

Bristol Health Partners

Addiction Health Integration Team- ADDHIT

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Aim

support the development and commissioning of evidence-based services to improve the health of people dependent on drug and alcohol and reduce drug and alcohol related harm



Research Opportunities

- Evaluating the impact of opiate substitution treatment on drug related deaths in the population (NIHR HS&DR)
- How to improve HCV case finding in primary care and specialist drug clinics (NIHR PHP)
- Investigate the cost-effectiveness of Needle Exchange interventions (NIHR PHP)
- Pilot Trial of alcohol screening and brief intervention (ASBI) in custody suites (NIHR SPHR)
- Evaluation of ASBI training and delivery for young people services in NHS, Schools, CJS (NIHR SPHR)
- Scope Health Impact Assessment of Licensing Policy (NIHR SPHR)

Future plans

- Low vs high dead space syringes: an investigation of user preferences and attitudes (CLAHRC West & NIHR HPRU)
- Systematic review could addressing malnutrition in alcohol dependent people prevent cognitive deficit and alcohol related brain damage (CLAHRC West)
- Evaluation on efficacy of straight beer glasses to reduce alcohol consumption in the general population.
- Increase patient & public involvement







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- Investigate care pathway/ costs and effectiveness of managing "high impact users" including problems with offending, housing, employment and benefits
- Evaluate the delivery of recovery support to reduce risk of relapse
- Assess interventions to identify and reduce "hidden harm" (children of substance users)
- Assess impact and cost-effectiveness of alternative models of alcohol detoxification.
- Conduct Health Impact Assessment of new psycho-active substances