Developments in Alcohol & Drug Partnerships to prevent Drug Related Deaths

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Alcohol & Drug Partnerships

Typical membership

- Police Scotland
- Scottish Fire & Rescue Service
- Third Sector
- Health & Social Care Partnership
- People with Lived Experience
- Statutory Justice Services
- Statutory Children’s Services
- Community Planning
ADP Governance & Reporting

Scottish Government

Community Planning Partnership

Integrated Joint Board

Chief Officers Group

ADP
Quality Assurance

- Tayside Performance Framework(s)
  - Policy landscape document
  - Monitoring form
  - Dataset
  - Strategy map
  - Balanced scorecard

- Staying Alive Action Plan (Tayside)
- Care Inspectorate Recommendations (Local)
Protecting People

• Violence Against Women Partnerships – Rising rate of DD in women.

• Suicide Prevention Collaborative – supported to develop a process similar process to Drug Death Review group

• Child Protection Committee – Whole Family Approach Trauma informed practice through the lifespan.

• Adult Protection Committee – Non-Fatal Overdose Pathway Test of Change (Angus)
Current developments in Tayside

Non-Fatal Overdose Pathway Test of Change

The issue – 2 separate pathways


2 – Operating on a Tayside basis. Communication from Ambulance Service/A&E to named person within NHS (Harm Reduction Nurse Specialist) - reliant on checks within Substance Misuse Service re prescribing – *only people open to that service can be followed up*
Current developments in Tayside

Rationale for Test of Change

• What about the people who are not known to the prescribing Service?

• The responsible nurse now has the names of people and cannot do anything to intervene

• We know that non-fatal overdose is a predictor of fatality
Current developments in Tayside

Process of Test of Change

• Multi-disciplinary Task & Finish Group (BBV MCN, Harm Reduction, ASP Review Officer, Angus Integrated Drug & Alcohol Recovery Service, ADP Support Team)

• Merge of the two models described

• But.....

• General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR).......
So, what’s the plan?

• Merge 2 models described; All information to be given to AIDARS under the auspices of ASP legislation.

• Implement new tiered model of intervention based on assessed risk.
  • Office based appointment with Harm Reduction service
  • Appointment based home visit
  • Unannounced home visit

• Information for recipient that describes the above plus harm reduction advice/details of local supports available/offer of training

• Agree measures of impact
Tayside multi-agency framework for the prevention of early initiation of substance use

*whoever came up with this snappy title did not anticipate saying it in front of 100 plus people!

Multi-agency Task & Finish group (led by ADP Tayside Lead), reporting to the Tayside Children’s Services collaborative.

Progress so far

• Curricular Framework is ready for implementation
• Analysis of What Works is underway
Improving care pathways between hospital and community

Multi-agency SLWG, led by Professor of Hepatology and Gastroenterology

- Identified a number of people who had attended A&E 10+ times in 3 months who may benefit from intensive, focussed support.
- Agreed a multi-disciplinary MDT approach may provide best opportunity to intervene. – What is the Individuals priority rather than the services!

Progress so far
Planned review of current Hospital Liaison service and interface with Community Supports (ROSCs as described)
Tayside Drug Deaths Review Group

- Review LAER recommendations
- Meet to review cases where there has not been a LAER conducted
- Take timeous action, where required – recommendations to services
- Produce an annual report with recommendations for organisations

Future plans
- Six monthly audit of cases where a LAER has been conducted
- Increase frequency of review group reports
The role of ADPs in preventing drug deaths

- Partnership
- Shared focus and accountability
- Set the strategic direction and provide leadership