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Scottish Drugs
Forum

Scottish Needle Exchange Workers Forum

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“Following consultation with service providers, the National Needle Exchange Survey suggested that it is ‘essential to give on-going training and support to pharmacists and support staff involved in delivering an IEP service.’”

P9, Guidelines for Services Providing Injecting Equipment

Purpose of the Forum:

The Forum gives frontline staff the opportunity to:

- Share their experience, discuss challenges and highlight examples of good practice in their area
- Discuss local trends and gain a national perspective
- Influence policy and practice development from the frontline up
- Keep up-to-date with the latest in Needle Exchange and Harm Reduction in general
- Network with, and received support from their peers
- Highlight training needs.

The Forum will meet 3 times a year, minutes will be sent out following each forum and a yearly report will be compiled.

Venue for Meetings:

Scottish Drugs Forum, 91 Mitchell Street, Glasgow G1 3LN.

Who should attend:

Individuals from all over Scotland who work on the frontline of Needle Exchange provision.

Typical Forum themes could include:

- Injecting of New Psychoactive Substances
- Performance and Image Enhancing Drugs
- Bloodborne Virus
- Brief Interventions
- Bacterial Infection
- Complications of injecting drug use
- Needle exchange and young people
- Foil provision
- Harm reduction materials
- Needle exchange in custody
- Safer injecting practices
- Drug consumption rooms
- Needle exchange vending machines
- Engagement with those who don't engage
- Naloxone
- Older Drug Users

The Forum is facilitated by SDF however, content and areas of discussion is member led.

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