



North Lanarkshire Alcohol & Drug Partnership

Rights / Respect / Recovery

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The ADP support team would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our partners and colleagues for their ongoing support.

As an Alcohol & Drug Partnership we are keen to share with you some recent developments, opportunities and news from the substance use and recovery field. Please see a round-up of the latest news and info below. If you have anything to share in the next bulletin, please send this on to NLADP@lanarkshire.scot.nhs.uk

News

Public Health Scotland

MAT Standards Benchmarking Report

Public Health Scotland (PHS) have released a benchmarking report on the progress that Alcohol and Drug Partnerships (ADPs) in Scotland are making to meet the medication assisted treatment (MAT) standards. The report includes recommended actions to address gaps. https://publichealthscotland.scot/media/20310/030823_national-benchmarking-report-on-implementation-of-the-medication-assisted-treatment-mat-standards-scotland-2022-23.pdf

National Drug and Alcohol Treatment Waiting Times

Public Health Scotland (PHS) have reported on waiting times for people accessing specialist drug and alcohol treatment services between 1 January and 31 March 2024. In 2011, the Scottish Government set a standard that 90% of people referred for help with problematic drug or alcohol use will wait no longer than three weeks for specialist treatment that supports their recovery. The full Report can be viewed on the below link:

<https://publichealthscotland.scot/media/27606/report-q4-2023-24-drug-alcohol-waiting-times.pdf>

RADAR

RADAR (Rapid Action Drug Alerts and Response) and the Simon Community Scotland worked together to create 'How to save a life' resource on how to respond to a drug overdose, and how to reduce the harm from drugs. You can access your own copy here <https://t.co/l4pqy0kuBD>



Overdose signs can vary but might include:



being unresponsive
(will not wake when shaken)



blue or pale lips
and skin



snoring or noisy
breathing



seizures or fits

In an emergency, call 999 and ask for an ambulance.



The latest Rapid Action Drug Alerts and Response (RADAR) report, which presents changes on drug trends, harms and use of services in Scotland has been published: [Rapid Action Drug Alerts and Response \(RADAR\) quarterly report - July 2024 - Rapid Action Drug Alerts and Response \(RADAR\) quarterly report - Publications - Public Health Scotland](#)

Briefing Paper – Evaluation of the National Mission on Drugs

Public Health Scotland (PHS) have published a briefing paper which presents the findings from the 2023 mapping, appraisal and synthesis of third-party evaluations of individual National Mission programmes (i.e. evaluations initiated and funded by organisations other than Public Health Scotland). [Evaluation of the National Mission on Drug Deaths-Briefing paper on third-party evaluations of National Mission programmes - Evaluation of the National Mission on Drug Deaths-Briefing paper on third-party evaluations of National Mission programmes - Publications - Public Health Scotland](#)

Lived and Living Experience Survey

NLADP are looking for engagement, we are seeking people with lived and living experience of substance use in North Lanarkshire to be involved in focussed discussions. This will help us shape what we need to work on going forward. We want to know what is important to the people in our communities and would really appreciate individuals, staff and/or families using services views to be part of discussions going forward. For more information and MS Form Survey link, visit the NLADP website <https://northlanadp.org/lived-and-living-experience-survey/>

North Lanarkshire Crisis Outreach Service – Launch New Clinical Room

Turning Point Scotland has officially opened a new clinical facility at the charity's recently launched North Lanarkshire Crisis Outreach Service in Airdrie. The clinical room is a significant investment, built to the same specifications used in a GP surgery and will be staffed by a senior nurse, to provide assertive outreach healthcare for individuals with problematic drug and alcohol use. <https://www.turningpointscotland.com/news/north-lanarkshire-crisis-outreach-service-launch-new-clinical-room/>

Best Start Foods

Best Start Foods may be available for a child even if certain benefits aren't available due to the parents immigration status, more information can be found on the following link: <https://www.mygov.scot/best-start-grant-best-start-foods/public-funds-access>

Events, Learning and Development

The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (Incorporation) (Scotland) Act 2024.

NHS Education for Scotland (NES) have launched a new learning page for children's rights to support NHS staff around The United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (Incorporation) (Scotland) Act 2024.

The page hosts a new TURAS e-module entitled 'Introduction to Children's Rights'. The introductory course on children's rights provides information on the background to children's rights, children's rights law and the importance of children's rights in the development of policy.

Please note that you must be signed into TURAS before being able to view the link to the e-module on the page. <https://learn.nes.nhs.scot/75250/childrens-rights-uncrc>

LGBTQI+ People's Experiences of the Harm Caused by Alcohol

The LGBTQI+ community experiences higher levels of alcohol harm than their heterosexual and cisgender peers. Alcohol Focus Scotland held a webinar with an expert panel to discuss the various reasons behind the stark health inequalities faced by the LGBTQI+ community. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WHZpUYuXvYg&t=315s>

Scottish Drug Forum's Annual Stop the Deaths Conference

To mark International Overdose Awareness Day, Scottish Drugs Forum's Stop The Deaths Conference will gather key stakeholders to discuss Scotland's response to the public health emergency of drug-related deaths and how change is being, or could be, made.

Thursday 29th August @ 10am – 4pm

Radisson Blu Hotel, Glasgow <https://t.co/SFBstCCZNo>



Active NL

Street Football is a free programme aimed for children 9 to 16 years of age. New sessions commence **Tuesday 23rd July – Thursday 26th September** at the following locations:

Tuesday - Watson Street, Motherwell, ML1 1YR

Wednesday - Dunbeth Park, Alexander Street, Dunbeth, Coatbridge, ML5 3JH

Thursday - Fisher Avenue, Kilsyth, G65 0LT

Off the pitch we have our partners from Community Learning and Development, who facilitate fun workshops and activities to engage with the participants.

For more information, click on the following link <https://t.co/8D1f87vnnvG> or email sportdev@northlan.gov.uk

Scotland Reducing Gambling Harm

Join the ALLIANCE Scotland Reducing Gambling Harm and Lived Experience Forum to reshape narratives around gambling harm in Scotland. The event will be used to challenge the dominant narratives and shape counter-messages on gambling and gambling-related harm.

Wednesday 4th September @ 9.30am – 3pm Scottish Storytelling Centre, 43 – 45 High Street, Edinburgh, EH1 1SR For more information, click the following link:

<https://www.alliance-scotland.org.uk/blog/events/changing-the-narrative-around-gambling-harm-part-one-what-we-say/>

Sign up here: <https://events.bookitbee.com/alliance/changing-the-narrative-around-gambling-harm-part-o/> or email: gamblingharm@alliance-scotland.org.uk



RECOVERY WALK SCOTLAND
7th September 2024

Can your group, fellowship or organisation help make this year's Recovery Village the best one yet?

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If you would like to apply for a free stall at this year's Recovery Walk Scotland in Glasgow Green, please contact:

heather@scottishrecoveryconsortium.org

(deadline 02.08.24)

RECOVERY VILLAGE
Applications now OPEN!

SRC SCOTTISH RECOVERY CONSORTIUM

Recovery Walk Scotland – Saturday 7th of September 2024

Recovery Walk Scotland is the largest recovery event in Scotland and has been held in different locations across Scotland since 2013. The event is comprised of three parts: Roses in the River Memorial, Recovery Walk Scotland procession through the town and a Recovery Festival in Glasgow Green. For more information, click the below link.

11 am: Roses in the Clyde Ceremony
12pm: Walk begins and ends from Glasgow Green.

1pm: Recovery Festival Opens with speeches and live music

3.50pm: Closing Speech & Serenity Prayer

[https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/recovery-walk-](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/recovery-walk-scotland-glasgow-2024-tickets-901317875027#:~:text=Recovery%20Walk%20Scotland%20Glasgow%202024,at%2011%3A00%20AM%20%7C%20Eventbrite)

[scotland-glasgow-2024-tickets-](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/recovery-walk-scotland-glasgow-2024-tickets-901317875027#:~:text=Recovery%20Walk%20Scotland%20Glasgow%202024,at%2011%3A00%20AM%20%7C%20Eventbrite)

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Funding

Launch of Way Forward for Families Partnership (WFFP)

Way Forward for Families Partnership (WFFP) will reopen in Autumn 2024. WFFP aims to support children and families affected by drugs and alcohol by funding third sector organisations that provide a rights-based, whole family approach. The fund is open to third sector organisations to maximise investment and support strategic partnerships. The fund relies on 65% matched funding from local public sector agencies.

ADP and Children's Partnerships colleagues are invited to join WFFP Teams briefing (1 hour). The Corra Team will update on the focus and criteria of the fund.

The Event is being run twice with the same information being shared on two different days:

Wednesday 28th August @ 2pm

Register via this link <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/951310484267?aff=oddtcreator>

Tuesday 3rd September @ 11am

Register via this link <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/951314827257?aff=oddtcreator>

If you would like to join, please register via the Eventbrite links. If you would like to hear more about WFFP but cannot make the events, please email john@corra.scot to arrange an individual chat. If you have any technical challenges with registration, please contact fionamc@corra.scot. For more information on the WFFP fund, please click [here](#).

Addiction Services, North Lanarkshire

- Airdrie Addiction Recovery Team – 01236 856126
- Bellshill Addiction Recovery Team – 01698 403535
- Coatbridge Addiction Recovery Team – 01698 753656
- Cumbernauld Addition Recovery Team – 01236 638842
- Motherwell Addiction Recovery Team – 01698 755355
- Wishaw Addiction Recovery Team - 01698 274070
- Community Prescribing Service – 01698 753839
- Harm Reduction Team – 01698 753657
- Addiction Psychology North – 01698 753830
- Addiction Psychiatry North – 01698 753820
- Addiction Psychiatry North - 01698 755358 (Dr Qureshi)
- North Lanarkshire ADP Support Team – 01698 753651