

# North Inner City Drug and Alcohol Task Force: Priority Actions 2018

## National Drug Strategy Goal 1: Promote and protect health and wellbeing

NICDATF PRIORITY ACTIONS	Aligns to NDS Actions	Lead	Partners
<p><b><u>PREVENTION &amp; EDUCATION</u></b></p> <p>1. 1 Prevention and Education Forum Report launch and plan for furthering of recommendations.</p> <p>1.2 NEIC PIB has requested NICDATF with providing a Drug/Alcohol Prevention and Education Programme in NEIC area schools.</p> <p>NEIC Pilot Drugs/Alcohol and Wellbeing Schools Programme: NICDATF is submitting a proposal a pilot youth-friendly programme aimed at approximately 300 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Year students in 2 secondary schools. If This will be led by NICDATF/ P&amp;E subcommittee in conjunction with contracted project / collaborative team of projects.</p>	<p>1.2.3 Support the SPHE programme (a) Promoting effective links between schools and DATFs, continued building of strong school community links (DATF joint lead).</p> <p>1.2.4 Promote a health promotion approach to addressing substance misuse</p> <p>1.2.5 Improve supports for young people at risk of early substance misuse</p> <p>1.2.8 Improve services for young people at risk of substance misuse in socially and economically disadvantaged communities</p>	<p>NICDATF, NICDATF P&amp;E sub-group</p> <p>NICDATF, NICDATF P&amp;E sub-group</p>	<p>Schools, Youth/drug projects</p>

**National Drug Strategy Goal 2: Minimise the harms caused by the use and misuse of substances. Promote rehabilitation and recovery.**

NICDATF Actions	Aligns to NDS Actions	Lead	Partners
<p><b><u>CASE MANAGEMENT in Treatment &amp; Rehab</u></b></p> <p>2.1 Agree a NICDATF mechanism to address Tier 4 residential placements for those in local programmes</p> <p>2.2 Prepare a detailed and costed proposal towards seeking funding for the development and delivery of a local pilot Case Management Toolkit in 2019.</p>	<p>2.1.13 Expand the availability and geographical spread of relevant quality drug and alcohol services and improve the range of services available, based on identified need by (a) Identifying gaps (b) increasing number of treatment episodes across the range of services and (c) Strengthening the capacity of services to address complex needs.</p> <p>2.1.13 as above</p> <p>2.1.12 Strengthen the implementation of the National Drugs Rehabilitation Framework (a) Developing a competency framework on key working</p>	<p>NICDATF T&amp;R sub-group</p> <p>NICDATF T&amp;R sub-group</p>	<p>HSE</p>
<p><b><u>RECOVERY</u></b></p> <p>2.3 NEIC Recovery Coaching: NICDATF has submitted a proposal to NEIC PIB to fund a NEIC-specific Recovery Coaching (Peer Support) programme. If granted, this will consist of a six week course followed by placement as a peer support worker in an appropriate setting.</p>	<p>2.1.16 Improve relapse prevention and aftercare services by broadening the range of peer-led, mutual aid and family support programmes in accordance with best practice.</p> <p>2.1.18 Help individuals affected by substance misuse to build their recovery capital</p>	<p>NICDATF, Recovery Academy</p>	<p>NICDATF T&amp;R sub-group, NICDATF project promoters</p>

<p><b><u>DUAL DIAGNOSIS</u></b></p> <p>2.4 Engage with the HSE in relation to the 2018 review of “Vision for Change”.</p> <p>2.5 Gather local evidence of the impact of dual diagnosis (mental health issues &amp; addiction) on service users and on service provision through a survey of local projects.</p>	<p>2.1.24 Improve outcomes for people with co-morbid severe mental illness and substance misuse problems by (a) supporting the New Mental Health Clinical Programme to address dual diagnosis</p> <p>2.1.24 as above</p>	<p>NICDATF</p> <p>NICDATF project promoters, NICDATF T&amp;R sub-group</p>	<p>HSE</p>
<p><b><u>HEP C LOCAL RESPONSES</u></b></p> <p>2.6 Develop a clear local support structure for access to Hepatitis C treatment and post-treatment support involving a number of local projects, Hospital units and the HSE</p>	<p>2.2.28 Continue to expand Harm Reduction Initiatives focused on people who inject drugs (b) Increasing the availability of screening for BBVs and (c) increasing the uptake of Hepatitis C treatment</p> <p>2.1.3 Improve the responses to the needs of older people with long term substance use issues.</p>	<p>NICDATF project promoters, NICDATF T&amp;R sub-group</p>	<p>HSE, hospitals</p>

<p><b><u>EMERGING TRENDS</u></b></p> <p>2.7 Respond, promote and support a local crack cocaine awareness</p> <p>2.8 Initiate emerging trends survey</p>	<p>1.3.11 Strengthen early harm reduction responses to current and emerging trends and patterns of drug use</p> <p>1.3.11 as above</p>	<p>NICDATF, Ana Liffey Drugs Project</p> <p>NICDATF</p>	<p>NICDATF T&amp;R sub-group, NICDATF Project Promoters</p> <p>NICDATF T&amp;R sub-group, NICDATF Project Promoters</p>
<p><b><u>HOMELESSNESS</u></b></p> <p>3.9 Assess the impact of homelessness on service users and local drug service provision, through further analysis of 2017 NICDATF Homelessness survey and local project reports.</p> <p>3.10 Highlight the impact of homelessness on service users and on treatment, rehabilitation and recovery.</p> <p>3.11 Promote and support quality standards of staffing in homeless services.</p>	<p>2.1.25 In line with Rebuilding Ireland, improve the range of problem substance use services and rehabilitation supports for people with high support needs who are homeless</p>	<p>NICDATF</p>	<p>NICDATF T&amp;R sub-group, NICDATF Project Promoters</p>

**National Drug Strategy Goal 3: Address the harms of drug markets and reduce access to drugs for harmful use  
& Goal 4: Support participation of individuals, families and communities**

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<p><b><u>INTIMIDATION &amp; VIOLENCE</u></b></p> <p>3.1 Carry out Intimidation Survey of local services</p> <p>3.2 NEIC Intimidation Conference: NICDATF / PIB Drugs &amp; Crime sub-group organising an Intimidation Conference/Workshops in May 2018. Produce a report.</p> <p>3.3 'Dial to Stop Drug Dealing and Threats' Assessment of a new pilot programme with Garda DNC Division</p>	<p>4.1.40 Measure the impact of drug-related crime and wider public nuisance on communities</p> <p>4.1.40 as above</p> <p>4.1.41 Enhance the relationship between an Garda Síochána and local communities in relation to the impact of the drug trade</p> <p>4.1.42 Strengthen the effectiveness of the Drug-related Intimidation Reporting Programme.</p> <p>3.3.38 Strengthen the response to the illegal drug market, including the changing nature of new psychoactive substances</p> <p>4.1.41 as above</p> <p>4.1.42 as above</p>	<p>NICDATF</p> <p>NICDATF SCC sub-group, NEIC PIB Crime and Drugs sub-group</p> <p>NICDATF, Garda Síochána</p>	<p>NICDATF SCC sub-group and Project Promoters</p> <p>Garda Síochána, CPF C&amp;V sector NICDATF Project Promoters</p> <p>C&amp;V sector NICDATF Project Promoters</p>

## National Drug Strategy Goal 5: Develop sound and comprehensive evidence-informed policies and actions

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<p><b><u>BEST PRACTICE / QUALITY STANDARDS</u></b></p> <p>4.1 Ensuring best practice and quality standards are followed in local projects through assessment of training levels and support of best practice training (Children First, SAOR) and policies (GDPR, Garda Vetting)</p>	<p>5.1.46 Support evidence informed practice and service provision.</p>	<p>NICDATF</p>	<p>HSE, DOH NICDATF Project Promoters &amp; sub-group</p>