

Scottish Public Health Alcohol Special Interest Group - Work plan 2019/20

Area of Work	Activity	Anticipated Outcomes and Outputs	Timescale	Lead
Developing and managing group	a. Developing terms of reference and work plan	Agreed activity for the year	End April 2019	All
	b. Identify 2 vice chairs		April 2019	
	c. Mapping expertise of group members	Guidance to members, responses to consultations or requests from MSPs, Faculty of Public Health and other expert groups. E.g. preventing alcohol	ongoing	
Sharing good practice and	a. Sharing practice from Territorial boards and other	deaths. Follow up with SDsPH		MW
raising the profile of the work	representatives.	Work with DPH and Scot PHN to provide appropriate informed comments on alcohol related practice.	ongoing	
	b. Influence the development of national strategy through critically assessing it against the PH evidence especially the broader PH agenda	Develop and implement PH priorities in line with the Prevention Framework and Drugs and Alcohol treatment strategy (RRR, 2018)	ongoing	All
	c. Faculty of Public Health-facilitate a Session	Contribute to the evaluability assessment workshops for the prevention framework		
	d. Contribution to Public Health Delivery Plan			



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3.	Licensing – contributing to the development of local policies.	Share the Learning from development of licensing policies that reduce alcohol related harm across Scotland.	Number of licenses, withdrawn, rejected or adjusted after input from Public Health. A review of collecting this data for all health boards	ongoing	All
4.	Develop resources for national use, 'Once for Scotland'	a. e.g. Support the development of Best practice guidance for instance Alcohol-related Liver Disease: Guidance for Good Practice	Improve the response of group members in addressing alcohol harm	ongoing	All
		b. Work with Health Scotland to publicise the CMO Drinking Guidelines	Improved public awareness of safer alcohol consumption levels and reduced alcohol harm	February until campaign ends in 2019	Jim Sherval (NHS Lothian)
		c. Work with Health Scotland to review Alcohol Screening and Brief Interventions	Improved professional confidence and competence in identifying and supporting persons who are drinking at hazardous levels	EAG first meeting likely June 2019	Frederike Garbe (NHS Lothian)
5.	Support the wider alcohol workforce	Supporting and developing the expertise of alcohol and drug partnerships to respond to PH alcohol priorities, in line with the MoU with SG	Improved practice in preventing alcohol deaths Improved response to alcohol licensing and Support of ADP knowledge exchange events	ongoing	All
6.	Engage with research community	Contribute knowledge and experience to expert group's e. g SARN and alcohol related research e.g. Rurality Matters (SHAAP) in line with PH priorities.	Expert informed PH response to a range of alcohol priorities. Evidence summary produced on the impact of overprovision	ongoing	All



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		Shared AFS briefing on overprovisions,		
		exploring any further evidence		
		synthesis is needed to help make the		
		case locally.		