drug use and underage alcohol use, club officials may often find themselves dealing with allegations that are based on hearsay and rumour. Were such allegations to become widely known it could have a ruinous effect on the lives of many people. Allegations of this nature should always be treated sensitively and seriously. Club officials must have full regard for due process and allow for other possible explanatory circumstances to be fully investigated.

Every club should form links with professional drug and alcohol services in their county to assist them in the management of alcohol and drug related incidents. A full list of these services and how to access them will be available from the ASAP Programme County Officer, the ASAP Programme National Coordinator and at www.gaa.ie/asap. Many of the contact details of these agencies are in the ‘Where to Get Help’ section of this manual.

There are many factors that need to be taken into account when Club Executive are faced with making a decision on what action to take on confirmation of a club member being involved in a drug/alcohol related incident. These include;

(i) The type of drug/alcohol incident
- Was it for personal use or supply to friends or dealing on a wider scale?
- What are the risks to the individual(s), the club and the wider community if another incident like this were to happen again?

(ii) The history of the person(s) involved
- Was this a first offence or part of a pattern?
- Has he/she expressed willingness to change or if necessary, get help?
- What effects will actions taken by the club have on the person’s wider life?

(iii) Possible responses
The Club Executive can choose to act in any of the following ways in response to a drug/alcohol related incident. It is crucial that the rationale and reasons for any decisions/actions taken are clearly recorded.
- Take no action (i.e. unsubstantiated rumours).
- Inform parents/guardians (almost always advisable if dealing with an U18 unless by doing so would put the young person at more serious risk of harm).
- Inform Gardaí/PSNI (necessary if a serious criminal act has taken place).
- Verbal or written warning to person(s) involved.
- Temporary suspension.
- Permanent expulsion.

The Club ASAP Officer will be a valuable asset for Club Executive in dealing with these issues and he/she can draw on the support of the ASAP Programme County Officer and the other resources of the ASAP Programme.
What is a Club Drug and Alcohol Policy?

A Club Drug and Alcohol Policy sets out in writing the framework the club will use to manage drug and alcohol related issues. The policy applies to the entire club including coaches, parents/guardians, players and all users of the club buildings and grounds. The process of developing a Club Drug and Alcohol Policy is best undertaken in a step-by-step approach as outlined in the seven steps to follow. They are easily followed and most people find the process both interesting and informative. By following these steps every club will educate their members and gain a greater understanding of the issues involved.

**STEP 1: Establish a sub-committee to develop the Club Drug & Alcohol Policy**

The core committee for developing the Policy should involve the participation of management, coaches, parents/guardians and young people.
- Young people must be members of the sub-committee.
- Club Executive should be members of the sub-committee.
- Keep the committee to a maximum of eight people.

**STEP 2: Study relevant resource documents and legislation**

In recent years, many resource materials about alcohol and drugs have been developed. The information contained in this manual will also be of use.
- Consult the ASAP website at www.gaa.ie/asap.
- Consult the website www.drugs.ie to find up to date information on drugs and alcohol.
- Read the Report of the GAA Task Force on Alcohol and Substance Abuse. It can be downloaded on www.gaa.ie/page/official_reports.
- Contact the local Health Promotion Department for helpful publications about alcohol and drugs (see page 118).
- Contact local Gardai/PSNI, to get more details on the alcohol and drug laws.

**STEP 3: Review the situation in the club regarding drug and alcohol issues**

Different clubs may have different needs and issues about drugs and alcohol depending on the type of problems they have encountered in the past and the part of the country they are situated in.
- Spend time discussing the drug/alcohol issues that previously happened in the club.
- Talk about the types of drug/alcohol issues that are likely to occur in the future.
- Centre the policy around these issues to make it relevant to the membership.
**STEP 4: Prepare a draft Club Drug and Alcohol Policy (See pages 123 - 125)**

A Club Drug and Alcohol Policy is usually only a couple of pages in length and does not need to be particularly complex. To follow is a list of items that it must contain.

**Name of the policy**
- Title it ‘Club Drug and Alcohol Policy for ____________________ Club’.
- Sign and date it to signify when and by whom it was drafted.

**Scope of the Drug and Alcohol Policy**
- Emphasise that the policy is in force at all times at GAA facilities and during all activities conducted under the aegis of Cumann Lúthchleas Gael.

**Definition of the word “drug”**
- A “drug” shall be defined as all mood altering substances, both legal and illegal, and includes substances such as alcohol, tobacco, solvents, prescribed medication and over-the-counter products.

**Rationale for having a Club Drug and Alcohol Policy**
- All clubs are bound by the commitment of Cumann Lúthchleas Gael and the Irish Sports Council to the philosophy of “Discouraging the use of drugs, alcohol and tobacco on the basis that they are incompatible with a healthy approach to sporting activity”.

**Roles and Responsibilities**
The Club ASAP Officer is responsible for overseeing the development, implementation and evaluation of the Club Drug and Alcohol Policy.
- List the contact details of the Club ASAP Officer in the policy to assist with queries or suggestions.

**Timeframe**
Make sure that the draft policy clearly states when the completed policy will come into force and when it will be subject to review. Review the policy annually and after any significant drug or alcohol related incident to see if it is operating effectively.

**Education about alcohol and drug use**
A variety of approaches will be required. Parents and coaches will require education that teaches them how to talk to young people about drugs and alcohol whereas young people will require education that has a healthy lifestyle focus.
- State how often and what types of drug education will be provided in the club.
- Do not use “fear-based” drug education methods that try to scare people away from using alcohol and drugs as these are the least effective and the least credible among young people.

**Outline of Restrictions**
The possession, use, supply of illegal drugs or presenting under the influence of alcohol/drugs are viewed as unacceptable by Cumann Lúthchleas Gael and are punishable by warnings, suspensions and expulsions as deemed appropriate.

**Reporting of Incidents**
Suspected, alleged or confirmed incidents in breach of this policy must be referred to the Chairman of the Club concerned.
- The Chairman will inform the Executive and the Executive will decide on the appropriate response in line with the Club Drug and Alcohol Policy.
Recording of Information

Information regarding suspected, alleged or confirmed incidents in breach of the policy received by the Executive should be minuted in the usual way. The recording of factual information is preferable, and all opinions must be stated as such. It is very important that any information received is treated as confidential. This will help protect the integrity of the club and all persons involved.

• Responses of the Executive to cases will also be recorded in this way.
• Only in confirmed cases will names of individuals be recorded.
• Use the ‘Report Form for Recording Alcohol & Drug Related Incidents’ (page 122)

Involving Parents/Guardians

• It will be standard practice to inform parents/guardians if their child is involved in a drug/alcohol related incident. Their involvement and support is seen as essential in the resolution of these difficulties. Parents/guardians will be invited to discuss what has happened and will be included in deciding which course of action to be taken.

Search

• When writing the Club Drug and Alcohol Policy use the sentence… ‘Cumann Lúthchleas Gael retains the right to search any part of its property if there is reasonable cause to believe a substance in breach of this policy may be contained therein’.
• Two officials/mentors of the unit concerned must be present during any form of search.

Involving Gardaí or PSNI

In suspected or alleged incidents involving the supply of illegal drugs, it is the policy of CLG to inform the Gardaí/PSNI and have them present during a search of any part of the club property.

Disposing of (Suspected) Illegal Drugs

If an illegal drug (or suspected illegal drug) is found on club property or during a club related activity, it should be brought to the attention of the Chairman of the club concerned.

• Store the substance securely and inform the Gardaí/PSNI to arrange for it’s disposal.
• Two officials/mentors should be present during any procedures involving handling of illegal substances.
• The substances should not be removed from the building by anyone other than the Gardaí/PSNI or someone acting on their behalf.

Availability, Use and Storage of Solvents and Gases

There are a large number of solvent based products that can be bought easily and have the potential to be abused. These include paints, thinners, deodorants, air fresheners, cleaning fluids, pain relief spray and plaster removal spray.

• All solvent based materials and gases should be stored securely where the public does not have access to them.

Use of Performance Enhancing Substances/Methods

The guidelines set out in the GAA Anti-Doping Code must be adhered to. The Code is based upon the Irish Anti-Doping Rules as adopted by the Irish Sports Council. Information on the GAA Anti-Doping Code can be found on www.medicalwelfare.gaa.ie/antidoping.html. Detailed information on all aspects of doping in sport can be found on www.irishsportscouncil.ie/Anti-Doping.
STEP 5: Amend and finalise the draft policy
Circulate the draft policy as widely as possible for the views of young people, parents/guardians, club members and club executive.
• Ask for feedback from a professional legal advisor.
• Involve those parents and young people who might not normally be reached.
• Revise the policy on the basis of the feedback received from this process.

STEP 6: Ratify, circulate and implement the agreed policy
When the finalised draft policy has been ratified by the Club Executive it becomes the agreed Club Drug and Alcohol Policy.
• Circulate the finished policy to everyone connected to the club.
• Give a copy of the Club Drug and Alcohol Policy to all existing members and all new members upon joining.
• Choose a date when the policy comes into effect.
• Display and advertise the policy on the club website/newsletter.
• Promote your policy through the local media.

STEP 7: Monitor, review and evaluate the policy
A review of the Club Drug & Alcohol Policy should be carried out at least once each year by the ASAP Club Officer. This will help make the policy a ‘living document’ and give the club a chance to build on the work that has been done to date and plan for what needs to happen in the future. When reviewing the policy, do so with this question in mind “If .... were to happen here, what would we do”.
• Review after every drug/alcohol related incident to judge its effectiveness.
• Be aware of changes to legislation and to the local drink and drug scene.
• Evaluate the policy within the Club Planning and Development framework.
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HOW TO TALK TO SOMEONE ABOUT THEIR DRUG OR ALCOHOL USE

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SECTION TWO - HOW TO TALK TO SOMEONE ABOUT THEIR DRUG OR ALCOHOL USE

Introduction

Most people know someone who has a drink problem and most people under the age of 30 know someone who uses drugs. This section is designed to help you know what to say and what not to say if you want to talk to someone about their use of alcohol or drugs.

What are the signs of drug taking?

It is often difficult to tell if someone is using drugs. Different people react to substances in different ways and the signs of drug misuse in one person could be due to some other factors in someone else. It’s therefore easy to jump to the wrong conclusion.

Below is a list of some signs to look for, but remember that some of these (especially the changes in behaviour) can occur without drugs playing any part. Someone might just be going through a particularly difficult period in their life.

Behavioural signs

• A change of friends
• Lack of concentration
• Sudden mood swings
• Lying and deceitfulness
• Stealing money or goods
• Abnormal sleep patterns or insomnia
• Secretiveness about activities and whereabouts
• Loss of interest in old friends, school/college, work, hobbies

Physical signs

• Drowsiness
• Borrowing money
• Appearing intoxicated
• Loss of appetite
• Weight loss
• Needle marks and unexplained bruises
• Unusual smells, stains or marks on the body or clothes

Drugs paraphernalia

• Shredded cigarettes
• Needles and syringes
• Small weighing scales
• Scorched tin-foil or spoons
• Strong, sweet, smoky smell
• Small, elaborately folded pieces of paper
• Unusual powders, tablets, capsules or liquids
• Herbal substances or solid, crumbly, brown resin
What is Substance Abuse & Addiction?

Substance abuse and addiction are different but related. A person can abuse a drug or alcohol without having an addiction. For example, just because a person smoked cannabis a few times doesn't mean that he or she has an addiction, but if they were to continue it could lead to an addiction. When we think of addiction, we usually think of alcohol or illegal drugs. But people can become addicted to other things including legal medications, cigarettes and all sorts of behaviours including gambling and sex. Drug/alcohol addiction means a person has very little control over whether he or she uses a drug or drinks. It is important to remember that addiction can be physical, psychological, or both.

Physical addiction is when a person's body becomes dependent on a particular substance e.g. tobacco is physically addictive. It also means that s/he builds a tolerance to that substance, so that they need a larger dose than before to get the same effects. When a person who is physically addicted stops using drugs/alcohol s/he may experience withdrawal symptoms. Withdrawal from a physical addiction can be anywhere along a continuum from mild to life threatening. It can range from the symptoms of a mild ‘flu to extreme discomfort and illness depending on the extent of the addiction and the substance in question.

Psychological addiction is when a person regularly feels overcome by the desire to have a drug or take part in the behaviour (e.g. gambling). They may also secretly feel ashamed and lie or steal to conceal what they are doing. Withdrawal from a psychological addiction can manifest as aches, pains and general feelings of unease through to more serious cases where severe psychological distress can occur.

Signs of Addiction

The most obvious sign of an addiction is that a person has a very strong need to have a particular substance or engage in a particular behaviour. There are other signs that can suggest a possible addiction that are listed below. However it is important to note that these can be signs of other conditions too, such as depression, eating disorders or physical illness. Common signs of a drug/alcohol addiction include:

**Psychological signs**
- Use of drugs/alcohol as a way to forget problems or to relax
- Withdrawal from friends and family
- Keeping secrets about behaviour
- Loss of interest in activities that used to be important
- Problems with school or work, such as slipping grades or absences
- Spending more time with people who use drugs/alcohol
- Spending a lot of time figuring out how to get drugs/alcohol
- Failed attempts to stop taking drugs/alcohol
- Anxiety, anger or depression

**Physical signs**
- Changes in sleeping habits and shaking or sick in the morning time
- Needing to take more drugs/alcohol to get the same effect
- Changes in eating habits, including weight loss or gain
How to talk to someone about their alcohol or drug use

Talk to the person when he/she is sober. What you have to say will have more impact when they are clear thinking rather than when they are drunk or stoned. Restrict your comments to what you feel and what you have experienced of their behaviour. Use ‘I statements’ when you speak. These cannot be disputed so easily. For example saying something like "I want to talk to you because I am worried about you" or "I don’t like to see what’s been happening to you lately as you mean a lot to me" are much more likely to be accepted than remarks like, “Everyone’s disgusted with you”, or, “Mary thinks you have a real problem”. These will probably lead to arguments about Mary’s problems or who ‘everyone’ is. It is better to avoid such generalisations and speak about your own feelings and observations.

It is rarely useful to get involved in name calling and labelling people. However it is important to openly discuss the negative consequences of their drinking or drug use. Use concrete examples of things that you have seen happening.

LESS HELPFUL

Everyone’s disgusted with you.

MORE HELPFUL

I want to talk to you because I am worried about you.

LESS HELPFUL

You’re an alcoholic.

LESS HELPFUL

You can’t hold your drink.

MORE HELPFUL

I was left standing there when you passed out. The next day you were too hung over to go training. That is the third time this month that has happened.
Emphasise the difference between sober behaviour that you like and drinking behaviour that you dislike.

Be sure to distinguish between the person and the behaviour.

It may also be helpful to talk about your concerns with other people you trust who know the person. You are likely to find that there are others who share the same concerns as you. You may also find that some of them will try to excuse his/her behaviour and want to brush it under the carpet.
What NOT to do

Don’t lecture or moralise. Remain factual, listen to their side of the story as they will have reasons for drinking or using drugs like they do. Try your best to be non-judgmental with them. Their behaviour might not make sense to you but it does to them on some level.

The more understanding you are, the more likely they are to talk about why they are behaving as they are.

Don’t accuse or argue. If they get angry or try to provoke you, remind yourself to remain calm and to stay focused on their drinking or drug use. If they start pointing out your own shortcomings it is best to accept them and keep going by saying something like...

These can be difficult conversations to have. It is important that you emphasise to him/her that you are doing it because you care. Don’t give up. If they seem resistant, you can bring it up later or let them know you’re there for them if they ever want to talk. If you are going to ask a person under the age of 18 about their drug or alcohol use it is good practice to let their parents know in advance.

If you want to find out more about talking to people about their drinking or drug use look at the GAA ‘Club Matters’ DVD. It can be accessed through your ASAP County Officer or from the ASAP National Office. It may also help to read ‘Straight Talk: A Guide for Parents on Teenage Drinking’ or ‘Don’t lose the head’. Both of them are available on www.drugs.ie.
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DRUGS AND THEIR EFFECTS

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BENZODIAZEPINES

STREET NAME:
Valium or Benzos.

BRAND NAME:
There are many benzodiazepines in use - the most common ones include Valium, Xanax, Rohypnol and Normison.

DESCRIPTION:
Benzodiazepines are a large family of medicines that come in a variety of shapes, sizes and colours and are available in tablet, capsule and liquid forms.

DRUG EFFECT:
Benzodiazepines are a group of prescription drugs that are widely abused. They cause the user to feel relaxed and less anxious. Benzodiazepines are sometimes used by people when drinking to accentuate the effect of alcohol. This can be a dangerous practice as it is relatively easy to overdose when mixed with alcohol. Benzodiazepines are also used to ease the "crash" from drugs such as speed, ecstasy and cocaine.

STREET USE:
Swallowed.

THERAPEUTIC USE:
Benzodiazepines are prescribed to treat anxiety or help people to sleep.

DEPENDENCY:
Benzodiazepines are among the most addictive drugs in current use. Despite this, these drugs tend to be over-prescribed and this has led to widespread use and dependency among many people who began taking them under medical advice. Benzodiazepines should not be used continuously for more than 3 weeks as dependency can start to form.

WITHDRAWAL:
Effects of benzodiazepines last up to 24 hours and withdrawal symptoms can begin between one and seven days after the last dose. Symptoms include anxiety, restlessness, tremors, feelings of unreality and distortion of perceptions. Symptoms may last for a number of months.

OVERDOSE RISK:
The risk of death from overdose is very high when mixed with other painkilling drugs, sleep inducing drugs or alcohol.

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SPECIAL NOTE:
Withdrawal from benzodiazepines can be dangerous. There is a risk of seizure during the withdrawal period and as a result a gradual reduction in dosage is advised. The gradual withdrawal regime is best carried out under medical supervision.
BENZYLPIPERAZINE

STREET NAME:
BZP, Legal E, Pep pills.

BRAND NAME:
XXX, Legal X, Majic, Elevate.

DESCRIPTION:
Tablets or capsules of varying shapes, sizes and colours. Its’ use in Ireland has grown over the last few years as it was being sold via the internet and through ‘head shops’ as a legal product prior to it being made illegal in March 2009.

DRUG EFFECT:
Benzylpiperazine has an effect that is similar to ecstasy. Users report it causes alertness, euphoria and a general sense of well being over a 4 to 6 hour period.

STREET USE:
Benzylpiperazine is swallowed in tablet or pill form.

THERAPEUTIC USE:
None.

DEPENDENCY:
There appears to be a low risk of physical dependency and a mild risk of psychological dependency.

WITHDRAWAL:
There are no reported withdrawal symptoms.

LONG TERM USE:
As the use of this drug is relatively new there is very little reliable information available on the long term use of benzylpiperazine in its’ current form. Early reports include long term effects such as seizures, irregular heart beat, fainting, impotence and mild memory loss.

OVERDOSE RISK:
While there are no clear reports of death resulting solely from benzylpiperazine use, it has been implicated in a number of deaths where it was used alongside alcohol and ecstasy. The most typical overdose reactions are psychotic episodes and seizures.

MAXIMUM LEGAL PENALTIES:
Benzylpiperazine became a controlled drug under the Misuse of Drugs Acts in the Rep. of Ireland on March 31st 2009. The Misuse of Drugs Act in Northern Ireland is expected to change similarly in the near future. Sales of benzylpiperazine is currently covered in Northern Ireland under the 1968 Medicines Act.

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CANNABIS

STREET NAME:
Hash, Blow, Draw, Pot, Dope, Grass.

DESCRIPTION:
• Cannabis resin (hash - most common),
  small blocks/lumps of brown resinous material.
• Herbal cannabis (marijuana) - less common, resembles dried grass or leaves.
• Cannabis oil - least common, brown to black coloured thick oil.

DRUG EFFECT:
Cannabis is a mild hallucinogen with a mild sedative effect. Smoking cannabis causes a number of physical effects including increased pulse rate, decreased blood pressure, bloodshot eyes, increased appetite and occasional dizziness. Effects start within a few minutes and may last several hours depending on how much is taken. When eaten the effects take longer to start but may last longer. Eating cannabis heightens the risk of having unpleasant effects. Generally cannabis makes people relax but the experience can vary greatly depending on the users mood and what they expect to happen. Many people find that when they first use cannabis nothing much happens. They may become giggly and very talkative or alternatively quieter and subdued. Users often report that they become more aware of music and colours and that time seems to slow down.

STREET USE:
Cannabis is most commonly smoked in a hand rolled cigarette (joint), or a homemade pipe (bong), but can also be eaten.

THERAPEUTIC USE:
None.

DEPENDENCY:
There is a mild to moderate risk of psychological dependency.

WITHDRAWAL:
There are no physical withdrawal symptoms reported but heavy users may experience restlessness, depression, loss of appetite, sleep difficulties and nightmares.

LONG TERM USE:
There are respiratory and memory problems associated with smoking cannabis and mental health problems can occur with heavy use. There is also an increased risk of cannabis users being involved in accidents.

OVERDOSE RISK:
Very unlikely, although vomiting can occur when taken for the first few times.

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COCAIN

STREET NAME:
Coke, Charlie, Snow.

DESCRIPTION:
Cocaine is a white powder.

DRUG EFFECT:
Cocaine is a strong but short acting stimulant drug. It tends to make users feel more alert and energetic. Many users say they feel very confident and physically strong and believe they have great mental capacities. Common physical effects include dry mouth, sweating, loss of appetite and increased heart and pulse rate. At higher dose levels users may feel very anxious and panicky. The effects from snorting cocaine start quickly and last for up to 30 minutes.

STREET USE:
Most users sniff short lines of cocaine up their nose, often through a rolled banknote or straw.

THERAPEUTIC USE:
As local anaesthetic for eye, ear and nasal surgery.

DEPENDENCY:
There is no physical dependency on cocaine but there is a very strong psychological dependency that can display itself in physical symptoms such as diarrhoea, vomiting, trembling, insomnia and sweating.

WITHDRAWAL:
No physical withdrawal symptoms but after the "high", users experience a "crash" when they feel extremely tired and depressed.

LONG TERM USE
Risks of long term use of cocaine include cardiovascular and gastrointestinal complications, involuntary muscle movement, strokes, seizures, nausea, blurred vision and convulsions.

OVERDOSE RISK:
Excessive doses can cause death from respiratory or heart failure but this is rare. High doses can result in increased body temperature, extreme agitation, convulsions and respiratory arrest. Overdose risk increases if cocaine is mixed with other drugs such as ecstasy, speed or alcohol. Large doses or quickly repeating doses over a period of hours can lead to extreme anxiety, outbursts of violence, paranoia and hallucinations.

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CRACK COCAINE

STREET NAME:
Crack, Freebase, Rocks.

DESCRIPTION:
Crack is a smokeable form of cocaine made into small lumps/chips or ‘rocks’. It is usually smoked in a pipe, glass tube, plastic bottle or in foil. It gets its name from the cracking sound it makes when it is burned.

DRUG EFFECT:
Crack is a strong but short acting stimulant drug. It tends to make users feel more alert and energetic. Many users feel very confident and physically strong and believe they have great mental capacities. Common physical effects include dry mouth, sweating, loss of appetite and increased heart and pulse rate. At higher dose levels users may feel very anxious and panicky. The effects from smoking crack are almost immediate and last for a few minutes.

STREET USE:
Usually smoked in a pipe.

THERAPEUTIC USE
None.

DEPENDENCY:
While crack does not cause physical dependency there is a very significant psychological dependency that can display itself in physical symptoms such as diarrhoea, vomiting, trembling, insomnia, anorexia and sweating.

WITHDRAWAL:
A heavy user of crack will become very tolerant to the drug in a short period of time. Once the user stops, which can prove very difficult for a regular or heavy user, they will very quickly start to feel tired, panicky, exhausted and unable to sleep, often causing extreme emotional and physical distress.

LONG TERM USE
Users who smoke crack cocaine over a protracted period of time are subject to the same risks of those who use powdered cocaine and some additional ones including aggressive and paranoid behaviour, acute respiratory problems, severe chest pains and lung trauma with bleeding.

OVERDOSE RISK:
Excessive doses can cause death from respiratory or heart failure but this is rare. High doses can result in increase in body temperature, extreme agitation, convulsions and respiratory arrest. Large doses or quickly repeating doses over a period of hours can lead to extreme anxiety, outbursts of violence, paranoia and hallucinations. Overdose risk increases if crack is mixed with other drugs such as heroin or alcohol.

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SECTION THREE - DRUGS AND THEIR EFFECTS

CODEINE

STREET NAME:
DF's, Diffs, Solpo's.

BRAND NAME:
• DF118 (Galen) • DHC Continus (Napp)
• Solpadeine (Smith Kline Beecham) • Nurofen Plus (Crookes Healthcare)

DESCRIPTION:
Codeine is found in a number of different medicines including over-the-counter (OTC) medicines (Solpadeine, Nurofen Plus) and prescription-only medicines (DHC, DF118). Doses range from 8-60mg of codeine in each tablet or capsule. Codeine is also available in liquid formulas.

DRUG EFFECT:
Codeine is a painkiller that depresses the central nervous system. It slows down body functioning and reduces physical and psychological pain. The effects are similar to most painkillers, a relief from pain, feelings of well-being, feelings of warmth, relaxation and detachment, nausea, pinpoint pupils, reduction in body temperature and blood pressure. It also slows down the heart rate and may cause drowsiness. Codeine can also stop people feeling anxious.

STREET USE:
Swallowed. There is a lot of anecdotal evidence to suggest widespread abuse of OTC medicines that contain codeine. This in part may be due to the fact that they are readily available.

THERAPEUTIC USE:
The guidelines for use that accompany each medicine should be carefully observed. Codeine is used to relieve mild to moderate pain.

DEPENDENCY:
There is a high risk of physical and psychological dependency.

WITHDRAWAL:
Withdrawal symptoms appear 8-24 hours after the last dose. Symptoms resemble severe flu together with diarrhoea. Symptoms peak around the third day and fade after 5 to 10 days. Sleep difficulties, cravings and mood swings may continue for some weeks.

LONG TERM USE:
Regular use of codeine will lead to constipation and may cause breathing difficulties. It will also lead to irregular periods for women.

OVERDOSE RISK:
Moderate to high, although risk of overdose increases significantly if codeine is mixed with other drugs, especially other painkilling drugs or alcohol.

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These penalties do not apply to OTC medicines.
CREATINE

Creatine has been included in this section to correct some of the misinformation that is currently in circulation.

**CREATINE IS NOT A DRUG!**

**BRAND NAMES:**
Maximuscle, Muscletech, Nutrition X, etc.

**DESCRIPTION:**
Creatine is a protein naturally produced from amino acids by the body and is also found in foods such as fish and meat. Creatine phosphate is the primary source of energy in the muscle during intense bursts of high intensity exercise. Creatine is also sold in powdered and capsule forms in sports and health stores.

**EFFECT:**
Creatine is used to increase muscle bulk and strength. There is some scientific evidence that taking creatine supplements can marginally increase athletic performance in some sports. Creatine usually leads to rapid weight gain. The weight gain is mainly caused by water retention in the muscles and not by muscle growth. This weight gain may actually slow athletes down by adding to their body weight and this cancels out the benefits. Creatine won’t work for everyone, as approximately 30% are non-responders.

**USE:**
The guidelines for use that accompany each creatine product should be carefully observed. With creatine more is NOT better!

**DEPENDENCY:**
There is no risk of physical or psychological dependency from using creatine.

**LONG TERM USE:**
The risks associated with long term use of creatine are as yet unproven. Anecdotal reports of adverse reactions have included anxiety, atrial fibrillation, diarrhoea, dyspnoea, fatigue, migraine headaches, myopathy, nausea, vomiting, rashes and seizures. Concern has also been expressed about potential negative effects on the liver and kidneys.

**OVERDOSE RISK:**
There is no risk of overdose from creatine, however exceeding the guidelines for use is likely to cancel out any benefits from using it.

**MAXIMUM LEGAL PENALTIES:**
Creatine is NOT an illegal substance controlled by the Misuse of Drugs Acts nor is it a controlled substance barred by the World Anti-Doping Agency or the International Olympic Committee. However, although creatine is a legal supplement, an EU-wide study found the 25% of creatine products contained traces of banned substances.

**SPECIAL NOTE:**
There are many myths about creatine. These are some common ones…
‘Creatine is a steroid’ - FALSE  ‘Creatine is a hormone’- FALSE  ‘Creatine is a stimulant’ - FALSE  ‘The more I take the stronger I’lI become’ - FALSE
ECSTASY

STREET NAME:
Ecstasy, E, Yokes, Doves, Mitsubishi.

DESCRIPTION:
Any colour, any shape tablets usually bearing a logo or design.

DRUG EFFECT:
Ecstasy is a stimulant drug that also has mild hallucinogenic effects. It has been described as being like a mix of amphetamine and a weak form of LSD. The effects start after 20-60 minutes and can last for up to several hours. The pupils become dilated, the jaw tightens and there is often brief nausea, sweating, dry mouth and throat. The blood pressure and heart rate increases and loss of appetite is common. Ecstasy was originally linked to the club music scene in the early 1990’s but its use grew exponentially since then and it has become one of the most widely used drugs. Many users experience an initial rushing feeling followed by a combination of feeling energetic and yet calm. Loss of anger, empathy with other people and an enhanced sense of communication are commonly reported.

STREET USE:
It is taken by mouth in tablet form or mixed in a drink.

THERAPEUTIC USE:
None.

DEPENDENCY:
There is no risk of physical dependency and a moderate to high risk of psychological dependency.

WITHDRAWAL:
Fatigue and depression are common when regular ecstasy use has ceased.

LONG TERM USE:
Regular use of ecstasy is likely to lead to episodes of depression and memory problems. It has also been linked to an increased frequency of urinary tract infections in women.

OVERDOSE RISK:
At higher doses ecstasy can cause anxiety, panic attacks, insomnia, hallucinations and paranoia. Pre-existing conditions such as high blood pressure, glaucoma and epilepsy can be exacerbated. Ecstasy has been linked to hyperthermia (heatstroke) where the body’s temperature regulation system is affected, causing the body to overheat. Death by overdose is rare.

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HAWAIIAN BABY WOODROSE

STREET NAME:
Morning Glory, Legal Acid.

DESCRIPTION:
Light brown or tan coloured seed. Hawaiian baby woodrose has a long history of use in religious ceremonies in Hawaii and parts of South America. Its use in Ireland has grown over the last few years as it is being sold via the internet and through ‘head shops’ as a legal product.

DRUG EFFECT:
Hawaiian baby woodrose is a powerful hallucinogen similar to LSD. The main effects begin after an hour and typically last for 4-8 hours. Reported effects include changes in perception of time, sounds and vision, euphoria and extreme tiredness. Hawaiian baby woodrose can cause uterine contractions, which may lead to miscarriage if the seeds are consumed while pregnant.

STREET USE:
Hawaiian baby woodrose seeds can be swallowed whole or crushed and mixed with hot water to make a ‘tea’.

THERAPEUTIC USE:
None.

DEPENDENCY:
There is no risk of physical dependency and minimum risk of psychological dependency.

WITHDRAWAL:
No withdrawal symptoms have been reported.

LONG TERM USE:
Flashbacks (re-experiencing previous drug effects) are occasionally reported. There is a significant risk of psychological disturbance with heavy use.

OVERDOSE RISK:
An overdose of Hawaiian baby woodrose may result in a psychotic episode that would require psychiatric treatment.

MAXIMUM LEGAL PENALTIES:
Hawaiian baby woodrose is not currently covered in the Misuse of Drugs Acts in the Rep. of Ireland and Northern Ireland although the law may be changed to include it in the future.

SPECIAL NOTE
If the user is having a ‘bad trip’ (i.e. experiencing terror or paranoia) it helps to reduce lighting and noise levels and talk to the person in a low calm voice and reassure them that the effects will wear off.
KETAMINE

STREET NAME: Special K.

BRAND NAME: Ketalar, Ketaject (Parke-Davis)

DESCRIPTION:
Ketamine comes in a variety of forms, ranging from its liquid pharmaceutical state, for injecting, through to a white powder or pill to be taken orally. Ketamine is a powerful anaesthetic drug that is used during veterinary surgery usually for large animals. In the early 1990’s it found its way on to the club and rave scene when people took it thinking they were buying ecstasy. It then became more established so that people bought it by choice.

DRUG EFFECT:
Ketamine has pain-killing effects but also alters perception. People who use it commonly say they feel detached from themselves and others around them. At low doses (roughly 100mg), the user will feel euphoric and experience rushes or waves of energy. At higher doses (200mg and over) the user will often experience hallucinations, similar to LSD. This is often followed by numbness and muscle spasms. Users may also feel sick or vomit. There appears to be a higher risk of having a “bad trip” type of experience than with other drugs that cause hallucinations.

STREET USE:
Swallowed, sniffed up the nose or sometimes smoked.

STREET FORM: Clear liquid, white powder or home made tablet.

THERAPEUTIC USE: Used as an anaesthetic in veterinary surgery.

DEPENDENCY:
There is no risk of physical dependency and a moderate to high risk of psychological dependency.

WITHDRAWAL:
There are no physical withdrawal symptoms but heavy users report a strong psychological dependence.

LONG TERM USE:
LSD-like ‘flashbacks’ have been reported together with loss of appetite and weight loss. Regular use of ketamine is likely to lead to episodes of depression and memory problems. There may also be a potential for the development of psychotic episodes following heavy use.

OVERDOSE RISK:
A few deaths have been reported. However, as with any anaesthetic, inhalation of vomit (after eating) is a serious risk if doses sufficient to induce anaesthesia are taken.

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**HEROIN**

**STREET NAME:**
Smack, H, Gear, Skag.

**BRAND NAME:**
Diamorphine.

**DESCRIPTION:**
In its illegal form it is usually a brown powder normally containing 5% to 30% pure heroin. In its legal form it is a white powder or clear liquid contained in small glass phials.

**DRUG EFFECT:**
Heroin numbs emotional and physical pain and many users feel as if they were "wrapped in cotton wool". At higher doses it induces sleep and this is referred to as "nodding" or "goofing". The effects last for 2-3 hours.

**STREET USE:**
Heroin can be smoked or injected. When smoked it is referred to as "Chasing the Dragon". When heroin is injected this is referred to as "main-lining".

**THERAPEUTIC USE:**
Heroin in its therapeutic form is called diamorphine and is only used in hospital or hospice settings in Northern Ireland and not in the Rep. of Ireland.

**DEPENDENCY:**
Heroin carries one of the highest risks of physical and psychological dependency.

**WITHDRAWAL:**
Withdrawal symptoms appear 8-24 hours after the last dose. Symptoms resemble severe flu together with diarrhoea. Symptoms peak around the third day and fade after 5 to 10 days. Sleep difficulties, cravings and mood swings may continue for some weeks.

**LONG TERM USE:**
Aside from severe dependency, pure heroin has few long term effects on the body. The majority of the risks associated with heroin come from how it is used (i.e. smoked, injected) and the impurities that are mixed in with the drug (i.e. brick dust/sand, gravel powder, quinine). Users are at risk of serious infectious diseases, for example, HIV/AIDS and hepatitis B and C from unsafe injecting practices and from collapsed veins, bacterial infections, abscesses and heart-valve problems from the impurities mixed in with the heroin.

**OVERDOSE RISK:**
There is a significant risk of overdose. This risk is heightened after a period of abstinence or when heroin is mixed with other painkilling drugs, benzodiazepines or alcohol.

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LIBERTY CAP MUSHROOM (Psilocybe semilanceata)

STREET NAME: Magic Mushrooms, Mushies.

DESCRIPTION:
Light brown, thin-stemmed mushroom about 6-8cm high with a nipple shape on the top of the cap.

DRUG EFFECT:
The Liberty Cap is a hallucinogenic mushroom. Its effects include euphoria and hallucinations beginning within 20-40 minutes and usually lasting between 4 and 8 hours depending on the amount used. Sleep often follows use. Users often laugh a lot and feel more confident. Some people feel sick, vomit and/or suffer from stomach aches. Lower doses result in a mild to moderate "trip" with visual and sound distortions. There have been some occasions where users have died following a fall from a high building having believed they could fly. During a "bad trip" users may experience fear, anxiety and paranoia. This is more likely with high doses and where the user already feels anxious.

STREET USE:
Usually eaten raw but may be cooked and eaten or boiled in water to make a 'tea'. Mushrooms can also be dried for storage. Amounts of mushrooms used vary from one or two mushrooms, to 20 or more.

THERAPEUTIC USE:
None.

DEPENDENCY:
There is no risk of physical dependency and a small risk of psychological dependency.

WITHDRAWAL:
No withdrawal symptoms have been noted.

LONG TERM USE:
Using liberty cap mushrooms over a long period of time can damage people's mental abilities.

OVERDOSE RISK:
Liberty Caps are not very toxic and so the overdose risk is low. Were an overdose to occur it would resemble that of LSD and may result in a psychotic episode that would require psychiatric treatment. However, there is a risk of mistakenly taking a more poisonous mushroom or fungus. Some fungi are extremely toxic and can cause death within hours of consuming them.

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SPECIAL NOTE:
If the user is having a 'bad trip' (i.e. experiencing terror or paranoia) it helps to reduce lighting and noise levels. Speak in a low calm voice and reassure the person that the effects will wear off.
**LSD** (Lysergic Acid Diethylamide)

**STREET NAME:**
Acid, Trips, Tabs.

**DESCRIPTION:**
Small 1 cm squares of paper, usually with a logo or design printed on them.

**DRUG EFFECT:**
LSD is a powerful hallucinogen. Effects begin up to 1 hour after the tab of LSD is consumed, and last for 2-12 hours, depending on strength. The strength varies but a low dose (half a regular tab) will usually result in a mild LSD experience, whereas a full tab will result in a full-blown trip. The effects of LSD vary greatly depending on dose level, how the user feels and the situation they are in. Users often report visual effects such as intensified colours, distortions in shapes and movement of stationary objects. There have been some occasions where users have died following a fall from a high building having believed they could fly. Distortion of sound and changes in the sense of time and place are also common.

**STREET USE:**
Swallowed.

**STREET FORM:**
Small paper squares.

**DEPENDENCY:**
There is no risk of physical dependency and minimum risk of psychological dependency.

**WITHDRAWAL:**
Tolerance develops quickly after repeated use so that further doses are less effective. No physical withdrawal symptoms are reported.

**LONG TERM USE:**
Flashbacks (re-experiencing previous effects) are occasionally reported. There is a significant risk of psychological disturbance with heavy use.

**OVERDOSE RISK:**
With LSD an overdose may result in a psychotic episode that would require psychiatric treatment.

**MAXIMUM LEGAL PENALTIES:**

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If the user is having a ‘bad trip’ (i.e. experiencing terror or paranoia) it helps to reduce lighting and noise levels. Speak in a low calm voice and reassure the person that the effects will wear off.
METHADONE

STREET NAME: Meth, Juice, Phy.

BRAND NAME: Methadone mixture.

DESCRIPTION: Green liquid.

DRUG EFFECT: Painkiller and depressant (‘downer’).

STREET USE: By mouth.

THERAPEUTIC USE: Methadone is the drug that is most commonly prescribed to treat heroin addiction. Methadone is not a cure for heroin addiction but rather a replacement therapy that reduces the cravings for heroin and allows the user to take a small dose, usually once daily under the care of a doctor.

DEPENDENCY: Methadone carries one of the highest risks of physical and psychological dependency.

WITHDRAWAL: The effects of methadone last up to 24 hours, which is longer than heroin. Withdrawal symptoms are slower to develop but last longer. Flu-like symptoms appear up to 2 days after last dose, peak after 5 to 6 days and fade after 21 days. Sleep difficulties may last for longer. It has been suggested that withdrawal from methadone is more difficult than from heroin.

LONG TERM USE: Constipation is the most common side-effect from long term use of methadone. Other effects include ankle oedema, nausea, and occasionally it causes impotence in men.

OVERDOSE RISK: There is a significant risk of overdose. Methadone is poisonous to people who don’t use it regularly. Doses of 50mg for an adult and 20mg for a child may be fatal. There is also a significant risk of overdose for the regular methadone user after a period of abstinence or when methadone is mixed with other painkilling drugs or alcohol.

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POPPERS (Alkyl nitrites)

STREET NAME: Poppers.

DRUG NAME: Amyl Nitrite or Butyl Nitrite.

DESCRIPTION: Clear liquid.

DRUG EFFECT: Alkyl nitrites cause the blood vessels leading to the heart to widen and allow more blood to flow through. This is accompanied by a drop in blood pressure and increased heart rate. Users report a ‘rush’ and experience euphoria and dizziness. It also increases sexual arousal. The effects following inhalation are immediate and last from 2-5 minutes. Alkyl nitrites are sold openly on the internet and in some sex shops and joke shops.

STREET USE: Poppers are sold in small glass bottles containing 10-20ml of amyl/butyl nitrite. Users inhale the fumes from the liquid in small doses.

DEPENDENCY: Tolerance develops within 2-3 weeks if used on a daily basis. However this is lost following a few days of abstinence. There have been no reports of withdrawal symptoms, either physical or psychological, hence dependency does not appear to be a problem.

OVERDOSE RISK: Excessive use can lead to lack of oxygen in the blood. Users become cyanosed, which gives their skin and lips a blue colour. This is usually accompanied by severe vomiting and can lead to clinical shock and loss of consciousness. Nitrites are extremely poisonous when drank.

LEGAL STATUS: Poppers are not controlled by the Misuse of Drugs Acts in the Rep of Ireland or in Northern Ireland.

SPECIAL NOTE: Sudden deaths have occurred when using nitrites. People with a history of heart problems and glaucoma are strongly advised not to use poppers because of the increased strain on the cardiovascular system.
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SALVIA DIVINORUM

STREET NAME:
Salvia, Eclipse, Diviners Sage.

DESCRIPTION:
Dark brown or black when prepared and dried. Light green plant leaf when fresh. Salvia Divinorum has a long history of use in religious ceremonies by the Mazatec Indians in Mexico. Its’ use in Ireland has grown over the last few years as it is being sold via the internet and through ‘head shops’ as a legal product.

DRUG EFFECT:
Salvia divinorum is a powerful, short acting hallucinogen. When smoked the main effects are experienced within a minute or so and lasts for about 1-5 minutes. Reports of effects from users vary greatly. Reported effects include dramatic images and visions, uncontrollable laughter, echoing of sounds, lightheadedness, time distortion and extreme fearfulness.

STREET USE:
Salvia is most commonly smoked in a pipe as a dried herb but can also be chewed in a quid of fresh leaves.

DEPENDENCY:
There is no risk of physical dependency and minimum risk of psychological dependency.

WITHDRAWAL:
There are no reported withdrawal symptoms from using salvia divinorum.

LONG TERM USE:
As the use of this drug is relatively new to the western world there is very little reliable information available on the long term use of salvia divinorum in its’ current form.

OVERDOSE RISK:
There are no reports of physical harm due directly to ingesting salvia divinorum. There are reports of serious harm occurring to users who are injured while disoriented due to the effects of salvia divinorum. There are also reports of salvia divinorum use resulting in a psychotic type episode.

MAXIMUM LEGAL PENALTIES:
Salvia Divinorum is not currently covered in the Misuse of Drugs Acts in the Rep. of Ireland and Northern Ireland although the law may be changed to include it in the future.

SPECIAL NOTE:
If the user is having a ‘bad trip’ (i.e. experiencing terror or paranoia) it helps to reduce lighting and noise levels. Speak in a low calm voice and reassure the person that the effects will wear off.
**SPEED** (Amphetamine sulphate)

**STREET NAME:**
Speed, Sulph, Whizz.

**DESCRIPTION:**
White/cream crystalline powder.

**DRUG EFFECT:**
Speed is a strong stimulant and the effects last for 3 to 4 hours. It increases breathing and heart rate, lessens appetite and makes the pupils widen. Users tend to feel more alert, energetic, confident and not tired. With high doses people often experience a rapid flow of ideas and feel they have increased physical and mental powers. For some people, feelings of anxiety, irritability and restlessness are common. At higher doses speed can produce panic and paranoia.

**STREET USE:**
Speed is usually sniffed but can be eaten or injected.

**DEPENDENCY:**
Speed can cause a strong physical and psychological dependency.

**WITHDRAWAL:**
Withdrawal from amphetamine sulphate is divided into 2 phases - the immediate “crash” or rebound which lasts 2 to 3 weeks and is characterised by hunger, extreme fatigue and long periods of disturbed sleep. In the second phase heavy users become irritable and depressed (sometimes severely). The second phase can last weeks and sometimes months.

**OVERDOSE RISK:**
Death from overdose is possible with large doses but rare. Overdose risk increases if speed is mixed with other drugs. Speed can also be very dangerous to use for people who have asthma or cardiovascular problems.

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STEROIDS (ANABOLIC/ANDROGENIC)

STREET NAME: Roids, Juice.

BRAND NAME: Nandrolone, Restandol, Striant, Sustanon.

DESCRIPTION:
Anabolic/androgenic steroids are prescription-only medicines and are available in pill, capsule and injectable forms. Anabolic/androgenic steroids are also produced illegally in some countries in pill and injectable forms. They are usually referred to as anabolic steroids for ease of use.

DRUG EFFECT:
Anabolic steroids are used to build muscle mass, improve physical appearance and enhance performance. Regular users report feelings of increased confidence after use. Anabolic steroids are not to be confused with corticosteroids which are used to treat asthma, arthritis and reduce swelling.

STREET USE:
Swallowed or injected directly into the muscle.

STREET FORM:
Injectable liquid, capsule or pill.

THERAPEUTIC USE:
Anabolic steroids are used to treat conditions that occur when the body produces abnormally low amounts of testosterone, such as delayed puberty, some types of impotence and other diseases that result in loss of lean muscle mass.

WITHDRAWAL:
After stopping using steroids, some people experience symptoms of depressed mood, fatigue, restlessness, loss of appetite, insomnia, reduced sex drive, headache, muscle and joint pain, and the desire to take more anabolic steroids.

LONGTERM USE:
There are a number of physical and psychological side effects from long term use of steroids including balding, breast enlargement and impotence in men and deepening of the voice, shrinking of breasts and growth of body hair in women. Anabolic steroid use is also linked to liver cancer and increased levels of aggression and violence known as ‘roid rage’ in both sexes.

LEGAL RESTRICTIONS:
Although anabolic steroids are not controlled by the Misuse of Drugs Acts in the Rep of Ireland or in Northern Ireland they are illegal to share/supply to another person. Anabolic steroids are to be sold only by pharmacists with a doctor’s prescription. It’s legal to possess steroids as a medicinal product for personal use. However, possession for supply/sharing is illegal and could lead to 14 years in prison and an unlimited fine.
TOBACCO

STREET NAME:
Cigs, fags, roll-ups.

DESCRIPTION:
Tobacco is available in dried and cured forms. It contains nicotine and almost 4000 chemicals of which 60+ are known to cause cancer including tar, arsenic, ammonia, acetone, formaldehyde, cyanide, methanol, benzene and toluene.

DRUG EFFECT:
Nicotine is the predominant psychoactive drug in tobacco. It initially acts as a stimulant, but effects of both stimulation and relaxation may be felt. It is also associated with feelings of pleasure.

STREET USE:
Tobacco can be legally purchased as cigarettes in packets or by weight for roll-ups and pipe. The smoke is usually inhaled although tobacco leaves can be chewed.

DEPENDENCY:
Nicotine can cause a very strong physical and psychological dependency. Users find there is a lot of habit attached to smoking. Most smokers develop a dependency and smoke daily.

WITHDRAWAL:
Withdrawal effects include cravings, irritability, anxiety, poor concentration, restlessness, sleep disturbances, light-headedness, decreased heart rate, increased appetite or weight gain and sometimes depression.

LONG TERM USE:
Tobacco use is a major risk factor in multiple types of cancer and causes 30% of all cancers, heart disease, respiratory disease, circulatory disease and reduced fertility. Smoking in pregnancy can lead to complications e.g. miscarriage and stillbirth, also illness in early infancy. Smokers lose an average of 10 – 15 years of potential life and half of regular smokers will eventually die from their tobacco use.

OVERDOSE
There are no reports of death related to tobacco overdose.

MAXIMUM LEGAL PENALTIES:
It is illegal to sell tobacco to anyone under 18 years of age in both Rep of Ireland and N. Ireland.
VOLATILE SUBSTANCES (Solvents)

There are 4 categories of volatile substances;
(1) adhesives & glues
(2) aerosols
(3) cleaning and degreasing agents
(4) a miscellaneous group of fire extinguishers, gas lighter fuels and petrol

DRUG EFFECT:
Vapours from volatile substances pass rapidly from the lungs to the brain causing depression of the central nervous system. Effects are similar to drunkenness and occur within 2-3 minutes. Feelings of euphoria are very common and some users report hallucinations. If inhalation (sniffing) continues there is further depression of the central nervous system, which leads to loss of awareness, judgement, muscular co-ordination and eventual coma. The intoxicating effects last for 15-60 minutes after sniffing ceases. Sniffers often report a mild ‘hangover’ for up to a day after use.

STREET USE:
Vapours from volatile substances are usually inhaled directly from their containers, from plastic bags or from a cloth that has been soaked in the substance.

DEPENDENCY:
There is a small risk of psychological dependency but as tolerance tends to develop quickly people generally use solvents for a relatively short period of time.

WITHDRAWAL:
Severe headaches and mood swings are commonly reported.

OVERDOSE RISK:
Every year it is estimated that there are 10 to 15 deaths in Ireland linked directly to the toxic effects of inhaling volatile substances. There are a number of others deaths caused by a combination of accidents, inhalation of vomit and suffocation caused by losing consciousness while using a plastic bag to inhale solvents.

LEGAL STATUS:
Solvents are not covered under the Misuse of Drugs Acts in Northern Ireland or the Republic of Ireland. However it is an offence for a retailer to sell or supply adhesives to anyone under 18 years of age if solvent abuse is suspected. In Northern Ireland it is an offence to supply gas lighter refills to young people under the age of 18 years.
Drugs and the law

The Misuse of Drugs Acts 1977 & 1984 (Republic of Ireland)

The Misuse of Drugs Acts are intended to prevent the non-medical use of drugs. For this reason the Acts control not just medicinal drugs but also drugs with no current medical use. The Acts outline the penalties for unlawful possession, supply and trafficking in prescription and non-prescription drugs.

Schedule 1 lists mainly hallucinogenic and illegal drugs including ecstasy and LSD. These drugs cannot be prescribed by doctors or sold in pharmacies.

Schedule 2 lists those drugs which may be used for medical purposes but which are regarded as particularly dangerous if misused. The list consists of opiates, amphetamines and related stimulants. Any of these drugs can be legally obtained when prescribed by a doctor, dentist or veterinary surgeon and supplied by a pharmacist.

Schedule 3 lists drugs to which stringent controls and record keeping requirements apply. It contains certain dependence producing sedatives, some painkillers and some appetite suppressants.

Schedule 4 lists various minor tranquillisers and preparations of phenobarbitone containing less than 100 mgs.

Schedule 5 lists certain preparations of controlled drugs to which the restrictions on possession do not apply. These are usually over the counter medications such as cough bottles and anti-diarrhoea products that contain opiates.

Under the Acts, a person commits an offence if, being the occupier or concerned in the management of any premises, he knowingly permits the production or supply of drugs to take place on the premises.

Below is a table containing information on the maximum penalties that can be imposed for breaches of the Misuse of Drugs Acts in the Republic of Ireland.

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The Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (Northern Ireland)

The Misuse of Drugs Act (1971) that applies in Northern Ireland is similar to the laws that apply in the Republic of Ireland inasmuch as it aims to control the non-medical use of prescribed and non-prescribed drugs. The obvious difference is that it is divided into three classes as opposed to five schedules.

**Class A:** These include cocaine and crack (a form of cocaine), ecstasy, heroin, LSD, methadone, processed magic mushrooms and any Class B drug which is injected.

**Class B:** These include amphetamine, barbiturates and codeine.

**Class C:** These include mild amphetamines, anabolic steroids, minor tranquillisers and cannabis (in resin, oil or herbal form).

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Doping in Sport

‘Doping’ refers to an athlete’s use of prohibited drugs or methods to improve training and sporting results or to mask the presence of a prohibited substance.

The Irish Sports Council and Sports Northern Ireland work together to implement the guidelines laid down by the World Anti-Doping Agency to eradicate doping in sport.

The GAA is fully committed to supporting the work of these organisations in their stance against doping in sport and have developed an Anti-Doping Code which can be found at www.gaa.ie/asap and click on the ‘Downloads’ page.

Drug testing

The anti-doping testing procedures are carried out by the Doping Control Officers on behalf of the Irish Sports Council. It is a tightly controlled process to ensure a minimum margin for error. DCO’s can arrive at training sessions or matches without notice and request that a player provide a urine sample for analysis.

The testing process not only screens the sample for performance enhancing substances and methods on the Prohibited List produced annually by the World Anti-Doping Agency, but also for illegal substances such as those covered in section three of this manual.

The urine sample is divided into two containers marked A and B and sent to a laboratory to be tested for the presence of banned substances/methods. If sample A proves to be negative sample B is disposed of. If sample A is found positive, sample B will be tested and should this also be found to contain a banned substance/method, a positive find will be declared.

If the presence of a banned substance/method is detected the player will be informed within two weeks and an investigation will be commenced. Should a player be found guilty of using a banned substance/method he will be subject to a suspension from all GAA activities for up to 96 weeks.

Refusal by a player to take a drug test or an attempt to tamper with doping controls will be subject to the same punishments as a positive finding for banned/illegal substances.

Even if a player claims to have taken something by accident, it is still considered doping. Ultimately, the individual player is responsible for everything that goes into his body.

Supplements

The use of food supplements such as creatine has been gaining in popularity in recent times and remains controversial. While no evidence of its harm has been shown many scientists believe they are not without risk, especially to growing children.

International studies have shown that a sizable portion of the supplements that are available on the market contain banned substances. This is more likely to be true of supplements which claim to be muscle building or fat burning. These supplements have been shown to contain anabolic steroids, stimulants and other contaminants.

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The Irish Sports Council recommends that athletes do not use sports supplements for the following reasons:

- A correct dietary and nutritional regime will provide all the potential benefits of sports supplements.
- Given the WADA rule on strict liability, players are risking the possibility of inadvertent positive tests by taking supplements.
- It is inappropriate for any junior player to be taking supplements that could have an impact on their physical development.

In order to adhere to the GAA Anti-Doping Code players should...

- Inform the team doctor of any medications or supplements they are taking.
- Inform any doctor who prescribes medication that they are liable to be tested under the WADA rules and ask them to check the suitability of the medication they are prescribing in the Monthly Index of Medical Supplements (MIMS).
- Remember they are responsible for any substance detected in their body.
- Check all medications/supplements they plan to take are suitable to do so by referring to the www.eirpharm.com website for Republic of Ireland or www.100percentme.co.uk for Northern Ireland.
- Remember that illegal drugs are also tested for and can cause a positive test result.
- Know that refusing to undergo testing is often treated as severely as a positive test.
- Be aware of their rights and responsibilities regarding drug testing.

**Therapeutic Use Exemption**

There are times when it is legitimate to use medicines that are on the WADA Prohibited List.

In these instances players must request a Therapeutic Use Exemption Form from their doctor.

As with all prescribed medication, it must only be used in the exact manner in which it is prescribed. Certain medications require that an athlete complete a Declaration of Use Form e.g corticosteroids by inhalation. For further information on see www.irishsportscouncil.ie/anti-doping
# SECTION FOUR

## ALCOHOL

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How Does It Affect the Body?

Most people drink because they enjoy how it makes them feel. The majority of people drink socially and are responsible when they use alcohol. In very small amounts, alcohol can help a person feel more relaxed or less anxious. In larger amounts alcohol causes greater changes in the brain, resulting in intoxication. People who have consumed larger amounts of alcohol may stagger, lose their coordination and slur their speech. They will probably be confused and disoriented. Reaction times are slowed dramatically, which is why it is dangerous to drink and drive. People who are intoxicated may think they’re moving properly when they’re not. They may act totally out of character. Depending on the person, intoxication can make someone very friendly and talkative or very aggressive and angry. It is often the people who are normally quiet and friendly who become loud and aggressive when drunk and those who would normally be anxious or hyperactive often become quieter and more relaxed after drinking.

Why Do Teenagers Drink?

From a very young age, children see alcohol as an integral part of Irish society and therefore alcohol seems harmless to many teenagers. Experimentation with alcohol during the teen years is common. Some reasons that teens use alcohol (and other drugs) are:

• curiosity
• to feel good
• to reduce stress
• to relax
• to fit in
• to feel older

What can I do?

If you know or suspect a teenager is drinking -

• Ask them not to drink. Teenagers like to know what the rules are.
• Suggest alternatives to them, such as minerals, non-alcoholic beers or wines.
• Drop them off and pick them up from where they are likely to go drinking. Most underage drinking is done before and after going to a match/disco/concert.
• Wait up for them. If the teenager knows they will have to face you or another adult at the end of the night they may drink much less, if at all.

Tell them never to:

- leave a drink around where it could be spiked
- mix drugs and alcohol
- drive after drinking or using drugs
- accept a lift from someone who has been drinking or using drugs
- leave a party or club alone
Alcohol and The Law

There are a number of laws relating to the sale and use of alcohol. Below is a list of the laws that are most commonly misunderstood.

**Alcohol laws in the Republic of Ireland**
- It is an offence to knowingly sell alcohol to a person under 18 years of age.
- It is an offence for a person under 18 to purchase alcohol.
- It is an offence for a person under 18 to represent themselves as being over 18 in order to obtain alcohol.
- It is an offence for a person under 18 to consume alcohol except with the explicit consent of their parent/guardian in a private residence.
- Children under 15 may be in the bar of a licensed premises only if accompanied by a parent/guardian, but not after 9 pm.
- Young people aged 15-17 may be in the bar of a licensed premises unaccompanied, but not after 9 pm.
- Children under 15 accompanied by a parent/guardian and/or young people aged 15-17 may be in the bar of a licensed premises after 9 pm if attending a private function where a substantial meal is being served e.g. a wedding reception.
- It is an offence to serve alcohol to a person who is drunk.

**Alcohol laws in Northern Ireland**
- It is an offence to knowingly sell alcohol to a person under 18 years of age.
- It is an offence to give alcohol to a child under 14 years of age.
- In some areas there are by-laws restricting drinking of alcohol on the streets at any age.
- Police have the power to confiscate alcohol from under 18s who drink in public places.
- It is an offence for any person to allow a person whom they know to be drunk to be present in, to buy, or consume alcohol in a licensed premises.
- It is an offence for anyone to buy alcohol for someone under 18 to drink on licensed premises.
- It is an offence for anyone to buy, consume or supply alcohol in licensed premises outside the permitted opening hours.
- It is an offence for anyone to be drunk on licensed premises.

**Check your drinking**

Many people secretly wonder if their drinking is a problem. The questionnaire on the next page will give you a good idea if your drinking is harmful to you or the people around you. It might be best if you do this privately and it is important that you answer all the questions honestly. Place the score that best describes your answer at the end of each line in the Sub Total box and add them up in the Final Total box at the bottom. On the following page you can check how these scores relate to you.

In this questionnaire a “drink” is...
- a half a pint of beer • a single measure of spirits
- a small glass of wine • a spirit-based drink e.g. Smirnoff Ice

Pints and cans of beer count as two drinks.

A bottle of wine at 12.5% alcohol contains about seven standard drinks.
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- **FINAL TOTAL:**
The scores given above may be helpful for you to get a handle on your drinking and to decide if you need to change it in any way.

Most people who decide to change their drinking habits do so by themselves without any help. If you do decide to change how you are drinking and want some advice on how to do it, you could speak to your GP or use one of the many services that are listed in the ‘Where To Get Help’ section of this manual.

Remember, no-one else can make this decision for you. It is completely up to you.
Alcohol and Sports Performance

Playing, celebrating and drinking.
The social side of Gaelic Games is very important and celebrating with team members after a match is a tradition in some clubs. However, if your celebrations involve drinking alcohol and especially if you drink to the point where you get drunk, this can seriously affect your fitness. If you take your sport seriously, and like to do the best you can for yourself and your team, it’s worth knowing the facts and what you can do to reduce your risk of poor performance.

Effects of alcohol on your performance.
Greater risk of muscle cramps:
During exercise, your muscles burn sugar thereby producing lactic acid. Too much lactic acid leads to muscle fatigue and cramps. If you drink in the 24-hour period before a match the alcohol contributes to a bigger build up of lactic acid and dramatically increases your risk of cramping.

Greater risk for injuries and complications:
Alcohol increases the bleeding and swelling around soft tissue injuries (sprains, bruises, and cuts - the most common sports injuries) requiring a longer recovery period. Alcohol also masks pain, which may lead you to delay in getting treatment - rapid treatment can make all the difference in a speedy recovery. If you’ve been injured, avoid alcohol, as it will complicate your recovery.

Greater body heat loss:
Alcohol is a vasodilator (it causes the blood vessels near the surface of the skin to expand) and thereby promotes heat loss and a lowered body temperature.

Reduced endurance:
The blood sugar your body needs for energy is produced by the liver when it releases glucose into the blood stream. Drinking alcohol in the 48-hour period before a match reduces your body’s ability to produce this sugar, so you have less energy and less endurance capacity.

Slower reactions:
Alcohol is a sedative and it can affect your performance during a game for up to 72 hours after you have finished drinking. Some players think they have less tension and increased relaxation as a result of alcohol. The actual result, however, is poorer hand-eye coordination and slower responses.

Dehydration:
Alcohol promotes water loss. It reduces the production of the anti-diuretic hormone, causing you to urinate more. This, in turn leads to dehydration.

Vitamin and Mineral Depletion:
Water loss caused by alcohol consumption involves the additional loss of important minerals such as magnesium, potassium, calcium, and zinc. These are vital to the maintenance of fluid balance, nerve and muscle action and coordination.

Reduced aerobic performance:
Alcohol reduces the body’s ability to convert food to energy and also reduces carbohydrate/blood sugar levels. These effects, together with lactic acid build-up and dehydration, combine to reduce aerobic performance.
Muscle injury:
The usual treatment for injury (rest, ice, compression, elevation) can be negated due to the painkilling effect of alcohol. If you can’t feel the pain of your injury you are less likely to take care of it and slow your recovery time or even cause further damage.

So, no matter how much training and conditioning you’ve put in, drinking up to 72 hours before a match will take the edge off your fitness. If you want to be the very best you can be at your sport, you’ll have more of a chance of achieving that by not drinking alcohol.

However if you do want to drink, it’s best to drink a little and not too often.
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### NATIONAL
**Alanon/Alateen – N. Ireland**
Tel.: 020 7403 0888
alanonuk@aol.com
www.al-anonuk.org.uk
Al-Anon Info Centre, Peace House
224 Lisburn Road, Belfast, BT9 6GE.
A fellowship of people whose lives have been or are being affected by other peoples drinking. Alanon and Alateen hold weekly meetings all over Ireland.

### NATIONAL
**Alcoholics Anonymous – N. Ireland**
Tel.: 028 90434848
www.alcoholicsanonymous.ie
7 Donegal Street Place, Belfast, BT1 2FN
County Antrim.
A fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. Requirement for membership? - a desire to stop drinking.

### NATIONAL
**Drug Helpline – N. Ireland**
Freephone: 0800 77 66 00
Provides information on drugs and how to contact the most appropriate services in your local area.

### NATIONAL
**Narcotics Anonymous - N. Ireland**
Tel.: 07810 172991
www.nanorthernireland.com
contact@nanorthernireland.com
PO Box 543, Tomb St., Belfast, BT1 1AA.
Community based organisation for recovering addicts. NA members learn from one another how to live drug-free and recover from the effects of addiction in their lives. Requirement for membership? - a desire to stop using drugs.

### NATIONAL
**Alanon/Alateen - Rep of Ireland**
Tel.: 01 8732699
Al Anon/Alateen Information Centre
5/6 Capel Street, Dublin 1.
A fellowship of people whose lives have been or are being affected by other peoples drinking. Alanon and Alateen hold weekly meetings all over Ireland.

### NATIONAL
**Alcoholics Anonymous – Rep of Ireland**
Tel.: 01 4538998  aia@indigo.ie
www.alcoholicsanonymous.ie
109 South Circular Road,
Leonard’s Corner, Dublin 8.
A fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. Requirement for membership? - a desire to stop drinking.

### NATIONAL
**Drug Helpline – Rep of Ireland**
Freephone: 1800 459 459
Providing free and confidential guidance to anyone concerned with drug use or HIV infection. Offers information on drugs, HIV testing, safer sex and sexually transmitted infections.

### NATIONAL
**Narcotics Anonymous – Rep of Ireland**
Tel.: 01 6728000
www.na.ireland.org
Narcotics Anonymous Ireland,
4/5 Eustace Street, Dublin 2.
Community based organisation for recovering addicts. NA members learn from one another how to live drug-free and recover from the effects of addiction in their lives. Requirement for membership? - a desire to stop using drugs.
ASAP Resources

In addition to the professional services available throughout Ireland, the GAA also provide further guidance on alcohol and other drug related issues on [www.gaa.ie/asap](http://www.gaa.ie/asap)

The Club Matters DVD gives guidance on how to respond to these issues in your club. To get a copy of the DVD for your club, please contact Alcohol & Substance Abuse Prevention (A.S.A.P.) Programme, Gaelic Athletic Association, Connacht Council Office, Clare Street, Ballyhaunis, County Mayo. Ph. (094) 9631804 Fax (094) 9630175 brendan.murphy@gaa.ie
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**Services Provided:**
- Harm reduction advice and support
- Onward referral
- Needle and syringe exchange
- Information and education
- Counselling for those aged 8-26 years who have been affected by drugs, alcohol and other youth related issues

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**Services Provided:**
- Advice & Information
- Counselling
- Complementary therapies
- Aftercare
- Self help
- Education & prevention programmes (18+)
- Drop-in services
- For 18yrs+ • Open referral
- Family support • Advice • Specialist resource for other agencies • Complimentary therapies • Counselling • Recovery Programmes

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**Services Provided:**
- Services to families with parental substance misuse
- Support / counselling
- Individual work with children
- Parenting / couple / family / group work
- Support, advice & training to schools on drug education

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**Services Provided:**
- Education/prevention programmes for young people, parents / carers
- Accredited 10 Session Programme
- Specialist resource
- Open referral • Advice/support

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<td><strong>Belfast Health and Social Services Trust</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Carlisle House</strong></td>
<td>Tel: 028 9032 8308&lt;br&gt;2-4 Henry Place, Clifton Street, Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT15 2BB.</td>
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<td>Services Provided:</td>
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<td><strong>Contact Youth</strong></td>
<td>Tel: 028 90320092&lt;br&gt;14 College Square North, Belfast BT1 6AS.</td>
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<td>Services Provided:</td>
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<td><strong>Belfast Community Addiction Service</strong></td>
<td>Tel.: 028 9073 7573&lt;br&gt;1 Woodstock Link, Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT6 8DD.</td>
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<td>Services Provided:</td>
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<td><strong>Carrickfergus Community Drug &amp; Alcohol Advisory Group</strong></td>
<td>Tel.: 028 9335 1562&lt;br&gt;www.ccadag.org <a href="mailto:office@ccdag.org">office@ccdag.org</a>&lt;br&gt;4 Cheston Street, Carrickfergus, Co. Antrim, BT38 7BH.</td>
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<td><strong>CODA</strong></td>
<td>Tel.: 028 9046 9261&lt;br&gt;www.codaproject.org&lt;br&gt;116 Castlereagh Street, Belfast, BT5 4NL.</td>
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**Coleraine Rural & Urban Network (CRUN)**
Tel: 028 7034 4934  
www.crun.org  
1a Railway Road, Coleraine, Co. Antrim, BT52 1PD.

Services Provided:
- Targeted education and prevention programmes for vulnerable / at risk young people, adults and parents
- Specialist resource for other agencies
- Onward referral
- Advice and support

### ANTRIM

**Community Addiction Service**
Tel.: 028 2565 8462  
Cullybackey Road, Ballymena, Co. Antrim, BT43 5DT.

Services Provided:
- Advice & Information
- Individual and Group Counselling
- Community detoxification
- In-patient detoxification and treatment
- Education & prevention programmes

### ANTRIM

**Community Addiction Team**
Tel.: 028 9266 8607  
TSL House, 38 Bachelors Walk, Lisburn, Co. Antrim, BT28 1XN.

Services Provided:
- For ages 18+
- Detox
- Substitute prescribing
- Counselling • Family support
- Advice and support • Support groups

### ANTRIM

**Down and Connor Pioneer Association**
Tel.: 028 9049 2424  
511 Ormeau Road, Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT7 3GS.

Services Provided:
- Advice
- Education
- Self help

### ANTRIM

**Drug Outreach Team - Belfast Health and Social Care Trust**
Tel.: 028 9050 0150  
14 Lower Crescent, Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT7 1NR.

Services Provided:
- Harm reduction advice and support for Heroin Users
- For ages 18+ • Family support
- Training and education • Advice and support
- Drop-in • Support Groups

### ANTRIM

**Dunlewey Substance Advice Centre**
Tel.: 028 9061 1162  
substanceabuse@btconnect.com  
226 Stewartstown Road, Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT17 0LB.

Services Provided:
- Structured individual counselling / mentoring • Assessment and care planning • Specialist resource for other agencies
- Referral to other specialist services
- Family work • Aftercare • Advice and support

### ANTRIM

**Dunlewey Substance Advice Centre**
Tel.: 028 9074 3999  
substanceabuse@btconnect.com  
228 Antrim Road, Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT15 2AN.

Services Provided:
- Structured individual counselling / mentoring • Assessment and care planning • Specialist resource for other agencies
- Referral to other specialist services
- Family work • Aftercare • Advice and support

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**Dunlewey Substance Advice Centre**
Tel.: 028 2565 2105  
substanceabuse@btconnect.com  
80 Broughshane Street, Ballymena, Co. Antrim, BT43 6ED.

Services Provided:
- Structured individual counselling / mentoring • Assessment and care planning • Specialist resource for other agencies
- Referral to other specialist services
- Family work • Aftercare • Advice and support
# Services in ANTRIM

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**Eastern Area Health Promotion, Communication, Resource and Information Service (CRIS)**
Tel.: 028 9055 3704
info@eahealthpro.org
www.eahealthpro.org
Champion House, 12-22 Linenhall Street,
Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT2 8BS.

Services Provided:
- Education and prevention leaflets, posters, teaching packs
- Information on Statistics and Research

**ANTRIM**

**Falls Community Council**
Community Drug Programme
Tel.: 028 9020 2030
www.fallscommunitycouncil.com
275-277 Falls Road, Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT12 6FD.

Services Provided:
- Training
- Family Support
- Information and Support
- Education and prevention programmes for parents and young people
- Community development

**ANTRIM**

**Homefirst Community Trust Addiction Services**
Tel.: 028 2563 5575
www.homefirst.n-i.nhs.uk
Spruce House, Cushendall Road,
Ballymena, Co. Antrim, BT43 6HQ.

Services Provided:
- Support and counselling
- Education and prevention

**ANTRIM**

**North East Education and Library Board (Youth Service)**
Tel.: 028 9448 2207
www.neelb.org.uk
Antrim Board Centre, 17 Lough Road,
Antrim, BT41 4DH.

Services Provided:
- Training
- Education and prevention

**ANTRIM**

**Forum for Action on Substance Abuse and Suicide Awareness (FASA)**
Tel.: 028 9080 3040
www.fasaoonline.org info@fasaoonline.org
Bingham House, 16 Woodvale Road,
Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT13 3BS.

Services Provided:
- Support and counselling relating to suicide and self harm
- Training
- Treatment
- Early interventions
- Alternative therapies
- Support and counselling
- Education and prevention
- Community development

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**Living Rivers Trust (Beach House)**
Tel.: 028 2565 4700
beachhouse@livingrivers.com
www.livingrivers.com
Trust Headquarters, 2-4 Railway Street,
Ballymena, Co. Antrim, BT42 2AB.

Services Provided:
- Supported accommodation
- Support programmes
- Promotion of independent living
- Specialist resource for other agencies
- Advice and support

**ANTRIM**

**North East Education and Library Board (Youth Service)**
Tel.: 028 9441 5700
nigel.morris@northerntrust.hscni.net
Child & Adolescent Mental Health Service, Massereene House, Antrim, BT41 4AB.

Services Provided:
- For those aged up to 18 with both mental health difficulties and substance misuse problems
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Tel.: 028 2563 1970  
www.northerntrust.hsc.net  
enquiries.cas@northerntrust.hscni.net  
105a Railway Street, Ballymena, Co. Antrim, BT42 2AF.  
Services Provided:  
- Training  
- Treatment  
- Support and counselling  
- Education and prevention  
- Needle and syringe exchange | **Northern Health and Social Care Trust**  
Tel.: 028 9441 3290  
enquiries.cas@northerntrust.hscni.net  
www.northerntrust.hscni.net  
Carrick1, In-patient Addictions, Holywell Hospital, 60 Steeple Rd, Antrim, BT41 2RJ.  
Services Provided:  
- In-patient detoxification  
- Substitute prescribing  
- Relapse prevention  
- Psychological interventions / treatments  
- Specialist research for other agencies  
- Advice and support  
- Education |
| **Northern Ireland Community Addiction Service (NICAS)**  
Tel.: 028 9066 4434  
40 Elmwood Avenue, Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT9 6AZ.  
Services Provided:  
- Specialist treatment services for the elderly and offenders  
- Counselling  
- Advice  
- Support  
- Education  
- Creche facilities | **Northern Ireland Community Addiction Service (NICAS)**  
Tel.: 028 9073 1602  
219 Albertbridge Road, Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT5 4PU.  
Services Provided:  
- Specialist treatment services for the elderly and offenders  
- Counselling  
- Advice  
- Support  
- Education  
- Creche facilities |
| **Northern Ireland Community Addiction Service (NICAS)**  
Tel.: 028 90330499  
461 Falls Road, Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT12 6DD.  
Services Provided:  
- Specialist treatment services for the elderly and offenders  
- Counselling  
- Advice  
- Support  
- Education  
- Creche facilities | **Opportunity Youth**  
Tel.: 028 9043 5810  
www.opportunity-youth.org  
info@opportunity-youth.org  
Hilndon House, 30-34 Hill Street, Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT1 2LB.  
Services Provided:  
- Youth Treatment/Support Service  
- Targeted Education Programmes for vulnerable young people  
- Peer Education  
- Mentoring  
- Advice  
- Counselling  
- Support  
- Training the trainers  
- Residential |
| **Parents Advice Centre**  
Tel.: 028 2565 0102  
Helpline 0808 8010 722  
www.parentsadvicecentre.org  
75 Wellington Street, Ballymena, Co. Antrim, BT43 6AD.  
Services Provided:  
- Information, support and counselling | **Parents Advice Centre**  
Tel.: 028 9031 0891  
Helpline 0808 8010 722  
www.parentsadvicecentre.org  
Franklin House, 12 Brunswick Street, Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT2 7GE.  
Services Provided:  
- Information, support and counselling |
### ANTRIM
#### Progress2Work NI
Tel.: 028 9060 0938
Unit 2, Dairy Farm Centre, Stewartstown Road, Belfast, BT17 0AW.

**Services Provided:**
- Advice and support on re-entering the world of work
- Training & Education

#### Rosemount House
Tel.: 028 9077 9740
www.rosemounthouse.org
294 Antrim Road, Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT15 5AA.

**Services Provided:**
- Advice
- Counselling
- Training
- Education and prevention
- Support
- Accommodation (alcohol free hostel)
- Self help
- Helps clients to find permanent accommodation

#### Springwell House
Tel.: 028 9024 88011
377-381 Springfield Road, Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT2 7DG.

**Services Provided:**
- Hostel catering for people with substance misuse issues
- For ages 25+
- Residential rehab
- Counselling
- Training and education
- Advice and support

#### Teenagers Involved in Protecting Selves around Alcohol (TIPSA)
Tel.: 028 8676 3388
info@cookstownhelp.com
www.cookstownhelp.com
Gortalowry House, 94 Church Street, Cookstown, Co. Antrim, BT80 8HX.

**Services Provided:**
- Education/prevention programmes with vulnerable young people, adults & parents
- Specialist resource
- Onward referral
- Advice / support

#### YMCA Lisburn
Tel.: 028 9267 0918
www.lisburnymca.com
28 Market Street, Lisburn, Co Down, BT28 1AG.

**Services Provided:**
- Universal alcohol education programme in schools throughout the Belfast Education Library Board Area

#### Youth Council For Northern Ireland
Tel.: 028 9064 3882
jmccormick@youthcouncil-ni.org.uk
Forest View, Purdy’s Lane, Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT10 0QH.

**Services Provided:**
- Training
- Education and prevention
## SECTION FIVE - WHERE TO GET HELP

### ARMAGH

#### Breakthru
Tel: 028 8775 3228  
Freephone: 0808 800 2020  
www.breakthru.co.uk  
18 Killymeal Road, Dungannon,  
Co. Armagh, BT71 6JZ.

**Services Provided:**  
- Community Development  
- Education / information  
- Targeted programmes  
- Work with parents  
- Accredited training  
- Onward referral  
- Suicide Prevention  
- Self harm  
- Outreach counselling  
- Work with marginalised groups

#### Child and Adolescent Substance Misuse Practitioner
Tel: 028 3839 2112  
Bocomba Lodge, 2 Old Lurgan Road,  
Portadown, Co. Armagh.

**Services Provided:**  
- Substance abuse worker  
- GP referral  
- For children up to 18 years

#### DAWN
Tel.: 028 3834 4499  
327 Westacres, Craigavon, Co. Armagh,  
BT65 4BD.

**Services Provided:**  
- Specific, tailored programmes for parents and young people  
- Accredited training  
- 1:1 work with young people

#### Lurgan YMCA
Tel.: 028 3832 1025  
info@ymcalurgan.com  
42a High Street, Lurgan, Co Armagh,  
BT66 8AU.

**Services Provided:**  
- Cross community youth centre  
- Training programmes  
- Outreach  
- After-school drop-in  
- Structured programmes

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### ARMAGH

#### Community Addiction Team
Tel: 028 3752 2381, ext 2147  
addictionunit@adhsst.n-i.nhs.uk  
St Luke’s Hospital, Loughgall Road,  
Armagh, BT61 7NQ.

**Services Provided:**  
- Multi-disciplinary treatment  
- Onward referral  
- Inpatient detox  
- Prescribed drugs misuse service  
- For ages 18+  
- Substitute prescribing  
- Counselling  
- Family Support  
- Advice  
- Hospital Liaison
### ARMAGH

**Mount Zion House**  
Tel.: 028 3832 4680  
56 Edward Street, Lurgan, Co. Armagh, BT66 6DB.  

**Services Provided:**  
- Independent living for young people aged 18-25  
- Advice centre • Childcare unit  
- Restaurant • Conference facilities  
- Domiciliary care project  
- Onward referral to suicide prevention (PIPS), Homestart and AA

**Southern Education and Library Board (Youth Section)**  
Tel.: 028 3751 2437  
3 Charlemont Place, The Mall, Armagh, BT61 9AX.  

**Services Provided:**  
- Field officer  
- Support to voluntary and statutory bodies  
- Onward referral towards training and other supportive bodies

**Young Person’s Project (YP P)**  
Tel.: 028 3839 1155  
Bryan.Gormley@southerntrust.hscni.net  
Southern Health & Social Care Trust, 2 Old Lurgan Road, Portadown, Co. Armagh, BT63 5SG.  

**Services Provided:**  
- Individual / group work  
- Support / counselling • Focus on family relationships, anger management, self esteem  
- Education and prevention • Onward referral  
- Community development

### CARLOW

**Carlow / Kilkenny Substance Misuse Team**  
Tel.: 056 778 4638  
Kickam Street, Kilkenny.  

**Services Provided:**  
- Counselling  
- Drug Treatment  
- Methadone Prescription

**Carlow Community Based Drug Initiative (Carlow CBDI)**  
Tel.: 059 9140616  
angelaakeogh@aol.ie  
lculleton06@eircom.net  
Carlow Regional Youth Service, Kennedy Street, Carlow.  

**Services Provided:**  
- Information & support • Parent & family support  
- Drug education • Peer education
### Cavan/Monaghan Drug Awareness
- **Tel.**: 042 966 6983
- **Email**: cdatrust@eircom.net
- **Address**: Henry Street, Bailieborough, Co. Cavan.

**Services Provided:**
- Information
- Outreach
- Family Support
- Parental adult drugs education

### Cavan / Monaghan Drug Education Initiative
- **Tel.**: 047 71663
- **Address**: Monaghan Neighbourhood Youth Project, Ardroe House, Glen Road, Monaghan.

**Services Provided:**
- Individual work
- Group work
- Family support
- Advice and information
- Peer education

### Cavan Traveller & Drugs Project
- **Tel.**: 049 4377055
- **Address**: 1 Tower Hamlet, Farnham Street, Cavan.

**Services Provided:**
- Drugs information for Travellers and their families
- Support groups for Travellers and family members
- Drug education/prevention
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<td><strong>Ennistymon Day Hospital</strong>&lt;br&gt;Tel.: 065 7071611&lt;br&gt;Ennis Road, Ennistymon, Co. Clare.&lt;br&gt;Services Provided:&lt;br&gt;• Outpatient treatment&lt;br&gt;• Aftercare&lt;br&gt;• Counselling and advisory services for adults</td>
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Cork Simon’s Youth Homeless Drug Prevention Project
Tel.: 021 4278732
youthdrugsproject@corksimoncommunity.ie
www.corksimon.ie
Cork Simon Day Centre, Andorrs Quay, Cork City.

Services Provided:
- Aim to prevent young people from becoming homeless
- Support / information to homeless young people using or at risk of using drugs

DAYS Project (Douglas Area Youth Services)
Tel.: 021 4360001
cuanhuirecork@eircom.net
Block B5, Donnybrook Commercial Centre, Donnybrook, Douglas, Cork City.

Services Provided:
- Support for young people actively involved in substance misuse
- Support / information for young people and parents in the Douglas area
- Assessment
- Onward referral
- Diversionary activities

Dublin Hill/Ballyvolane Initiative for Youth
Tel.: 086 368049 / 087 2933283
stevec_ogra@yahoo.ie
yotoole.ogra@gmail.com
Unit 5, College Shopping Centre, Dublin Hill, Cork City.

Services Provided:
- An Garda Siochana promoted project administered by Ogra Chorcai, managed in association with local interests
- Leisure based / educational / self developmental activities
- Youth workers
- Individual / family support

Fellowship House
Tel.: 021 4544894
fellowship@eircom.net
Spur Hill, Doughcloyne, Togher, Cork City.

Services Provided:
- Training
- 12 week residential programme for men 18+
- Individual / group counselling
- Education / personal development
- Peer support / health care, Twelve Step Group
- ‘Move on’ accommodation

Cuan Mhuien
Tel.: 021 7335994
cuanhuirecork@eircom.net
Farnanes, Co. Cork.

Services Provided:
- 12 week residential addiction treatment / rehabilitation programme for females
- Assessment
- Transition House – 3-6 months
- Education / training / development
- After-care programme
- Individual / Group therapy
- Family support

FADA (Farranree Alcohol and Drugs Awareness)
Tel: 021 4212328
fadaproject@eircom.net
Farranree Community Resource Centre, Pophans Road, Farranree, Cork.

Services Provided:
- Outreach
- Referral
- Support
- Information and education
- Services available to parents, families and young people in the Farranree area

Fermoy Community Drugs Initiative
Tel.: 025 51887 / 086 6096874
fermoysdrugsproject@eircom.net
Family Resource Centre, Fermoy, Co. Cork.

Services Provided:
- For young people aged 12 –18 at risk, currently misusing or who have recently stopped and need ongoing support
- Support for parents and families
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<td><strong>Glanmire Drugs Project</strong>  Tel.: 021 4877957 / 086 2182821  <a href="mailto:dffglanmire@hotmail.com">dffglanmire@hotmail.com</a>  C/O Glanmire Youth Project, GAA Pavilion, Sallybrook, Glanmire, Co. Cork.</td>
<td>Services Provided:  • Support  • Referral  • Drug awareness workshops  • Outreach  • Information / education  • Services available to parents, families and young people with young people with alcohol / substance abuse issues</td>
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<td><strong>Greenmount Youth Initiative</strong>  Tel.: 021 4847874 / 4502112  118 / 119 Barrack Street, Cork City.</td>
<td>Services Provided:  • For young people (12-16), not engaged in structured sport or youth provision in the locality  • Support and information for young people, parents and other interested groups  • Educational and preventative drug / alcohol awareness to 16-18 year olds in Greenmount and surrounding areas</td>
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<td><strong>Knocknaheeny Youth Project</strong>  Tel.: 021 4303902 / 087 1224794  celinehurley@eircom  Hollyhill Shopping Centre, Knocknaheeny, Cork City.</td>
<td>Services Provided:  • Outreach / referral / support services to parents, families and young people  • One to one support  • Group activities  • Personal development  • Drug awareness workshops  • Onward referral</td>
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<td><strong>Mallow Community Drugs Initiative</strong>  Tel.: 022 53526 / 0868031109  <a href="mailto:mydope2@gmail.com">mydope2@gmail.com</a>  C/o CDYS, Youth Centre, Mallow, Co. Cork.</td>
<td>Services Provided:  • Support for individuals, families, communities  • 1:1 sessions  • Home visits  • Group work  • Training / work experience  • Information  • Onward referral  • Help to build effective networks</td>
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<td><strong>Glen Neighbourhood Youth Project</strong>  Tel.: 021 4559505 / 4506147  <a href="mailto:lisasheehan@yahoo.com">lisasheehan@yahoo.com</a>  49-54 Corneragh Park, The Glen, Cork.</td>
<td>Services Provided:  • Outreach  • Referral  • Family support  • Education and Prevention work  • One to one and small group work for young people presenting with drug / alcohol related issues  • Services for young people, their families and the community living in the Glen and surrounding districts</td>
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<td><strong>Gurranabraher Youth Development Centre</strong>  Tel.: 021 4391778 / 087 6294784  <a href="mailto:gcycdc@eircom.net">gcycdc@eircom.net</a>  11b Gurranabraher Road, Gurranabraher, Cork City.</td>
<td>Services Provided:  • Peer education  • U4EA Arts Programme  • Outreach, referral and support for 15-25 year olds with drug and related issues</td>
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<td><strong>Link Workers – HSE Drug and Alcohol Services</strong>  Tel.: 021 4923135  Drug and Alcohol Services, HSE South, Community Services Offices, St Finbar’s Hospital, Douglas Road, Cork City.</td>
<td>Services Provided:  • Support / assist clients  • Liaise with other agencies / services  • Deal with clients additional needs other than treatment, allowing the client to concentrate on their addiction problems</td>
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<td><strong>Matt Talbot Adolescent Services – Cara Lodge</strong>  Tel.: 023 39000  <a href="mailto:caralodge@eircom.net">caralodge@eircom.net</a>  Cara Lodge, Aholishill, Enniskeane, Co. Cork.</td>
<td>Services Provided:  • Residential treatment for boys 14-18 year old with serious substance misuse and collated psycho-social challenging behaviour  • Highly structured diverse programme focused on development / rehabilitation</td>
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#### Matt Talbot Adolescent Services - Rockview
Tel.: 021 4896400  mtas@eircom.net  Rockview, Trabeg Lawn, Douglas, Cork City.

- **Services Provided:**
  - Assessment • Referral
  - Treatment • Family programme • Engagement
  - Pre-residential programme • Aftercare

#### Mayfield Youth 2000 – Phase 2
Tel.: 021 4530898 / 086 3682061 lotamor@hotmail.com  20 Lotamore Park, Lotamore, Mayfield, Cork City.

- **Services Provided:**
  - Information and resource base within the Lotamore and surrounding areas
  - Support and information for young people, parents and other interested groups
  - Educational and preventative programmes

#### Mayfield Youth 2000
Tel.: 021 4551903  orgrachorcalltd@eircom.net  Kerrigan Tyrell Youth Centre, Mayfield, Cork City.

- **Services Provided:**
  - Information and resource base within the Mayfield area
  - Support and information for young people, parents and other interested groups
  - Educational and preventative programmes

#### NeCoDrA New Communities Drugs Awareness
Tel.: 0214302310  necodra@yahoo.ie  C/O Community Outreach Drug Awareness Project, Cork City Partnership, Sunbeam Ind. Est., Mallow Rd, Millfield, Cork City.

- **Services Provided:**
  - Linking with service providers • Monthly meetings • Education, prevention and training • Raising awareness of drug / alcohol problems and support services available in ethnic minority communities

#### NeCoDrA
Tel.: 086 1755122  neil.halligan@foroige.ie  1 Thomas Street, Mitchelstown, Co Cork.

- **Services Provided:**
  - For 12-23 year olds at risk, misusing drugs / alcohol, or who have stopped and need support • Family support
  - Liaise with other agencies • Open referral
  - Information/education

#### Narcotics Anonymous (NA)
Tel.: 021 4278411 / 087 1368120 (Helpline)  www.nasouth.ie  P.O. Box 89, Colso, Togher Industrial Park, Togher, Cork City.

- **Services Provided:**
  - Self-help support group for people who are addicted to substances

#### Nar Anon
Tel.: 086 1755122  Presentation Spirituality Centre, Presentation Convent, Evergreen Street, Cork City.

- **Services Provided:**
  - Support group for families and friends of those with drug dependency problems

#### NeCoDrA
Tel.: 021 4300844  renewal@eircom.net  Shanakiel, Blarney Rd, (Near Calvary), Cork City.

- **Services Provided:**
  - Residential treatment for women 18+ • Twelve Step Programme • Group / one to one counselling • Personal development / health care • Development of Sober Support system • Relapse Prevention • Monthly meetings
### Cork

**The Samaritans**  
Tel.: 1850 609090  
jo@samaritans.org   www.samaritans.org  
Coach Street, Cork City.

**Services Provided:**  
- 24hr emotional support for those experiencing feelings of distress or despair including those which may lead to suicide  
- Emotional health promotion  
- Training for community / interest groups

**Traveller Visibility Group (TVG)**  
Tel.: 021 4503786 / 086 6084659  
tvdrugsproject@gmail.com

**Services Provided:**  
- Community Drugs initiative committed to advising, referring and supporting young Travellers and their families in Cork City in addressing drugs and alcohol misuse

**YMCA (Cork)**  
Tel.: 021 4270187 / 4273056  
11-12 Marlboro Street, (opposite Clancy’s), Cork City.

**Services Provided:**  
- Heart and Soul – a holistic Health Education programme for youth groups.  
- Ten sessions covering physical, mental, emotional, social, spiritual and societal health.  
- Individual sessions focusing on stress, body image, relationships and sexual health

**Tabor Lodge Treatment Centre**  
Tel.: 021 4887110  
taborlodge@eircom.net  
Bailindeasig, Belgooly, Co. Cork.

**Services Provided:**  
- 28 day residential addiction treatment programme  
- Aftercare  
- Family programme  
- Intervention support  
- Seminars for employers and employees

**YMCA Youth Counselling Services**  
Tel.: 021 4270187 / 4273056  
11-12 Marlboro Street, (opposite Clancy’s), Cork City.

**Services Provided:**  
- Counselling service for 15+ years old who are under stress and / or at risk of alcohol / drug misuse
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**Youghal Community Drugs Initiative**
Tel.: 024 90673 / 086 3842183
[www.youghaldrugsinitiative.ie](http://www.youghaldrugsinitiative.ie)
C/o Youghal Youth Committee, 28 North Main Street, Youghal, Co. Cork

**Services Provided:**
- One to one support for 14-24 year olds
- Advice
- Onward referral
- Education / prevention
- Family / parent support

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**Youth Health Service (YHS)**
Tel.: 021 4220490 / 1
[yhs@mailp.hse.ie](mailto:yhs@mailp.hse.ie)
73 Shandon Street, Cork City, (Across the Bridge from the Gate Cinema).

**Services Provided:**
- For young people under 25
- Counselling
- Health Promotion
- Crisis
- Pregnancy, pregnancy testing, post abortion counselling
- Family Planning
- Sexually transmitted Infection screening / diagnosis / treatment
- Onward referral
## Derry

### Alcohol and Drug Service Northern Sector

**Tel.:** 028 71865239  
**www.westerntrust.hscni.net**  
Woodlea House, Gransha Park, Derry BT47 6TF.

**Services Provided:**  
- Drug/alcohol assessments  
- 1:1 counselling  
- Family work  
- Outreach clinics throughout Strabane and Limavady Council areas

### Clarendon Medical Health Centre (Addiction Clinic)

**Tel.:** 028 7186 5239  
**35 Northland Avenue, Derry, BT48 7JW.**

**Services Provided:**  
- Drug/alcohol assessments  
- One-to-one counselling  
- Family work where suitable  
- Outreach clinics in various locations throughout the Foyle Trust area

### Coleraine Rural & Urban Network (CRUN)

**Tel.:** 028 7034 4934  
**www.crun.org**  
1a Railway Road, Coleraine, Co. Derry, BT52 1PD.

**Services Provided:**  
- Education/prevention programmes with vulnerable / at risk young people, adults and parents  
- Onward referral  
- Specialist resource for other agencies  
- Advice and support

### Damien House

**Tel.:** 028 7136 1156  
**damienhouse.firsthousing@btinternet.com**  
**www.first-housing.com**  
12 Foyle Road, Derry, BT48 6SQ.

**Services Provided:**  
- 12 bedded hostel  
- Holistic support to men with mental health and alcohol misuse problems

### Community Support Service

**Tel.:** 028 7186 5236  
**www.westerntrust.hscni.net**  
Oak Villa, Gransha Park, Derry, BT47 6WJ.

**Services Provided:**  
- Supports communities in identifying and responding to alcohol and drug issues  
- Assist in producing and facilitating action plans to reduce the impact of alcohol and drugs on local communities

### Active Families Programme

**Tel.:** 028 82245321  
**Fiona.teague@omagh.gov.uk**  
Lisnamallard Hse., Old Mountfield Rd., Omagh, BT797EG.

**Services Provided:**  
- Role modelling approach increasing physical activity among disadvantaged families  
- Delivers preventative message around CHD risk factors including alcohol/smoking/drugs misuse  
- 12-week programme

### Divert Project

**Tel.:** 028 7126 9327 / 028 7127 3973  
**divert@freederry.org, www.freederry.org**  
Dove House Community Trust, 32 Meenan Square, Bogside, Derry City, BT48 9EX.

**Services Provided:**  
- One-to-one mentoring  
- Education and prevention  
- Support for young people  
- Parents support
### Where to Get Help

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**Domiciliary Outreach Programme for Older People**
Tel: 028 7131 4239  Fax: 028 7131 4262
evlington@westerntrust.hscni.net
www.westerntrust.hscni.net
Rossdowney House, Glendermott Road, Waterside, Derry, BT48.

**Services Provided:**
- Older people with substance misuse problems
- Harm reduction
- Workshops
- Information/advice to older people & carers
- Educational roadshow

**Foyle Haven Health Project**
Tel: 028 7136 5259
foylehaven@bctconnect.com
23a, John Street, Derry, BT48 6JY.

**Services Provided:**
- Drop-in centre that provides
- Practical services
- Advocacy
- Befriending service for street drinkers/homeless street drinkers

**Foyle Valley House**
Tel/Fax: 028 7136 2689
www.nwhgroup.com
30 Foyle Road, Derry, BT48 6SQ.

**Services Provided:**
- 14 bedded crisis residential facility for women with severe alcohol problems
- Open referral

**House-in-the-Wells**
Tel.: 028 7126 7957
www.nwhgroup.com
The House, 130 St Columb’s Wells, Derry, BT48 6LY.

**Services Provided:**
- 25-bedded facility for men
- Chalet accommodation for people moving towards recovery
- Open referral and self referral

#### DERRY

**Drug and Alcohol Training Programme**
Tel.: 028 7186 5236
dartp@westerntrust.hscni.net
www.westerntrust.hscni.net
DATP Office, Oak Villa, Gransha Park, Derry, BT47 6WJ.

**Services Provided:**
- Training
- Mentoring

**Foyle Tranquillisers Initiative (FTI)**
Tel.: 028 71365330
www.bbhealthforum.org
Bogside & Brandywell Forum, 128 Lecky Road, Derry.

**Services Provided:**
- Implementation of a range of effective actions to reduce the extent of benzodiazepine misuse/abuse in the Northern Sector
- Open Access and Advertising workshops

**Health Promotion Department**
Tel: 028 7186 5127
Eilish.mccloskey@westerntrust.hscni.net
Maple Villa, Gransha Park, Derry, BT47 6WJ.

**Services Provided:**
- NCFE Level 1 and 2 Awareness
- Leaflets
- Literature

**HURT - Have your tomorrows**
Tel.: 028 7136 9696
www.hurtni.org.uk
14 Clarendon Street, Derry, BT48 7ES.

**Services Provided:**
- Support to families of alcohol and drug users
- Listening ear service
- Alternative therapies
- Specific programmes for young people
**DERRY**

**Magilligan Prison Project**  
Tel: 028 7772 0375  
Willie.mcmahon@nio.x.gsi.gov.uk  
www.niprisonservice.gov.uk  
HMP Magilligan, Point Road, Magilligan, Co Derry, BT49 0LP.  

Services Provided:  
- Drug and alcohol education  
- Counselling and Support

**DERRY**

**Needle and Syringe Exchange Scheme**  
Lloyds Pharmacies,  
1 Ebrington Terrace, Waterside, Derry  
Superdrug, 30-32 Ferryquay Street, Cityside, Derry.  

Services Provided:  
- Pharmacy based needle and syringe exchange scheme for injecting drug users  
- Self referral

**DERRY**

**Northlands**  
Tel.: 028 7131 3232  
Shepherds Way, Dungiven Road, Derry, BT4 5GW.  

Services Provided:  
- Counselling  
- Advice and support  
- Family support  
- Residential treatment  
- Aftercare  
- Educational and preventative services

**DERRY**

**Opportunity Youth and ASCERT - DAISY**  
Tel: 028 7137 1162  
info@ascert.biz info@opportunity-youth.org  
www.ascert.biz www.opportunity-youth.org  
29a Strand Road, Derry, BT74 7BL.  

Services Provided:  
- Drug and Alcohol Intervention Service for young people under 18 and their families  
- Tier 2/3 treatment, counselling and mentoring support  
- Open referral

**DERRY**

**Parents Advice Centre**  
Tel.: 028 7137 2006  
derry@pachelp.org www.pachelp.org  
65 Clarendon Street, Derry, BT48 7ER.  

Services Provided:  
- Support and counselling

**DERRY**

**Probation Board (NI) Drink driving Programme – Northern Ireland**  
Tel.: 028 8224 6051  
admin.Omagh@pbni.org.uk  
www.pbni.org.uk  
Omagh Probation Office, High Street, Omagh, BT78 1 BA.  

Services Provided:  
- A court-mandated programme for individuals disqualified from driving includes multi-agency inputs. Participants pay £150 to attend.

**DERRY**

**Substitute Prescribing Service**  
Tel: 028 7186 5239  
lorna.forrest@westerntrust.hscni.net  
www.westerntrust.hscni.net  
Woodlea House, Gransha Park, Derry, BT47 6TF.  

Services Provided:  
- Provides substitute-prescribing service for opiate users.  
- GP Referral

**DERRY**

**Western Education and Library Board (Youth Advisory Service)**  
Tel: 028 7138 2096  
sean.cassidy@welbni.org www.welbni.org  
Strabane Youth Office, Unit 9, Market Centre, Upper Main Street, Strabane, Co Tyrone.  

Services Provided:  
- Training  
- Education and prevention
## Donegal

### HSE Community Alcohol and Drug Services
Tel.: 074 9362529  
Community Nursing Unit, Magin Avenue, Buncrana, Co. Donegal.

**Services Provided:**  
- Counselling  
- Self referral  
- Onward referral if necessary  
- Treats alcohol, drugs and gambling addictions

### HSE Alcohol and Substance Counselling & Advisory Service
Tel.: 074 9128769  
9 St. Eunan’s Court, Convent Rd, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.

**Services Provided:**  
- 30-day outpatient group therapy  
- Aftercare  
- Relapse prevention  
- Group and one-to-one counselling and advice  
- Treats alcohol, drugs and gambling addictions

### HSE Donegal Mental Health Services
Tel.: 074 9521860  
Psychiatric Service, Dungloe District Hospital, Dungloe, Donegal.

**Services Provided:**  
- Counselling  
- Self referral or by Doctor  
- Onward referral if necessary  
- Treats alcohol, drugs and gambling addictions

### White Oaks Rehabilitation Centre
Tel.: 074 9384400  
whiteoaksrehabcentre@hotmail.com  
Muff, Co. Donegal.

**Services Provided:**  
- 37 day residential programme  
- One-to-one counselling  
- Individual treatment plans  
- Meditation  
- Self/family/professional referral  
- Family service  
- 2 year aftercare
Where to get help - Counties

**Down**

**ASCERT**
Tel: 028 9260 4422
www.ascert.biz info@ascert.biz
23 Bridge Street, Lisburn, Co Down, BT28 1XZ.

Services Provided:
- Youth Treatment and Support service for young people and their families (DAISY)
- Targeted Education programmes
- Training • Support and counselling • Education and prevention • Community Development

**Down**

**Bamados: The Pharos Project**
Tel.: 028 9127 1538
Simpson Family Resource Centre, 40 Manse Road, Bangor, BT20 3DE.

Services Provided:
- Services to families where there is parental substance misuse • Support and counselling
- Individual work with children • Parenting work
- Couple / group / family work

**Down**

**Comber Drugs Awareness Group (CODAG)**
Tel.: 028 9151 0275
Life Education Centre, Health development, Ards Community Hospital, Church Street, Newtownards, BT23 4AS.

Services Provided:
- Education and prevention programmes in primary schools

**Down**

**Community Addiction Team / Downshire Hospital**
Tel.: 028 4461 3311
Ward 15, Ardglass Road, Downpatrick, Co Down, BT30 6RA.

Services Provided:
- For ages 18+ • Inpatient detox • Prescribed drugs misuse service • Multi-disciplinary treatment • Substitute prescribing • Counselling
- Family Support • Advice

**Down**

**Community Addiction Team, Down and Lisburn Areas**
Tel.: 028 9266 8607
TSL House, 38 Bachelor's Walk, Lisburn, Co Down, BT28 1XZ.

Services Provided:
- Inpatient detox • Advice • For ages 18+
- Prescribed drugs misuse service
- Multi-disciplinary treatment • Substitute prescribing • Counselling
- Multi-disciplinary treatment • Substitute prescribing • Counselling • Family Support

**Down**

**Community Addiction Team, North Down and Ards Area**
Tel: 028 9181 6666
3 Church Street, Newtownards, Co Down, BT23 4AN.

Services Provided:
- Inpatient detox • Advice • For ages 18+
- Prescribed drugs misuse service
- Multi-disciplinary treatment • Substitute prescribing • Counselling • Family Support

**Down**

**Contact Youth**
Tel: 028 9032 0092
Youthline: 0808 808 8000
14 College Square North, Belfast, BT1 6AS.

Services Provided:
- For ages 25 and under • Counselling
- Mentoring • Family support
- Advice and support • Support groups • Helpline
### Section Five - Where to Get Help

**Down**

**Cuan Mhuire**
Tel: 028 3026 9121
Newry, Co. Down.

Services Provided:
- Accepts referrals from across Ulster
- Residential treatment • Aftercare
- Halfway House
- Counselling and advice for adults/teens

**Drug and Alcohol Misuse Mental Health Service (DAAMHS)**
Tel.: 028 9020 4600
Young People’s Centre, 10 College Gardens, Belfast, Co. Antrim, BT9 6BQ.

Services Provided:
- Support for young people with complex dual diagnosis needs • For ages 17 and under
- Counselling • Structured activities
- Family support • Advice

**FASA**
Tel.: 028 9127 1322
Fountain Centre, 2-4 Queen’s Parade, Bangor, Co Down, BT20 3BJ.

Services Provided:
- Training • Treatment and early intervention
- Support and counselling
- Education and prevention
- Community development

**Know the Score Drug and Alcohol Project**
Tel.: 028 3025 7395
knowthescore@hotmail.co.uk
St John Bosco Youth Centre, Chequer Hill, Newry, Co Down, BT35 6DY.

Services Provided:
- Training • Education and prevention
- Statistics and research
- Community development

**MARC Project**
Tel.: 028 9182 1124
The Link Centre, 14-16 South Street, Newtownards, Co Down, BT23 4JT.

Services Provided:
- Drop-in service providing lunch, support and recreation • Training / education • Physical / emotional health information sessions • Record of Achievement programme • Floating Support
- For ages 18+ • Advice • Structured activities

**Newry Adolescent Partnership**
Tel.: 028 3025 1115
N.A.P@btconnect.com
14a The Mall, Newry, BT34 1BX.

Services Provided:
- Preventative service
- Individual work • Drug and alcohol awareness
- Sexual health information • Relationship guidance • Anger management • Education
- Careers advice • Group work
- Duke of Edinburgh Awards

**Newry and Mourne Drugs and Alcohol Partnership**
Tel.: 028 3083 4271/4252
John Mitchel Place, Newry, BT34 2BU.

Services Provided:
- Community Alcohol / Drug Support • BME/Migrant Worker Alcohol / Drug Support • 1:1 support • Education
- Interventions addressing underage / binge drinking, anti-social behaviour
- Accredited Training • Parent Support / Training

**Opportunity Youth**
Tel.: 028 90435810
www.opportunity-youth.org
info@opportunity-youth.org
Hildon House, 30/34 Hill street, Belfast, BT1 2LB

Services Provided:
- Counselling • Mentoring
- Group Work • Community Drop in • Information and Awareness • Accredited Training
- Telephone Support • Signposting & Referrals
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## Where to Get Help

### Canal Communities Training Programme (TURAS)
**Tel:** 01 450 5396 / 450 5069  
Unit C & C1, Bluebell Business Park, Old Naas Road, Bluebell, Dublin 12.

**Services Provided:**
- Holistic Therapies
- Stepping Stones
- Personal Development
- Key Working
- Relapse Prevention
- VEC English and Maths
- Arts and Crafts
- Computers

### City Wide Drugs Crisis Campaign
**Tel:** 01 836 5090  
www.citywide.ie  
175 North Strand Road, Dublin 1.

**Services Provided:**
- Support & Guidance for families of people with drug problems
- Support and facilitate local groups

### Chrysalis Community Drug Project
**Tel:** 01 670 5544  
www.chrysalisdrugproject.org  
info@chrysalisdrugproject.org  
27 Benburb Street, Dublin 7.

**Services Provided:**
- Counselling
- Advice
- Family support

### Clondalkin Addiction Support Programme
**Tel:** 01 623 8000  
casp@iol.ie  
Ballywoven Meadows, Fonthill Road, Dublin 22.

**Services Provided:**
- Counselling
- Drugs Outreach
- Detoxification
- Family Support

### Cluain Mhuire Service
**Tel:** 01 217 2100  
cms@sjog.ie  
www.sjog.ie  
Newtownpark Avenue, Blackrock, Co. Dublin.

**Services Provided:**
- Inpatient
- Outpatient
- Detoxification

### Cherry Orchard Family Centre
**Tel:** 01 623 1313  
Cherry Orchard Avenue, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10.

**Services Provided:**
- Therapeutic work with individuals and wider family
- Work with adolescents affected by alcohol in the home
- Work regarding relationships, bereavement and suicide
- Parenting skills

### Cheshire Community Services
**Tel:** 01 620 7187  
Drug related Disability Support, Ballyfermot Civic and Community Centre, Ballyfermot Road, Dublin 10.

**Services Provided:**
- Support for people who have disabilities through drug use
- Befriending service
- Practical and emotional support

### Community Awareness of Drugs
**Tel:** 01 679 2681  
communityawareness@eircom.net  
www.cadaboutdrugs.ie  
31 Central Hotel Chambers, Dame Court, Dublin 2.

**Services Provided:**
- Drug education
- Training for parents, carers and community workers
## Dublin Community Links Project
Tel: 01 453 7842 / 402 0326
lynnks@eircom.net
Oblates Basketball Arena, Tyrconnell Road, Inchicore, Dublin 8.

**Services Provided:**
- FAS/HSE funded return to employment training
- Addiction project workers

## Dublin Crinan Project
Tel: 01 855 8792
72 Lower Sean McDermott Street, Dublin 1.

**Services Provided:**
- For under 21yr olds
- Medical, therapeutic, social and educational support

## Dublin Coolmine Therapeutic Community
Tel.: 01 679 4822 / 679 3765
coolhse@eircom.net
Coolmine House, 19 Lord Edward Street, Dublin 2.

**Services Provided:**
- Inpatient
- Outpatient
- Education
- Aftercare

## Dublin Crosscare Drug & Alcohol Programme
Tel.: 01 836 0911
www.dap.ie
Red House, Cloniffe College, Drumcondra, Dublin 3.

**Services Provided:**
- Training and drug education
- Support • Counselling • Advocacy
- Confidential interactive website
- Text service
**Damndale/Belcamp Drugs Awareness Group**
Tel.: 01 848 7733
Rear of Parish Hall, Darndale, Dublin 17.

Services Provided:
- Parent support
- Training
- Drop-in

**Dublin Counselling and Therapy Centre**
Tel.: 01 878 8236
info@dctc.ie
www.dctc.ie
41 Upper Gardiner Street, Dublin 1.

Services Provided:
- Counselling
- Support
- Treats alcohol, drugs, gambling and prescription drug addiction in adults

**D.R.O.P. (Dun Laoghaire Rathdown Outreach Project Ltd.)**
Tel.: 01 280 3187 / 280 3659
dropmanager@eircom.net www.drop.ie
45 Upper Georges Street, Dun Laoghaire.

Services Provided:
- Day/afternoon/evening service
- Family support
- Drug Free Group
- Counselling / Outreach
- Education
- Rehabilitation/reintegration
- Community Employment
- Holistic therapy
- Harm reduction
- Confidential, non-judgemental support

**Drug Treatment Centre Board**
Tel.: 01 648 8600
info@dtcb.ie
Trinity Court, 30/31 Pearse Street, Dublin 2.

Services Provided:
- Advice for parents and teachers
- Advisory service to professionals
- Aftercare programmes for drug users
- Inpatient / Outpatient treatment

**EDIT**
Tel.: 01 867 0271 / 848 2230
The Hail Centre, 205 Edenmore Avenue, Edenmore, Dublin 5.

Services Provided:
- Day programme for methadone stable clients
- Outreach
- Workshops
- Information
- Community work
- Advocacy
- Youth Centre

**DUBLIN**
**Donnycarney Youth/Drug Project**
Tel.: 01 831 4985
‘Le Cheille’ Youth & Community Centre, Collins Av. East, Donnycarney, Dublin 5.

Services Provided:
- C.E. scheme
- Drug clinic
- Drop-in

**Dublin Familyscope**
Tel.: 01 620 6842
info@familiscope.ie www.familiscope.ie
201c Decies Road, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10.

Services Provided:
- Child Welfare Worker
- Prevention/intervention
- Services liason
- Family therapist
- Incredible Years/Next Steps/Parenting Programmes
- Onward referral
- Art/Music therapy
- Speech/language programmes
- In-school courses
### Dublin

#### FAST (Finglas Addiction Support Team)
- **Tel.:** 01 811 0595
- fast.ltd@eircom.net
- St Helenas Resource Centre, St Helenas Rd., Finglas.

**Services Provided:**
- Counselling
- Drop-in service
- Family support
- Advice and information on drugs and alcohol
- Massage, Reiki & acupuncture
- Aftercare support group
- Cocaine service (daytime/ evening appointments)

#### Dublin HSE Alcohol Treatment Unit
- **Tel.:** 01 660 7838
- Baggot Street Community Hospital, 18 Upper Baggot Street, Dublin 4.

**Services Provided:**
- Individual Counselling
- Assessment
- Aftercare

#### Dubin HSE Alcoh ol Treatment Unit
- **Tel.:** 01 660 7838
- Cherry Orchard Hospital, Ballyfermot Road, Dublin.

**Services Provided:**
- Drugs addiction service
- Methadone detox / maintenance
- Assessment
- Outreach
- Counselling
- 3 month day programme for adults
- GP detox
- Young persons programme

#### Fusion CPL
- **Tel.:** 01 623 1499
- Cherry Orchard Health Centre, Cherry Orchard Grove, Ballyfermot, Dublin.

**Services Provided:**
- Supporting those who are stable and want to change their drug using lifestyle
- Employment / training / education
- Holistic / Alternative treatments
- Community Prison Link Worker
- Keyworking

#### Howth Peninsula DAG
- **Tel.:** 086 353 1029
- 5 St. Lawrence Terrace, Howth, Co. Dublin.

**Services Provided:**
- Counselling
- Group therapy
- Break the Cycle Programme
- Life Skills in Schools Programme
- Workshops in Alcohol and Addiction
- Recovery Coaching

#### Hanly Centre
- **Tel.:** 01 280 9795
- info@thehanlycentre.com
- www.thehanlycentre.com
- Eblana Mews, Eblana Avenue, Dun Laoghaire.

**Services Provided:**
- Alcohol assessments
- Counselling
- Family Intervention Programme
- Group therapy
- Break the Cycle Programme
- Life Skills in Schools Programme
- Workshops in Alcohol and Addiction
- Recovery Coaching

#### H.O.P.E.
- **Tel.:** 01 887 8404
- 15 North Strand Road, Dublin 1.

**Services Provided:**
- Support / advice for families affected by drug use
- Education
- Training

#### FAST (Finglas Addiction Support Team)
- **Tel.:** 01 811 0595
- fast.ltd@eircom.net
- St Helenas Resource Centre, St Helenas Rd., Finglas.

**Services Provided:**
- Counselling
- Drop-in service
- Family support
- Advice and information on drugs and alcohol
- Massage, Reiki & acupuncture
- Aftercare support group
- Cocaine service (daytime/ evening appointments)
## WHERE TO GET HELP

### HSE Community Alcohol Services
Tel.: 01 451 6589 / 451 6754  
Ground Floor, Glen Abbey Centre,  
Belgard Road, Tallaght, Dublin 24.

**Services Provided:**  
- Counselling  
- Assessment  
- Education programme  
- Aftercare

### HSE Outreach Team
Tel.: 01 620 6400  
Bridge House. Cherry Orchard Hospital,  
Ballyfermot, Dublin.

**Services Provided:**  
- Needle exchange  
- Support to active drug users  
- Harm reduction  
- Health information

### HSE Young Persons Programme
Tel.: 01 620 6400  
Bridge House. Cherry Orchard Hospital,  
Ballyfermot, Dublin 10.

**Services Provided:**  
- For young people up to 23 years with drug and alcohol problems  
- Open referral  
- Counselling  
- Child psychologist  
- Practical and emotional support

### Inchicore Community Drug Team
Tel.: 01 473 6502  
icdt@eircom.net  
135 Emmet Road, Inchicore, Dublin 8.

**Services Provided:**  
- Counselling  
- Advice  
- Outreach  
- Alternative Therapy

### KCCP
Tel.: 01 832 4516  
Kilbarrack Community Hall, Greendale Road, Kilbarrack, Dublin 13

**Services Provided:**  
- Aftercare rehabilitation for drug addicts - 18+ years old  
- Youth Matters after-school programme - 8-18 years old  
- Funded by FAS and the HSE

### The Lodge
Tel.: 01 415 4807  
Old County Health Centre, Old County Road, Crumlin, Dublin 12.

**Services Provided:**  
- Methadone Maintenance  
- Detoxification and Stabilisation  
- Counselling  
- Outreach  
- Referral

### Lower Crumlin Family Support Group
Tel.: 01 473 6404  
Unit 1 Goldstone Court,  
Clogher Road, Crumlin, Dublin 12.

**Services Provided:**  
- Family support  
- Information and resources  
- Onward referral  
- Drop-in  
- Drugs out-reach worker.

### Matt Talbot Community Trust
Tel.:01 626 4899  
Rear Assumption Church, Kylemore Road, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10.

**Services Provided:**  
- Work with men who are or have been homeless and have a drug history  
- Computer training  
- Educational qualifications  
- Outreach  
- Community atmosphere  
- Accommodation support
### Dublin

#### Merchants Quay Ireland
Tel.: 01 677 1128  
info@mqi.ie  www.mqi.ie  
4 Merchants Quay, Dublin 8.

**Services Provided:**  
- Outpatient counselling  
- Aftercare  
- Group Therapy  
- Educational Services  
- Needle exchange  
- Methadone support service  
- 12 week residential programme  
- 1 year residential programme

#### MIC Project
Tel.: 01 877 1531  
info@micproject.org  www.micproject.org  
Darndale / Belcamp Village Centre, Darndale, Dublin 17.

**Services Provided:**  
- Full-time multi-media FAS course  
- Evening classes  
- Funded by local Drugs Task Force  
- Targets early school leavers and those at risk of alcohol and substance abuse

#### Mountview/Blakestown Community Drug Team
Tel.: 01 821 9140 / 821 1333  
105 Coolmine Ind. Estate, Coolmine, Dublin 15.

**Services Provided:**  
- Outpatient counselling  
- Needle exchange  
- Acupuncture  
- Massage

#### Patrick Street Addiction Centre
Tel.: 01 280 8472  
99 Patrick Street, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin.

**Services Provided:**  
- Methadone prescription  
- Counselling  
- Hepatitis C treatment

#### Peer Education Project
Tel.: 01 630 1560  
Block 12d, Joyce Way, Parkwest, Dublin 12.

**Services Provided:**  
- Provide drug education programmes to young people at risk  
- Information & outreach service  
- Develop peer education programmes  
- Support child & family development

#### RADE (Recovery through Arts, Drama and Education)
Tel.: 01 454 8733  
info@rade.ie  www.rade.ie  
OLV Building, Cathedral View Court, Off New Street, Dublin 8.

**Services Provided:**  
- Art and drama therapy  
- Tai Chi

#### Oasis Project
Tel.: 01 284 5722  
mscdp@gofree.indigo.ie  
74 Maple House, Mountown, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin.

**Services Provided:**  
- Outreach  
- Counselling for adults

#### Patrick Street Addiction Centre
Tel.: 01 280 8472  
99 Patrick Street, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin.

**Services Provided:**  
- Methadone prescription  
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- Hepatitis C treatment

#### Peer Education Project
Tel.: 01 630 1560  
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**Services Provided:**  
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mscdp@gofree.indigo.ie  
74 Maple House, Mountown, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin.

**Services Provided:**  
- Outreach  
- Counselling for adults
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<td>Dublin</td>
<td>St. John of God Hospital</td>
<td>Tel.: 01 288 1781 <a href="http://www.sjog.ie">www.sjog.ie</a> Stillorgan, Co. Dublin.</td>
<td>- Inpatient&lt;br&gt;- Outpatient&lt;br&gt;- Family therapy&lt;br&gt;- Detoxification</td>
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<td>St. Patricks Hospital</td>
<td>Tel.: 01 249 3200 <a href="http://www.stpatrickshosp.com">www.stpatrickshosp.com</a> Steeven's Lane, James' Street, Dublin 8.</td>
<td>- Inpatient&lt;br&gt;- Outpatient&lt;br&gt;- Family therapy&lt;br&gt;- Detoxification</td>
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<td>St. Vincent’s Psychiatric Hospital</td>
<td>Tel: 01 884 2401 Richmond Road, Fairview, Dublin 3.</td>
<td>- Inpatient&lt;br&gt;- Outpatient&lt;br&gt;- Family therapy&lt;br&gt;- Detoxification</td>
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<td>SAOL Project</td>
<td>Tel.: 01 855 3391 <a href="mailto:saol@saolproject.ie">saol@saolproject.ie</a> 58 Amien Street, Dublin 1.</td>
<td>• Non residential rehabilitation for women</td>
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<td>Dublin</td>
<td>Stanhope Centre</td>
<td>Tel.: 01 677 3965 / 677 9447 Grangegorman Lower, Dublin 7.</td>
<td>• Individual counselling • Family counselling • Alcohol assessments</td>
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<td>Sphere 17, Regional Youth Facility</td>
<td>Tel.: 01 867 4348 Darndale, D17</td>
<td>• One to one counselling • Group work • Drug and alcohol programmes • Sex education • School programmes • Garda Diversion Project • Drugs worker • Youth worker</td>
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<td>Dublin</td>
<td>The Snug Counselling and Information Service</td>
<td>Tel.: 01 878 6231 <a href="mailto:thesnug@eircom.net">thesnug@eircom.net</a> The Macro Centre 1, Green Street, Dublin 1.</td>
<td>• Counselling • Individual / family support • Drug awareness • Women’s Group</td>
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<td>Dublin</td>
<td>Talbot Centre</td>
<td>Tel.: 01 836 3434 / 836 6746 086 8507811 <a href="mailto:talbotcentre@eircom.net">talbotcentre@eircom.net</a> 29 Upper Buckingham Street, Dublin 1.</td>
<td>• Individual counselling • Family therapy • Child and family work • Advocacy • Family support • Drug education and information • Working with under 21’s and families</td>
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<td>Dublin</td>
<td>Tallaght Community Drug Team</td>
<td>Tel: 01 451 3894 First Floor, Glan Abbey Centre, Belgard Road, Dublin 24.</td>
<td>• Assessment • Counselling • Advice</td>
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<td>Dublin</td>
<td>YODA: Youth Drug and Alcohol Service</td>
<td>Tel.: 01 466 5040 2nd Floor, Tallaght Addiction Services, Glenabbey Centre, Belgard Road, Tallaght, D24.</td>
<td>• Young persons programme • Family support • Family therapy • Counselling • Multidisciplinary team</td>
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| **Aisling Centre**  
Tel.: 028 6632 5811  
www.aislingcentre.com  
aislingcentre@btopenworld.com  
37 Darling Street, Enniskillen, BT747DP.  
Services Provided:  
• Counselling  
• Psychotherapy service  
• Drugs education and awareness programmes  
• Creche  
• Alternative therapy treatments | **Active Families Programme**  
Tel.: 028 82245321  
Fiona.teague@omagh.gov.uk  
Services Provided:  
• Role modelling approach increasing physical activity among disadvantaged families  
• Delivers preventative message around CHD risk factors including alcohol/smoking/drugs misuse  
• 12-week programme |
| **Community Support Service**  
Tel.: 028 8224 0855  
www.westerntrust.hscni.net  
Tyrone and Fermanagh Hospital, 1 Donaghanie Rd, Co. Tyrone, BT79 0NS.  
Services Provided:  
• Supports communities in identifying and responding to alcohol and drug issues  
• Assist in producing and facilitating action plans to reduce the impact of alcohol and drugs on local communities. | **Breakthru**  
Helpline: Freephone 0808 800 2020  
mail@breakthru.co.uk  
www.breakthru.co.uk  
C/O 18 Killymeal Road, Dungannon, Co. Tyrone, BT71 6LJ.  
Services Provided:  
• Early intervention/prevention programmes  
• Peer education, personal development, life skills  
• Community-based outreach  
• Open Referral |
| **Drug and Alcohol training Programme**  
Tel.: 028 7186 5236  
datp@westerntrust.hscni.net  
www.westerntrust.hscni.net  
DATP Office, Oak Villa, Gransha Park, Derry, BT47 6WJ.  
Services Provided:  
• Training  
• Mentoring | **Drugwiser Family Support Group**  
Tel.: 07749699243  
Helpline: 07708758924  
flanagan827@btinternet.com  
jacquipinholes@hotmail.com  
Access through the Aisling Centre, 37 Darling Street, Enniskillen, BT747DP.  
Services Provided:  
• Support for families of alcohol and drug users |
| **Ego Project**  
Tel.: 028 6634 3818  
www.theegoproject.com  
info@theegoproject.com  
The INTEC Centre, 36 East Bridge Street, Enniskillen, BT74 7BT.  
Services Provided:  
• Counselling  
• Treatment  
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<td>Tel: 028 6634 7878</td>
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<td><a href="mailto:Enniskillen.firsthousing@btinternet.com">Enniskillen.firsthousing@btinternet.com</a></td>
<td>Eilish.mc <a href="mailto:closkey@westerntrust.hscni.net">closkey@westerntrust.hscni.net</a></td>
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<td><a href="http://www.firsthousing.com">www.firsthousing.com</a></td>
<td>Maple Villa, Gransha Park, Derry, BT47 6WJ.</td>
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<td>7 Queen Street, Enniskillen, Co. Fermanagh, BT74 7JR.</td>
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<td>Services Provided: • For individuals who due to alcohol/drug misuse have difficulty maintaining tenancies/appropriate household conditions</td>
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<td><strong>Ramona House</strong></td>
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<td>Tel.: 028 7137 1162</td>
<td>Tel/Fax: 028 8225 2730</td>
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<td><a href="mailto:info@ascert.biz">info@ascert.biz</a> <a href="mailto:info@opportunity-youth.org">info@opportunity-youth.org</a></td>
<td><a href="mailto:Ramona.firsthousing@btinternet.com">Ramona.firsthousing@btinternet.com</a></td>
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<td><a href="http://www.info@firsthousing.com">www.info@firsthousing.com</a></td>
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<td>29a Strand Road, Derry, BT74 7BL.</td>
<td>96 Circular Road, Omagh, County Tyrone, BT79 7HA.</td>
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<td>Services Provided: • Drug and Alcohol Intervention Service for young people under 18 and their families • Tier 2/3 treatment, counselling and mentoring support service • Open referral</td>
<td>Services Provided: • Emergency/acute beds for chronic drinkers recovering from a drinking episode • 4 medium/long stay beds for individuals with an excessive drinking history</td>
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<td>Tel.: 028 6862 8737 Helpline:07990796778</td>
<td>Tel.: 028 7186 5239 Omagh 028 8283 5852</td>
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<td><a href="mailto:Mannix.magee@archlc.com">Mannix.magee@archlc.com</a></td>
<td><a href="mailto:Josephine.mullin@westerntrust.hscni.net">Josephine.mullin@westerntrust.hscni.net</a></td>
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<td><a href="http://www.irvinestowndevelopment.com">www.irvinestowndevelopment.com</a></td>
<td><a href="http://www.westerntrust.hscni.net">www.westerntrust.hscni.net</a></td>
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<td>The Rock, 44 Mill Street, Irvinestown, County Fermanagh, BT94 1HQ.</td>
<td>1 Donaghanie Rd, Tyrone and Fermanagh Hospital, Omagh, BT79 0NS.</td>
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<td>Services Provided: • Support • Advocacy • Advice • Education/prevention • Skills development • Development/support workers • Befriending • Recreational facilities • Meal service • Outreach support</td>
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<td>Tel.: 028 7138 2096</td>
<td><strong>Fermanagh Community Alcohol Support Service (FCAS)</strong></td>
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<td><a href="mailto:sean_cassidy@welbni.org">sean_cassidy@welbni.org</a></td>
<td>Tel: 028 6634 7878</td>
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<td><a href="http://www.welbni.org">www.welbni.org</a></td>
<td><a href="mailto:Enniskillen.firsthousing@btinternet.com">Enniskillen.firsthousing@btinternet.com</a></td>
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<td>Strabane Youth Office, Unit 9, Market Centre, Upper Main Street, Strabane, Co. Tyrone.</td>
<td><a href="http://www.firsthousing.com">www.firsthousing.com</a></td>
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<td>Services Provided: • Training • Education and prevention</td>
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### GALWAY

#### Cuan Mhuire
Tel.: 091 797102
Coolarne, Athenry, Co. Galway.

**Services Provided:**
- Inpatient
- Aftercare
- Counselling • Advisory Services
- Treats alcohol, gambling and prescription drug addictions in adults

#### HSE Addiction Counselling Service
Tel.: 090 9679571
Mental Health Centre, Mountbellew, Co. Galway.

**Services Provided:**
- Outpatient treatment • Aftercare • Counselling
- Advisory Services
- Employee Assistance Programme
- Treats alcohol, gambling & prescription drug addiction in adults

#### HSE Addiction Counselling Service
Tel.: 090 9759180
Castle Oaks Day Hospital, Dominic St., Portumna, Co. Galway.

**Services Provided:**
- Counselling
- Onward referral
- Information and Support

#### HSE Addiction Counselling Service
Tel.: 090 630949
Community Day Hospital, Ennis Road, Gort, Co. Galway.

**Services Provided:**
- Day Hospital
- Counselling
- Onward referral
- Information and Support

#### HSE Addiction Counselling Service
Tel.: 091 755883
Merlin Park Regional Hospital, Galway.

**Services Provided:**
- Outpatient treatment • Aftercare • Counselling
- Advisory Services
- Employee Assistance Programme
- Treats alcohol, gambling & prescription drug addiction in adults
GALWAY

HSE Addiction Counselling Service
Tel.: 091 847556
Dochas Nua, Bride Street, Loughrea, Co. Galway.

Services Provided:
- Outpatient treatment • Aftercare
- Counselling • Advisory Services
- Employee Assistance Programme
- Treats alcohol, gambling & prescription drug addiction in adults

GALWAY

HSE Drugs Service
Tel.: 091 561299
64 Dominick Street, Galway.

Services Provided:
- Advice • Information • Support
- One-to-one drug counselling - all ages
- Under 18 alcohol counselling
- Education service for parents and community groups

GALWAY

HSE Drugs Service
Tel.: 091 847088
Dochas Nua, Bride Street, Loughrea, Co. Galway.

Services Provided:
- Advice • Information • Support
- One-to-one drug counselling - all ages
- Under 18 alcohol counselling
- Education service for parents and community groups

GALWAY

WRDTF Community Liaison Worker
Tel.: 093-26548/091-866912/087-6629953
www.wrdtf.ie
Youthreach Offices, Airglooney, Tuam.

Services Provided:
- Information on substance misuse and on available treatment programmes.
- Promotion of ‘Healthy Lifestyle’ choices and ‘Positive Alternatives’ to substance misuse
- Liaison with Statutory & Voluntary agencies
- Research into substance misuse

KERRY

HSE Drugs Service
Tel.: 093 60474
The Mall, Tuam, Co. Galway.

Services Provided:
- Advice • Information • Support
- One-to-one drug counselling - all ages
- Under 18 alcohol counselling
- Education service for parents and community groups
### KERRY

**Club Kerry**  
Tel.: 021 4921670 / 066 7184566  
hpdsouth@hse.ie  
Health Promotion Department, Kerry  
Community Services, Rathass, Tralee,  
Co. Kerry.  
Services Provided:  
- Developed by Health Promotion Department, An Garda Siochana, local publicans  
- Increase awareness of negative effects of drug/alcohol misuse for pub/club employees  
- Explore/identify solutions

**Kerry Killarney Community Drugs Initiative**  
Tel.: 068 31748 / 086 7364605  
sigi@kdys.ie  
C/o KDYS, Youth Centre, Killarney,  
Co. Kerry.  
Services Provided:  
- Low-threshold intervention for 17 to 21 year olds who are at risk of misusing drugs/alcohol, are currently misusing or who have recently stopped and need ongoing support

**Talbot Grove Treatment Centre**  
Tel.: 066 7141511  
Castleisland, Co. Kerry.  
Services Provided:  
- Inpatient  
- Outpatient  
- Aftercare  
- Counselling  
- Advisory Service  
- Employee Assistance Programme

**HSE Counselling and Advisory Services**  
Tel.: 066 9135104  
Edward Court, Edward Street, Tralee.  
Services Provided:  
- One-to-one Counselling  
- Non-residential Treatment Programme  
- Concerned Persons Programme

**Listowel Community Drugs Initiative**  
Tel.: 068 23744  
gerardlowe@kdys.ie  
C/o Upper Church St., Listowel, Co. Kerry.  
Services Provided:  
- Work with young people at risk from drug/alcohol misuse aged 12-21  
- Family support

**Tralee Community Drugs Initiative**  
Tel.: 066 7180190 / 087 6708702  
phannatin@partnershiptral.com  
C/o Partnership Trale, Ashe Street, Tralee, Co. Kerry.  
Services Provided:  
- Inpatient  
- Outpatient  
- Aftercare  
- Counselling  
- Advisory Service  
- Employee Assistance Programme

### KILDARE

**Club Kerry**  
Tel.: 021 4921670 / 066 7184566  
hpd.south@hse.ie  
Health Promotion Department, Kerry  
Community Services, Rathass, Tralee,  
Co. Kerry.  
Services Provided:  
- Developed by Health Promotion Department, An Garda Siochana, local publicans  
- Increase awareness of negative effects of drug/alcohol misuse for pub/club employees  
- Explore/identify solutions
## KILDARE

### Abbey Project
Tel.: 085 1052406
kildare.ie/community/directory/details
St. Eustace Centre, Parochial House, Main Street, Celbridge.

Services Provided:
- Information
- Onward referral
- Holistic therapies
- Family support
- Drop-in centre

### Cuan Mhuire
Tel.: 059 8631493 / 8631090
Milltown, Athy, Co. Kildare.

Services Provided:
- Inpatient
- Aftercare
- Halfway House
- Counselling
- Advisory Services
- Treats alcohol, drugs & prescription drug addiction in adults

### Community Alcohol and Drug Service
Tel.: 045 446350
Newbridge Health Centre, Henry Street, Newbridge.

Services Provided:
- Addiction counselling
- Outreach
- Education
- Onward referral
- Treats alcohol, drugs, gambling and prescription drug addictions

### Community Addiction Team
Tel.: 045 872500
Hillview House, Old Kilcullen Road, Naas, Co. Kildare.

Services Provided:
- Support
- Referrals
- Assessment
- Holistic therapies
- Drop-in
- Family Support

### Drug Prevention Education Initiative
Tel.: 01 6301560 / 086 8358884
aokeeffe@foroige.ie
Foroige Block 12D, Joyce Way, Parkwest, Dublin 12.

Services Provided:
- Prevention Education
- Harm Reduction education
- Policy training

### Teen Challenge
Tel.: 01 6714436 / 087 6523731
Teen Challenge National Office, 42a Pearse Street, Dublin 2.

Services Provided:
- Drug Prevention and awareness
- Outreach
- Pre-induction
- Rehabilitation
- Family care programme

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## KILKENNY
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#### Aislinn Adolescent Addiction Treatment Centre
Tel.: 056 8833777  
www.aislinn.ie  
info@aislinn.ie  
Ballyragget, Co. Kilkenny.

Services Provided:  
- Inpatient  
- Aftercare  
- Family Support Programme  
- Counselling  
- Group therapy  
- Treats alcohol, drugs, gambling, prescription drug addictions for people aged 15-21 years old

#### HSE Community Addiction Service
Tel.: 056 7763677  
St. Luke’s General Hospital, Kilkenny.

Services Provided:  
- Inpatient  
- Outpatient  
- Extended Care  
- Counselling  
- Advisory Services  
- Treats alcohol, drugs & prescription drug addiction in teens and adults

#### Kilkenny City Community Based Drug Initiative / Kilkenny Rural CBDI
Tel.: 056 7761200  
mbay@ossaryyouth.com  
dgray@ossaryyouth.com  
Ossory Youth, Desart Hall, New Street, Kilkenny.

Services Provided:  
- Information  
- Outward Referral  
- One-to-one or Group Support  
- Education  
- Community Involvement

### LAOIS

#### Community Alcohol and Drugs Service (CADS)
Tel.: 057 8692516  
1 Coote Street, Portlaoise, Co. Laois.

Services Provided:  
- Assessment  
- Counselling  
- Education and information  
- Outpatient psychiatric clinics for people with Alcohol & Drug problems and their families  
- Methadone Maintenance & Urinalysis Out Patient Clinics  
- Covers Co. Laoise and Co. Offaly

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<td><strong>HSE Alcohol &amp; Substance Counselling Services</strong> Tel.: 071 9621215 Summer Hill Lodge, Carrick-on-Shannon, Co. Leitrim.</td>
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<td>Services Provided: • Outpatient • Aftercare • Counselling • Advice &amp; information • Employee Assistance Programme • Treats alcohol, drugs &amp; prescription drug addiction in teens and adults • Covers Co. Sligo and Co. Leitrim</td>
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<td><strong>Churchtown Day Hospital</strong> Tel.: 069 61799 Newcastle, Co. Limerick.</td>
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<td>Services Provided: • Drug / Alcohol awareness and prevention • Addiction counselling • Prison programme • Homeless outreach • Family support</td>
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<td>Services Provided: • Inpatient • Outpatient • Detox • 2-Year Aftercare Programme • Transition House • Treats alcohol, drugs, gambling and prescription drug addictions in adults</td>
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<td>Services Provided: • Counselling • Information • Referrals • Prescription clinic • Limerick, Clare and North Tipperary Primary Care Team • Needle exchange • Community Outreach • Education / training • Treats alcohol, drugs, gambling, prescription drug addictions</td>
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### Mayo

**Castlebar Counselling & Therapy Centre**
Tel.: 094 9028746
castlebarpsychotherapy
‘Four Winds’, Westport Road, Castlebar, Co. Mayo.

**Services Provided:**
- Counselling
- Support
- Treats alcohol, drugs, gambling and prescription drug addiction in adults

**HSE Addiction Counselling Service**
Tel.: 094 9021733
St. Mary’s Hospital, Castlebar, Co. Mayo.

**Services Provided:**
- Inpatient
- Outpatient
- Aftercare
- Counselling • Advisory Services
- Treats alcohol, gambling and prescription drug addictions in adults

**Hope House**
Tel.: 094 9256888
hopehouse@eircom.net
www.hopehouse.ie
Foxford, Co. Mayo.

**Services Provided:**
- Inpatient • Outpatient
- Aftercare • Counselling • Advisory Services
- Employee Assistance Programme
- Treats alcohol, gambling, illicit and prescribed drug addictions in adults • Family counselling

**HSE Addiction Counselling Service**
Tel.: 096 20300
Ballina Community Mental Health Centre, Mercy Road, Ballina, Co. Mayo.

**Services Provided:**
- Outpatient • Aftercare
- Counselling • Advisory Service
- Treats alcohol, gambling and prescription drug addictions in adults

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**Louth**

**Make Change Project**
Tel.: 042 9326645
(Family support 087 317 9654)
Ait na nDaoine CDP, Muihevnamor, Dundalk.

**Services Provided:**
- Drop-in / advice service for drug users and their families • Support groups
- Provision of drug education & prevention to parents and young people

**TURAS Counselling Services**
Tel.: 042 9338221/ 9338224
turascounsellingservice@gmail.com
59 Clanbrassil Street, Dundalk, Co Louth.

**Services Provided:**
- 20 - week day care programme for recovering drug users (and alcohol if under 18)
- Motivational work prior to the Aftercare Programme
- Individual counselling

**PYE School Peer Education Project**
Tel.: 042 9330258
pyeprogrammes@yahoo.com
112 Ard Easmuin, Dundalk, Co. Louth.

**Services Provided:**
- Deliver a number of Peer Education programmes to schools in the North East • Aim to enable young people to become Peer Educators in relation to Smoking, Alcohol and Drugs, which can then be passed on to their peers, families and communities

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**Where to get help - Counties**
**MAYO**

**HSE Addiction Counselling Service**  
Tel.: 094 9541615  
Ballinrobe Day Centre, Ballinrobe, Co. Mayo.

Services Provided:  
- Outpatient  
- Aftercare  
- Counselling  
- Advisory Service  
- Treats alcohol, gambling and prescription drug addictions in adults

**MAYO**

**HSE Addiction Counselling Service**  
Tel.: 094 52715  
Swinford Treatment Centre, The Lodge, Dublin Road, Swinford, Co. Mayo.

Services Provided:  
- Inpatient  
- Outpatient  
- Aftercare  
- Counselling  
- Advisory Service  
- Treats alcohol, drugs, gambling and prescription drug addictions in adults

**MAYO**

**HSE Drugs Service**  
Tel.: 096 60060  
Neighbourhood Youth Service, Pearse Street, Ballina, Co. Mayo.

Services Provided:  
- Information  
- Advice  
- Support  
- Drugs counselling for adults/teens  
- Alcohol counselling for under 18’s  
- Education for parents and community groups

**MAYO**

**WRDTF Community Liaison Worker**  
Tel.: 087 6682392  
clwmayo@eircom.net  
www.wrdtf.ie  
Mayo VEC Admin. Offices, Cavendish House, Hopkins Road, Castlebar, Co. Mayo.

Services Provided:  
- Information on substance misuse & treatment programmes  
- Promotion of ‘Healthy Lifestyle’ choices and ‘Positive Alternatives’ to substance misuse  
- Liaison with relevant agencies  
- Substance misuse research

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**MEATH**
### MEATH

#### Aisling Group International (Charity)
Tel.: 046 9074300
www.aislinggroupinternational.ie
P.O. Box 26, Bridan House, Navan, Co. Meath.

Services Provided:
- Counselling/Recovery programme
- Drug and alcohol training/education
- Community Group development
- Drug Policy Development
- Family/organisation support
- Early intervention programmes

#### HSE Alcohol Service
Tel.: 046 9071648
Clonard House, Market Square, Navan, Co. Meath.

Services Provided:
- Information
- Specialist advice
- Resources
- Training • Counselling

#### HSE Alcohol Service
Tel.: 046 9076400
Health Promotion Unit, N.E.H.B., Railway Street, Navan, Co. Meath.

Services Provided:
- Assessment
- Support
- Withdrawal treatment
- Counselling • Referral

#### Pillar Family Support Group
Tel.: 086 8404395
7 Abbey View, Slane, Co. Meath.

Services Provided:
- Support meetings for friends and family of drug and alcohol users

#### South Meath Response Project
Tel.: 046 9437245
smrproject@eircom.net
www.community.meath.ie/smrproject
The Maudlins Centre, Trim, Co. Meath.

Services Provided:
- Family support groups
- Parental/adult drugs education
- Community level access to drugs-related information
- Counselling for post-primary pupils identified through the existing ‘Open Space’ project

#### South Meath Family Support Group
Tel.: 086 408 1511

Services Provided:
- Support meetings for friends and family of drug and alcohol users

#### St. James Camino Network
Tel.: 046 9549241
Meadowbrook, Cloncurry Cross, Enfield, Co. Meath.

Services Provided:
- Holistic approach to rehabilitation and education
- Group therapy
- Individual counselling
- Family support
- Relapse prevention
- Accommodation support
- Residential programme

#### Tabor House
Tel.: 046 9077909
Trim Road, Dillonstown, Navan, Co. Meath.

Services Provided:
- Inpatient treatment
- 3 month minimum counselling for clients who completed the Tabor House programme
- Family support
- Support including re-housing, employment, training / education
- Intervention counselling • Aftercare
## MONAGHAN

### Cavan/Monaghan Drug Awareness
Tel.: 042 966 6983
Henry St., Bailieborough, Co. Cavan.

Services Provided:
- Addiction Counselling
- Family Support
- Education/Awareness Programmes
- Auricular Acupuncture
- Provision of literature
- Treats alcohol, drugs, gambling and prescription drug addictions

### Cavan / Monaghan Drug Education Initiative
Tel.: 047 71663
Sharon.cumiskey@foroige.ie
Monaghan Neighbourhood Youth Project, Ardroe House, Glen Road, Monaghan.

Services Provided:
- Individual work
- Group work
- Family support
- Advice and information
- Peer education

### Cuan Mhuire
Tel.: 042 9748533
Curfad, Ballybay, Co. Monaghan.

Services Provided:
- Counselling
- Referral
- AA, Al Anon & GA meetings
- Residential & non residential

### HSE Addiction Resource Centre
Tel.: 047 72100
Local Health Centre Unit, Rooskey, Monaghan.

Services Provided:
- Outpatient
- Aftercare
- Counselling
- Advisory services
- Employee Assistance Programme
- Treats alcohol, drugs, gambling and prescription drug addictions in adults

### ISPCC 4ME
Tel.: 047 84420
3 Hill Street, Monaghan.

Services Provided:
- Youth mentoring & support
- Family support
- Advice & referral

### St Davnet’s Hospital Services
Tel.: 047 77400
St Davnet’s Hospital, Monaghan.

Services Provided:
- Inpatient
- Outpatient
- Extended Care
- Counselling
- Advisory Services
- Treats alcohol, drugs, gambling and prescription drug addictions in adults.
### OFFALY

#### Community Alcohol & Drug Service (CADS)

**Tel.:** 057 8692516  
**sec.cadsportlaoise@hse.ie**  
1 Coote Street, Portlaoise, Co. Laois.

**Services Provided:**  
- Assessment  
- Counselling  
- Education  
- Information  
- Outpatient clinics for people with Alcohol / Drug problems and their families  
- Methadone Maintenance & Urinalysis  
- Outpatient Clinics  
- Covers Laoise and Offaly

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#### Kedron Counselling & Therapy Centre

**Tel.:** 046 973331  
**kedron@eircom.net**  
St. Mary’s Road, Edenderry, Co. Offaly.

**Services Provided:**  
- Counselling  
- Support  
- Treats alcohol, drugs, gambling and prescription drug addiction in adults

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### ROSCOMMON

#### HSE Addiction Counselling Services

**Tel.:** 090 6626477  
The Lodge, Co. Hospital, Roscommon.

**Services Provided:**  
- Outpatient  
- Aftercare  
- Counselling  
- Advisory Services  
- Treats alcohol, drugs, gambling and prescription drug addictions in adults

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#### HSE Drugs Service

**Tel.:** 090 6625395  
Roscommon Youth Information Service, Castle Street, Roscommon.

**Services Provided:**  
- Advice  
- Information  
- Support  
- Drugs counselling for all ages  
- Alcohol counselling for teens  
- Education for parents and community groups

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#### HSE Drugs Service

**Tel.:** 071 9664801  
Neighbourhood Youth Project, St. Josephs Resource Centre, Abbeyeytown, Boyle.

**Services Provided:**  
- Advice  
- Information  
- Support  
- Drug counselling for all ages  
- Alcohol counselling for under 18’s  
- Education service for parents and community groups
## ROSCOMMON

**WRDTF Community Liaison Worker**  
Tel: 09066 34189 / 086-8522969  
www.wrdtf.ie  
Co. Roscommon VEC, Castlecourt House, Castle St., Roscommon.

**Services Provided:**  
- Information on substance misuse and treatment programmes  
- Promotion of ‘Healthy Lifestyle’ choices and of ‘Positive Alternatives’ to substance misuse  
- Liaison with relevant agencies  
- Substance misuse research

## SLIGO

### HSE Alcohol and Substance Counselling Service

**Tel.:** 071 918 5966  
Tubbercurry Health Centre, Tubbercurry, Co. Sligo.

**Services Provided:**  
- Counselling  
- Advice  
- Prevention  
- Education

### HSE Alcohol and Substance Misuse Counselling Service

**Tel.:** 071 918 3002  

**Services Provided:**  
- Counselling  
- Advice  
- Prevention  
- Education

### HSE Alcohol and Substance Counselling Service

**Tel.:** 071 914 9100  
Charter House, Old Market Street, Sligo.

**Services Provided:**  
- One to one Counselling  
- Advice  
- Prevention  
- Education  
- Assessment  
- Relapse Prevention

## TIPPERARY

**Aiséirí**  
Tel.: 052 41166  
aiseiri@eircom.net  
www.aiseiri.ie  
Aiséirí Treatment Centre, Townspark, Cahir, Co. Tipperary.

**Services Provided:**  
- Inpatient  
- Outpatient  
- Counselling  
- Aftercare  
- Advisory Services  
- Employee Assistance Programme  
- Treats alcohol, drugs, gambling and prescription drugs addictions in adults

### Alcohol & Addiction Treatment Service

**Tel.:** 052 26533  
Coolgreaney House, Queen Street, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary.

**Services Provided:**  
- Outpatient  
- Aftercare  
- Counselling  
- Advisory Services  
- Employee Assistance Programme
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## TYRONE

### Break Thru Centre
Tel.: 028 8775 3228  
mail@breakthru.co.uk  
18 Killymeal Dungannon  
Co. Tyrone, BT71 6LJ.

**Services Provided:**  
• Community Development  
• Education  
• Information  
• Onward referral  
• Work with parents  
• Training  
• Outreach  
• Suicide Prevention  
• Self harm counselling

### Community Support Service
Tel.: 028 8224 0855  
www.westerntrust.hscni.net  
1 Donaghanie Road, Omagh,  
Co. Tyrone, BT79 0NS.

**Services Provided:**  
• Supports communities in identifying and responding to alcohol and drug issues  
• Assist in producing and facilitating action plans to reduce the impact of alcohol and drugs on local communities.

### Cookstown / Dungannon Divisional Youth Office
Tel.: 028 8772 2167  
Unit 6, 7-9 Market Square, Dungannon,  
BT70 1JF.

**Services Provided:**  
• Counselling  
• Advice  
• Support  
• Education

### The Haven
Tel.: 052 54676  
www.stauros.com/haven.htm  
Coalbrook, Thurles, Co Tipperary.

**Services Provided:**  
• Residential care  
• Provision of spiritual, emotional and physical help by providing a comprehensive, Biblically based programme to address such issues  
• Education  
• Training  
• Resources

### Thurles Addiction Counselling Service
Tel.: 0504 23828  
St. Mary’s Health Centre, Upper Parnell Street, Thurles, Co. Tipperary.

**Services Provided:**  
• Counselling  
• Assessment  
• Detoxification  
• Advice

### Active Families Programme
Tel.: 028 82245321  
Fiona.teague@omagh.gov.uk

**Services Provided:**  
• Role modelling approach to increase physical activity among disadvantaged families  
• Prevention / education  
• 12-week programme

### Addiiction Treatment Unit
Tel.: 028 8283 5443 (alcohol)  
Tel.: 028 8283 5203 (drugs)  
Tyrone and Fermanagh Hospital, Hospital Road, Omagh, BT79 0NS.

**Services Provided:**  
• Residential treatment  
• Counselling in Tyrone and Fermanagh  
• Advice  
• Support  
• Education  
• Helpline  
• Family group meeting  
• Women’s group meetings

### Where to get help - Counties
## TYRONE
### Drug and Alcohol Training Programme
Tel.: 028 7196 5126  
datp@westerntrust.hscni.net  
www.westerntrust.hscni.net  
DATP Office, Oak Villa, Gransha Park, Derry, BT47 6WJ.

**Services Provided:**
- Training  
- Mentoring

### Opportunity Youth and ASCERT - DAISY
Tel.: 028 7137 1162  
info@ascert.biz info@opportunity-youth.org  
www.ascert.biz www.opportunity-youth.org  
29a Strand Road, Derry, BT74 7BL.

**Services Provided:**
- Drug and Alcohol Intervention Service for young people and their families.  
- Accessible to young people under 18 years  
- Tier 2/3 treatment, counselling and mentoring support service  
- Self referral and open referral

### Probation Board (NI) Drink driving Programme – Northern Ireland
Tel.: 028 8224 6051  
admin.Omagh@pbni.org.uk  
www.pbni.org.uk  
Omagh Probation Office, High Street, Omagh, BT78 1 BA.

**Services Provided:**
- A court-mandated programme for individuals disqualified from driving includes multi-agency inputs.  
- Participants pay £150 to attend.

### TIPSA (Teenagers Involved in Protecting Selves Around Alcohol)
Tel.: 028 8676 3388  
www.cookstownhelp.com  
info@cookstownhelp.com  
Gortalowry House, 94 Church Street, Cookstown, BT80 8HX.

**Services Provided:**
- Information / education  
- Training for young people, parents, groups  
- Works in Co. Derry also

### Health Promotion Department
Tel.: 028 7186 5127  
Eilish.mccloskey@westerntrust.hscni.net  
Maple Villa, Gransha Park, Derry, BT47 6WJ.

**Services Provided:**
- NCFE Level 1 and 2 awareness  
- Leaflets  
- Literature

### Parents Advice Centre (Dungannon)
Tel.: 028 8775 2900  
Freephone: 0800 8010 722  
parents@pachelp.org  
www.parentsadvicecentre.org  
1 Feenys Lane, Dungannon, BT70 1TX.

**Services Provided:**
- Support and counselling

### Substitute Prescribing Service
Tel.: 028 7186 5239  
Omagh 028 8283 5852  
Josephine.mullin@westerntrust.hscni.net  
www.westerntrust.hscni.net  
1 Donaghanie Rd, Tyrone and Fermanagh Hospital, Omagh, BT79 0NS.

**Services Provided:**
- Provides substitute-prescribing service for opiate users.  
- GP Referral

### Western Education and Library Board (Youth Advisory Service)
Tel.: 028 7138 2096  
sean_cassidy@welbni.org  
www.welbni.org  
Strabane Youth Office, Unit 9, Market Centre, Upper Main Street, Strabane, Co Tyrone.

**Services Provided:**
- Training  
- Education and prevention
WATERFORD

A.C.C.E.P.T. Addiction Treatment Services (Brook House)
Tel.: 051 842790
Brook House, Cork Road, Waterford.

Services Provided:
• Inpatient
• Outpatient
• Aftercare • Counselling
• Advisory Services
• Treats alcohol, drugs, gambling and prescription drugs addictions in adults

Aiséiri
Tel.: 051 853 974
aiseiri@eircom.net
Ceim Eile, Waterford.

Services Provided:
• Inpatient • Outpatient
• Counselling • Aftercare • Advisory Services
• Employee Assistance Programme
• Treats alcohol, drugs, gambling, prescription drugs addictions in adults

Axis Youth Project
Tel.: 051 358638
Ballybeg Youth Resource Centre, Clonard Park, Ballybeg, Waterford.

Services Provided:
• Accessing facilities for 10-19yr olds at risk of substance misuse
• Out-of-hours activities
• Funded by the Young People’s Facilities and Services Fund • Community worker

County Waterford Community Based Drugs Initiative
Tel.: 058 48946
cecbd1@wrys.iol.ie
C/O Dungarvan Youth Resource Centre, Rinnasilogue, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford.

Services Provided:
• Information & support • Parent & family support • Drug education • Peer education

Waterford County Community Based Drugs Initiative
Tel.: 051 998723
cwcbdi2.wrys@iol.ie
Community Building, Ard An Ghleanna, Tramore, Co. Waterford.

Services Provided:
• Information & support
• Parent & family support
• Drug education • Peer education

E.A.P. Institute
Tel.: 051 855733
eapinstitute@eircom.net
143 Barrack Street, Waterford.

Services Provided:
• Counselling
• Employee Assistance Programme
• Advisory Service
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<td>Services Provided: • For young people between the ages of 13-21 involved in high-risk drug misuse who are experiencing exclusion because of their drug use and socio-economic background • Covering the wider County Waterford area</td>
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<td>Unit 24, Johnstown Business Park, Johnstown, Waterford.</td>
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### Northern Suburbs Community Youth Project
**Tel.** 051 590284  
64 Logloss, Gracedieu Heights, Waterford.

**Services Provided:**  
- Opportunities for unattached young people aged between 10-21 primarily from the Hillview, Gracedieu / Logloss areas  
- Recreational activities  
- Developmental programmes  
- Funded by the Young People’s Facilities and Services Fund

### Southside Community Based Drugs Initiative
**Tel.:** 051 8435525  
southside@wrys.iol.ie  
Youth Resource Centre, John’s Park, Waterford.

**Services Provided:**  
- Information & support  
- Parent & family support  
- Drug education • Peer education

### TREO
**Tel.:** 051 379740  
treopoortlairge@eircom.net  
34 Tycor Business Centre, Tycor, Waterford.

**Services Provided:**  
- Basic education, training and life skills programmes  
- Supporting participants in accessing appropriate community based responses

### Waterford City Community Based Drugs Initiative
**Tel.:** 051 35100  
wcbd@wrys.iol.ie  
Millennium Youth and Community Centre, Church Road, Lisduggan, Waterford.

**Services Provided:**  
- Information & support  
- Parent & family support  
- Drug education • Peer education

### Waterford Outreach Worker
**Tel.:** 086 8561681  
wdo.wrys@iol.ie  
Waterford Outreach Drug Project, C/O Youth Resource Centre, 2 Friary Street, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford.

**Services Provided:**  
- For young people aged 13+ involved in substance misuse and experiencing social exclusion  
- Support and encouragement to address the issues/problems in their lives

### Waterford Substance Misuse Team
**Tel.:** 051 301 201  
Health Service Executive, 10A Waterside, Waterford.

**Services Provided:**  
- Counselling for adults and adolescents  
- Drug education and awareness  
- Drug prevention projects

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### WESTMEATH
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**Athlone Drug Awareness Group**  
Tel.: 090 6474028  
C/O St Martins Centre, St Vincents Hospital, Athlone, Co. Westmeath.  

Services Provided:  
- Drug awareness talks  
- Non-alcoholic youth discos/events  
- Dissemination of material on substance misuse

**Community Alcohol & Drug Service (CADS)**  
Tel.: 090 6491305  
sec.cadsathlone@hs.e.ie  
Re Nua, St. Vincent's Hospital, Athlone, Co. Westmeath.  

Services Provided:  
- Assessment  
- Outpatient clinics for people with Alcohol / Drug problems and their families  
- Methadone Maintenance Clinics & Urinalysis Out Patient Clinics  
- Counselling  
- Education and information

### WEXFORD

**Aiséirí Treatment Centre**  
Tel.: 053 9141818  
wexford@aiseiri.ie  
www.aiseiri.ie  
Roxborough, Wexford.  

Services Provided:  
- 28 day residential treatment programme  
- 2 year continuing care programme  
- Family support programme  
- Treats alcohol, drugs, gambling and prescription drug addictions in adults

**Community Alcohol / Drug Services**  
Tel.: 053 9243200 / 9123899 ext 225  
St. Senan's Hospital, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford.  

Services Provided:  
- Inpatient  
- Outpatient  
- Aftercare  
- Counselling  
- Advisory Services  
- Employee Assistance Programme  
- Treats alcohol, drugs, gambling and prescription drug addictions in adults

**The Commarket Project**  
Tel.: 053 9144931  
Wexford Area Partnership, Mallin St., Wexford.  

Services Provided:  
- Free, confidential one-to-one counselling  
- Structured day programmes  
- Outreach service  
- Family Support  
- Drop-in service
**WEXFORD**

**Healthy Choices / Healthy Decisions**  
Tel.: 053 9123262  
healthychoiceshealthydecisions@eircom.net  
FDYS, Youth Work Ireland, Francis Street, Wexford.

**Services Provided:**  
- Uses a peer education approach to educate young people  
- To promote and inform healthy decision making

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**ISPCC – 4 ME Service**  
Tel.: 053 9123864  
40 Abbey Street, Wexford.

**Services Provided:**  
- Individual counselling to children  
- Counselling by phone and weblink  
- Also cover drug awareness issues

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**Outreach Worker - Wexford**  
Tel.: 053 9123262  
fdys@iol.ie  
FDYS, Youth Work Ireland, Francis Street, Wexford.

**Services Provided:**  
- For people involved in high risk drug misuse  
- Alternative / holistic / therapeutic / creative programmes  
- Link with existing service • Family support

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**Wexford Community Based Drugs Initiative**  
Tel.: 053 9121691  
wexfordcbdii@gmail.com  
C/O Ferns Diocesan Youth Service, Francis Street, Wexford.

**Services Provided:**  
- Information & support  
- Parent & family support  
- Drug education • Peer education

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**Wexford Community Based Drugs Initiative**  
Tel.: 0879351774  
wexfordcbdii@gmail.com  
Youth Centre PO Box 36, Nunnery Lane, New Ross, Co. Wexford.

**Services Provided:**  
- Information & support  
- Parent & family support  
- Drug education • Peer education

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**Wexford Substance Misuse Service**  
Tel: 051 426000  
Community Care Offices, Park House, New Ross, Co. Wexford.

**Services Provided:**  
- Counselling  
- Family therapy  
- Education
**Arkwlow Community Addiction Team**
Tel.: 0402 33577
9a Upper Mount Street, Arklow,
Co. Wicklow.

Services Provided:
- Outpatient
- Aftercare
- Counselling
- Advisory Service

**Bray Community Addiction Team**
Tel.: 01 2764692
brayaddictionteam@eircom.net
37 Beechwood Close, Boghall Road,
Bray, Co. Wicklow.

Services Provided:
- Counselling
- Referral

**The Bara Project**
Tel.: 0402 33577
9a Main Street, Arklow, Co. Wicklow.

Services Provided:
- Advocacy
- One to one support
- Family support
- Addiction counselling
- Holistic therapies
- Drug education programs
- Onward referral
- Prison links work
- Information and advice on drugs, drug use, and related health promotion

**Forest**
Tel.: 01 2015863
info@forest.ie www.forest.ie
Glendalough, County Wicklow.

Services Provided:
- Residential Treatment
- Counselling
- Family Therapy
- Yoga

**Killarney Road Clinic**
Tel.: 01 276 2918
Killarney Road, Bray, Co. Wicklow.

Services Provided:
- Addiction Services
- Counselling referral
- Outreach
- Needle exchange

**Treo Nua Rehabilitation Project**
Tel.: 0402 31312 / 31313
cwcasltd@gmail.com
39 Wexford Road,
Arklow, Co. Wicklow.

Services Provided:
- A structured day program for individuals who are (a) methadone stable or (b) recently drug free.

**Wicklow Child & Family Project**
Tel.: 0404 64725
wcandfp@indigo.ie
The Mall, Wicklow Town.

Services Provided:
- Family counselling
- One-to-one counselling
- Drop-in
- Support
- Information • Advocacy
## Regional and Local Drug Task Forces - Republic of Ireland

The role of the Drug Task Forces is to co-ordinate the overall development of drug services in their area. They are very useful to contact for up-to-date information on services in these areas.

### Ballyfermot Local Drug Task Force
- Tel.: 01 623 8001  
- taskforce@ballyfermotadvance.ie  
- Bridge House, Cherry Orchard Hospital, Ballyfermot, D10.

### Ballymun Local Drug Task Force
- Tel.: 01 883 2142  
- admin.bldtf@axis-ballymun.ie  
- Axis Centre, Main Street, Ballymun, D9.

### Blanchardstown Local Drug Task Force
- Tel.: 01 860 4845  
- bldts@hse.ie  
- 22 (a) Main Street, Blanchardstown, D15.

### Bray Local Drug Task Force
- Tel.: 01 276 2975  
- cathadmin@eircom.net  
- Unit 2, First Floor, 24 Florence Road, Bray, Co. Wicklow.

### Canal Communities Local Drug Task Force
- Tel.: 01 620 6413  
- c/o Addiction Services, Bridge House, Cherry Orchard Hospital, Ballyfermot, D10.

### Clondalkin Local Drug Task Force
- Tel.: 01 457 9445  
- cdtf1@indigo.ie  
- www.drugtaskforce.ie  
- Unit 5, Oakfield Industrial Estate, Clondalkin, D22.

### Cork Local Drugs Task Force (Cork City)
- Tel.: 021 4930100  
- info@corkldtf.ie  
- www.corkldtf.ie  
- Community Services Offices, 1st Floor, Kinvarra Hse, Dublin Hill, Cork.

### Dublin 12 Local Drug Task Force
- Tel.: 01 620 6422  
- c/o Addiction Services, Bridge House, Cherry Orchard Hospital Ballyfermot, D10.

### North Dublin City and County Region Drugs Task Force (North Dublin City and Fingal)
- Tel.: 01 813 1786  
- assistance@ndublinrdtf.ie  
- www.ndublinrdtf.ie  
- 7 Forrest Mews, Forrest Road, Swords, Co. Dublin.

### Dublin North East Local Drugs Task Force
- Tel.: 01 846 5070  
- www.dnedtforce@gmail.com  
- www.freetobeme.ie  
- Le Chéile, Clancarthy Road, Donnycarney, D5.

### Dublin South Inner City Local Drug Task Force (South Dublin, Kildare and West Wicklow)
- Tel.: 01 620 6438  
- Bridge House, Cherry Orchard Hospital, Ballyfermot, Dublin 10.

### Dun Laoghaire / Rathdown Local Drug Task Force
- Tel.: 01 280 3335  
- HSE Addiction Services, First Floor, Centenary House, 35 York Road, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin.

### East Coast Region Drug Task Force (Dun Laoghaire Rathdown and Wicklow)
- Tel.: 0404 64978  
- Morton Road, Wicklow Town.

### Finglas / Cabra Local Drug Task Force
- Tel.: 01 830 7440  
- lorna.hannon@finglascabraldtf.ie  
- Tolka Clinic, 121 Broombridge Close, Ballybogging Road, D11.

### Midland Regional Drugs Task Force (Laois, Longford, Offaly & Westmeath)
- Tel.: 057 935 7818  
- mrdtf@hse.ie  
- HSE, Unit 4, Central Bus. Park, Clonminch, Tullaghmore, Co. Offaly.

### Mid Westen Region Drugs Task Force (Clare, Limerick & Tipperary North)
- Tel.: 061 445 392  
- info@mwrdtf.ie  
- www.mwrdtf.ie  
- Unit 5, Steanboat Quay, Dock Road, Limerick.

### North Eastern Region Drugs Task Force (East Cavan, Louth, Meath & Monaghan)
- Tel.: 046 924 8630  
- info@nedrugtaskforce.ie  
- www.nedrugtaskforce.ie  
- 1 Castle Street, Kells, Co. Meath.

### North West Alcohol Forum Ltd.
- Tel.: 074 9125596  
- info@nwaf.ie  
- www.nwaf.ie  
- Unit B9, Enterprise Fund Business Park, Ballyraine, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.

### North Western Region Drugs Task Force (Donegal, Leitrim, Sligo & West Cavan)
- Tel.: 071 985 2000  
- drugtaskforce@hse.ie  
- www.nedrugtaskforce.ie  
- Community Services Officers, 1st Floor, Kinvarra Hse, Dublin Hill, Cork.

### South Eastern Region Drugs Task Force (Carlow/Kilkenny/Tipperary South/Waterford/Wexford)
- Tel.: 051 841 144  
- mel.serdtf@gmail.com  
- chris.serdtf@gmail.com  
- Farronshoneen Youth & Community Centre, Farronshoneen, Upper Grange, Waterford.

### Southern Region Drugs Task Force (Cork and Kerry)
- Tel.: 021 4930100  
- www.srdtf.ie  
- Community Services Officers, 1st Floor, Kinvarra House, Dublin Hill, Cork.

### South Western Region Drugs Task Force (Kildare, West Wicklow South Dublin City & South Dublin)
- Tel.: 045 848 538  
- admin@swrdtf.ie  
- www.swrdtf.ie  
- Block A, Maudlins Hall, Dublin Road, Naas, Co. Kildare.

### Tallaght Local Drug Task Force
- Tel.: 01 466 4243  
- www.tallaghtdtf.ie  

### Western Region Drugs Task Force (Galway, Mayo & Roscommon)
- Tel.: 091 865865  
- info@wrtdtf.ie  
- www.wrtdtf.ie  
- Unit 6, Galway Technology Park, Parkmore, Galway.
Drug and Alcohol Co-ordination Teams - Northern Ireland

The role of the Alcohol & Drug Co-ordination Teams is to co-ordinate the development of strategy and services delivered by drug and alcohol agencies in Northern Ireland. They provide very useful information on the drug and alcohol related issues in their areas.

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<td>Tel.: 028 9027 9398 <a href="mailto:info@edact.org">info@edact.org</a> <a href="http://www.edact.org">www.edact.org</a></td>
<td>Tel.: 028 37414557 <a href="mailto:drugscoteam@btconnect.com">drugscoteam@btconnect.com</a></td>
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<td>Public Health Agency, 18 Ormeau Avenue, Belfast, BT2 8HS</td>
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<td>Tel.: 028 8225 3950 Anderson House, 2nd Floor, Market Street, Omagh, BT78 1EE</td>
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Health Promotion Offices in Republic of Ireland

Health Promotion Departments are valuable sources of leaflets and other printed information about drugs and alcohol. The staff have expertise in developing drug and alcohol policies and will be able to advise on drug and alcohol education and prevention issues.

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<td>Health Promotion Department, Block 4, Central Business Park, Clonminch, Portaloise Road, Tullamore, Co. Offaly.</td>
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<td>Tel.: 041 6860715</td>
<td>Tel.: 061 483215</td>
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<td>Health Promotion Department, St. Brigid’s Hospital, Ardee, Co. Louth</td>
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<td>Tel.: 071 9852000</td>
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<td>Health Promotion Department, Block B Civic Centre, Main Street, Bray, Co. Wicklow.</td>
<td>Health Promotion Department, Top Floor, Saimer Court, Main Street, Ballyshannon, Co. Donegal.</td>
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<tr>
<td>Health Promotion Department, 3rd Floor, 52 Broomhill Road, Tallaght, Dublin 24.</td>
<td>Health Promotion Department, 1st Floor West City Centre, Seamus Quirke Road, Galway.</td>
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<td>Tel.: 028 90563765</td>
<td>Tel.: 028 2563 5575</td>
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<tr>
<td>Communication, Resource &amp; Information Service (CRIS), Dorothy Gardiner Unit, Knockbracken HealthCARE Park, Saintfield Road, Belfast, BT2 8BS</td>
<td><a href="mailto:health.promotion2@northerntrust.hsni.net">health.promotion2@northerntrust.hsni.net</a></td>
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<tr>
<td>Tel.: 028 9032 1313. Eastern Area Health Promotion, Communication, Resource and Information Service (CRIS), Champion House, 12-22 Linenhall St., Belfast, BT2 8BS.</td>
<td>Tel.: 028 3741 2424 Southern Area Health Promotion Department, Promoting Wellbeing Team, Ward 1, St. Luke’s Hospital, Loughgall Road, Armagh, BT61 7NQ.</td>
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<td>Tel.: 028 7186 5127 Health Promotion Department, Maple Villa, Gransha Park, Derry, BT47 6WJ</td>
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PHOTOCOPIABLE REPORT FORM FOR RECORDING ALCOHOL AND DRUG RELATED INCIDENTS

Club name ____________________________________________________________

Date and time of incident: ______________________________________________

What happened? What was seen? What was said? Who was involved? FACTS ONLY

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Who has been informed?

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What action has been taken?

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Signed:

_____________________________ Date ___________
Club Secretary

_____________________________ Date ___________
Club Chairman

_____________________________ Date ___________
ASAP Officer

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Cumann Lúthchleas Gael are committed as part of their overall philosophy to ‘discourage the misuse of drugs, alcohol and tobacco on the basis that they are incompatible with a healthy approach to sporting activity’

Club believe that we need to create a safe and healthy club environment where members can develop the knowledge, skills and attitudes necessary to cope with drug and alcohol related issues. All club members, officials, coaches and volunteers as part of this club shall follow the law when it comes to illegal drugs, alcohol and tobacco and shall display leadership and good example, particularly when dealing with underage members.

Definition of Drugs:
A drug is a substance taken by people to change how they think, feel or behave. For the purpose of this policy the term “drug” shall include all mood altering substances, both legal and illegal including substances such as:

- Alcohol
- Tobacco
- Prescribed drugs such as antibiotics, inhalers, painkillers etc.
- Performance enhancing drugs as outlined by the World Anti-Doping Agency.
- Volatile substances such as aerosols, glue, petrol, cigarette lighter fuels etc.
- Products and substances sold online and in “headshops” that cause intoxication.
- “Over the counter” medicines such as paracetamol, anti-histamines, cough medicines etc.
- Controlled drugs such as cannabis, ecstasy, amphetamines, magic mushrooms, cocaine, etc.

Aims and Objectives:
The aim of this policy is to ensure that all club members are kept safe from drug-related harm when involved in club activities. Our objectives are...

- To develop a consistent approach to drug-related issues.
- To develop ways to address drug-related issues in the club.
- To establish clear procedures for managing drug-related incidents.

List of Actions: (these are recommended and others can be inserted as required)
The Chairperson and Executive of the club shall adopt and discharge actions from following list as appropriate to the resources of the Club.

Club shall take the following actions...

- Medal ceremonies shall not be held in pubs.
- Cigarettes shall not be sold in the clubhouse.
- Alcohol advertisements shall be phased out on club jerseys.
- The cup shall not be filled with alcohol during celebrations.
- Coaches and Club Officials shall not smoke or drink alcohol while representing their club at matches or training sessions.
- Club members, officials, coaches and volunteers shall not present themselves at club activities while under the influence of any drug.
- Under 18’s shall not be brought to pubs on the way to or from matches, outings or training sessions.
- Alcohol shall not be served at functions for players aged under 18 years of age.

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SAMPLE POLICY

SAMPLE CLUB DRUG AND ALCOHOL POLICY PAGE 2

All persons associated with our club can help prevent drug-related harm from occurring during club activities. The following roles are recommended (insert other recommendations as required).

Club Members

• Will be aware of the details of and adhere to ......................... Club Drug & Alcohol Policy.

Parents and Guardians

• Support the club in the development and implementation of this policy, including procedures for handling incidents of suspected drug misuse.

Coaches

• Will be aware of the possibility of drug misuse among players and work with the A.S.A.P. Club Officer, Club Chairman and Executives with the aim of preventing harm.

A.S.A.P. Club Officer

• The A.S.A.P. Club Officer is responsible for overseeing the development, implementation and evaluation of this policy in conjunction with the Club Chairperson and Executive.

• The A.S.A.P. Club Officer shall have good knowledge of the local drug, alcohol and health promotion services in order to assist the club in organising prevention, education and response activities as such needs arise.

• The Club A.S.A.P. Officer is .......................................................... Phone no. ..............................................

Club Chairperson (or Nominee)

All relevant information, paraphernalia or suspected substances found or received, shall be forwarded to the Club Chairperson who shall consult with the necessary parties before taking relevant action based upon this policy. In the event of the Chairperson not being available to discharge these duties, the responsibility will then automatically fall to the Vice Chairperson or Secretary or other nominated person.

Education programme about drugs and alcohol

................................. Club shall arrange for a drug education programme for members, players, parents etc as appropriate. This drug education programme may include the promotion of club policy, provision of literature, workshops or information sessions provided by personnel from local drug, alcohol or health promotion services.

• The Club A.S.A.P. Officer, in conjunction with the Club Chairperson, shall make arrangements with local drug, alcohol or health promotion services to provide drug education annually for adults associated with the club.

• The Club A.S.A.P. Officer, in conjunction with the Club Chairperson, shall make arrangements with local drug, alcohol or health promotion services to provide age appropriate drug education annually for young people associated with the club.

Protocol for dealing with drug misuse

................................. Club shall endeavour to respond to all drug-related incidents in a firm but fair manner, with due respect for the safety and welfare of individuals involved, other members of the club and the wider community and shall also fulfil any legal obligations that might apply.

Outline of Restrictions

The misuse or supply of drugs is viewed as unacceptable by ............................................. Club and members or officials are prohibited from presenting themselves for club duties while under the influence of a drug. Breaches of these restrictions are punishable by warnings, suspensions and expulsions as deemed appropriate.
Reporting of Incidents
Alleged or confirmed incidents in breach of this policy shall be referred to the Club Chairperson.

Recording of Information
Information regarding alleged or confirmed incidents in breach of this policy shall be recorded in writing. The recording of factual information is preferable and all opinions shall be stated as such. Responses to cases shall also be recorded in this way. Only in confirmed cases shall names of individuals be recorded.

Confidentiality
While it is not possible to guarantee, every effort shall be made to respect confidentiality.

Involving Parents/Guardians
Incidents involving any person under 18 years of age will require their parents/guardians to be informed. Parents/guardians shall be invited to discuss what has happened and shall be informed of any course of action to be taken by the club. The Club Chairperson shall nominate a person to inform parents/guardians in each case.

Garda/PSNI Involvement
Incidents that involve the illegal supply of drugs shall require Garda Síochána/PSNI involvement. In all other drug-related incidents, each case shall be considered on an individual basis and the decision shall rest with the Club Chairperson as to whether or not the Garda Síochána/PSNI are involved.

Search
The Club Chairperson retains the right to direct a search of any part of club property if there is reasonable cause to believe a substance in breach of this policy is contained therein. Two officials of the club shall conduct the search. Club Officials are not allowed to search an individual or their personal property. Where there is reasonable cause to believe a person has in their possession a substance in breach of this policy, they shall be asked to volunteer the substance. If they refuse, the Garda Síochána/PSNI may be called upon to conduct a search.

Disposing of suspected illegal substances
If a suspected illegal substance is found on club property it shall be brought to the attention of the Club Chairperson. The substance shall be stored securely and the Club Chairperson shall then decide whether the Garda Síochána/PSNI should be called to collect it, or whether it should be disposed of. Any disposal of suspected illegal substances shall be recorded and witnessed by two officials. At no time shall a suspected illegal substance be removed from club property without the knowledge of the Garda Síochána/PSNI.

Availability, use and storage of solvents and gases
Many solvent based products have the potential to be abused (e.g. deodorants, paints, thinners, cleaning fluids etc). All solvent based materials and gases shall be stored securely and safely away from public access.

Monitoring and Evaluation
This policy is in force at all times and during all activities conducted under the aegis of Cumann Lúthchleas Gael. This policy shall be evaluated annually and after every drug-related incident. This policy shall come into effect on _______________ and shall be reviewed annually thereafter by the Club A.S.A.P. Officer in conjunction with the Club Chairperson and Executive.

All policies must be approved by the County Committee and the County Officer, with copies of the policies going to the A.S.A.P. National Office and the A.S.A.P. County Officer.

Signed ...................................................... (Club Chairperson)  Signed ...................................................... (A.S.A.P. Club Officer)
Date __________/________/________ Date __________/________/________
This manual is designed to be a resource for people at all levels of the Association who want to know how to respond to alcohol and drug related problems that may occur at club or county level throughout the island of Ireland.

www.gaa.ie/asap