Substance Use and Misuse: A Resource List



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A range of resources that are available to help Leaders, Commissioners, Trainers and parents to find out more about legal and illegal drugs.

Information given is correct as of the date of issue of this leaflet. Most organisations update publications from time to time and you are advised to contact them for latest details. Since prices change, no cost information has been given although free publications are indicated.

Always read through publications or view videos before using them with young people. This will enable you to see that they are suitable for your target audience and prepare you for any potential questions.

BOOKLETS AND LEAFLETS

STREET DRUGS

Andrew Tyler Published by Coronet Books ISBN 0 340 60975 3

This is a first class paperback book. It is written in an easy style and is not judgmental, giving details of most drugs including alcohol and tobacco. Available: Bookshops.

WHERE TO GET HELP

Your first port of call should be your local HEALTH PROMOTION CENTRE. You will find them in the telephone book or ask your local NHS Trust for the number. Centres stock booklets and leaflets and many of them are free. Several also have loan copies of audio-visual items, charts and drug cases.

Then talk to your local drug agency, they too have leaflets many of which they publish themselves. They will often be able to provide a speaker to come and talk to your organisation.

NATIONAL HELPLINES

NATIONAL DRUGS HELPLINE 0800 77 66 00

STOP SMOKING HELPLINE 0800 00 22 00

NATIONAL AIDS HELPINE 0800 567 123

ORGANISATIONS

ALCOHOL ANONYMOUS Stonebow House

Stonebow York YO1 7NJ Tel: 01904 644026 Helpline: 0845 769 7555

www.alcoholics-anonymous.org.uk

Concerned with problem drinkers

Provide drink related fact sheets. Have a publication catalogue.

ALCOHOL CONCERN

Waterbridge House 32-36 Loman Street London SE1 OEE 020 7928 7377

www.alcoholconcern.org.uk contact@alcoholconcern.org.uk

Drink related information including some excellent fact sheets.

They have a publications catalogue

AVERT

4 Brighton Road Horsham West Sussex RH13 5BA Tel: 01403 210202 www.avert.org.uk Downloadable information on AIDS, sex and sexuality for young people Publications list.

CAN

Denmark House 8 Billing Road Northampton NN1 5AW Tel: 01604 824777 administration@can.org.uk

Has drugs leaflets and videos.

One very good leaflet is 'If you see a Needle@. This is aimed at Beaver aged young people and demonstrates what to do if a syringe or needle is found.

DRUGSCOPE

Prince Consort House Suite 204 (2nd Floor) 109 – 111 Faringdon Road London EC1R 3BW Tel: 020 7520 7550 www.drugscope.org.uk info@drugscope.org.uk

A major drug and alcohol service. It providesa wide range of publications. (Publications are distributed by HIT)

FRANK

Department of Health PO Box 77 London SE1 6HX Tel: 0800 77 66 00 www.talktofrank.com frank@talktofrank.com

This is the DoH drug information service. It produces a number of books and leaflets on drug related problems. Many of them available from local Health Promotion Services.

HIT

Cavern Court 8 Mathew Street Liverpool L2 6RE Tel: 0151 227 4012 www.hit.org.uk stuff@hit.org.uk

Drug and alcohol related harm reduction. Produces first class publications, many of them aimed at young people. Also distributes Drugscope publications.

HOPE UK

25f Copperfield Street

London SE1 OEN Tel: 020 7928 0848 www.hope.uk.org

A Christian organisation devoted to reducing alcohol and drug misuse. Has a range of publications including a good leaders pack. Can often provide a speaker for Groups of young people.

LIFELINE

101-103 Oldham Street Manchester M4 1LW Tel: 0161 839 2075 www.lifeline.org.uk

A drug and alcohol agency. Produce publications, many of them aimed at young people.

PORTMAN GROUP

7-10 Chandos Street Cavendish Square London WIM 9DE Tel: 0207907 3700 www.portmangroup.org.uk

A drink industry funded organisation concerned with sensible drinking. Several publications including a drink unit calculator wheel.

RELEASE

388 Old Street London EC1V 9LT Helpline: 020 7729 9904 www.release.org.uk ask@release.org.uk

Concerned mainly with the legal aspects of drug and alcohol misuse.
Publications list

RE-SOLVE

30a High Street Stone Staffordshire ST15 8AW Tel: 0808 800 2345 www.re-solv.org information@re-solv.org

Information on solvents Publications list

RUGBY COMMUNITY DRUGS TEAM

The Orchard Centre Lower Hillmorton Road Rugby Warwickshire CV21 3SR Tel: 01788 555104
They produce a set of cartoon leaflets on different drugs titled "Gordon Goodsense".
They give a great deal of information in a format that appeals to young people.

ALCOHOL FOCUS SCOTLAND

2nd Floor 166 Buchanan Street Glasgow G1 2NH Tel: 0141 572 6700 www.alcohol-focus-scotland.org.uk enquries@alcohol-focus-scotland.org.uk

WELSH DRUG AND ALCOHOL UNIT

4th Floor, St David's House Wood Street Cardiff CF10 1ER Tel: 02920 667766

WEBSITES

Most of the website listed offer a great deal of information about specific substance use and misuse.

They also list their publications and offer the choice of ordering on line or by telephone. (Ordering by telephone enables you to ask for more information about the publication).

One website that offers advice toyoung people on many subjects including drug and alcohol is:

www.needtoknow.co.uk

Although there are many more and most local drug and alcohol agencies have their own sites.

TALK TO:

A NATIONAL HELPLINE

YOUR LOCAL DRUG AGENCY

A SCHOOL NURSE

CHILDLINE

They all offer advice and their advice is confidential.