



Alcohol and Drug Commissioning Framework for Northern Ireland 2013-16

Consultation Questionnaire.

This questionnaire has been designed to help stakeholders respond to the above framework.

Written responses are welcome either using this questionnaire template or in an alternative format which best suits your comments.

Please respond to the consultation document by post or e-mail to

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YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE RECEIVED BY 11th April

(Please tick the relevant tick boxes)

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CONSULTATION QUESTIONS

1. Do you agree with the approach being proposed by the PHA/HSCB in the development of a Drug and Alcohol Commissioning Framework for Northern Ireland as outlined in section 3 of this document?

Yes/No

We are largely supportive of the proposed approach but acknowledge there are apparent gaps and weakness which shall impede its effectiveness to the strategic direction ahead.

Comments:_____Most of the evidence based programmes collated to create an understanding of what works well have been collected from programmes outside of Northern Ireland. This could negatively impact on the effect and outcomes of such programmes delivered within a local context due to the transferability and culture adaptation of programmes.

Naming specific programmes which have been subjected to rigours research studies is a strength in acknowledging the need for a robust evidence based practise however the framework fails to account for evidenced based approaches which have been successfully delivered on a local level. Setting evidence based programmes as a principal condition limits variety and innovation. _____

SECTION ONE: CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND FAMILIES

Drugs and Alcohol

7.1 Education and Prevention

2. Do you agree with the commissioning priorities as laid out in this section?

Yes/No.

We have a number of concerns regarding the priorities as laid out in this section

Comments: _____

___ We agree with the introduction of an integrated system rather than a series of disjointed programmes but would have concerns about how this may be achieved as the NCF have failed to specify this. Will the proposal allow the time to develop the required systems, mechanisms and framework to allow this to happen?

Whilst clear outcomes and evidence are essential, the proposal does not allow for the balance between evidence based practice and practice based evidence, nor does it account for services which have been operating over the past several years which have developed capacity and an infrastructure within the area of alcohol and drugs.

Is the level of investment required for evidence based programmes going to match expectations as laid out in the proposal?

Most evidence based programmes have been imported from elsewhere and lack a local context. Research and evidence has shown that programmes do not always naturally and successfully transfer into different cultural environments. _

Strengthening Families is not delivered locally as a universal programme, within the sector it is a targeted programme. This difference could create challenges as to who holds responsibility for _the_ governing of such programmes in order to ensure fidelity and validity of the programme.

The Department of Health and the Department of Education still work separately with very different agendas and goals. While joint working / commissioning is logical and would clearly be beneficial , change, particularly at this level is a slow process. This would have implications for the success of an effective delivery of alcohol and drugs policies and social norms approaches in schools through joint working /

commissioning as laid out in the the framework.

3. Do you agree with the Service Aims and Role and Functions outlined in this section?

| Yes/~~No~~

Comments:

4. Do you agree with the outcomes listed in this section

| Yes/~~No~~

Comments:

7.9 Early Intervention and Treatment

Early intervention

5. Do you agree with the commissioning priorities as laid out in this section?

Yes/No

Comments:

6. Do you agree with the Service Aims and Role and Functions outlined in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

7. Do you agree with the outcomes listed in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

Young people's treatment services including CAMHS

8. Do you agree with the commissioning priorities as laid out in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

9. Do you agree with the Service Aims and Role and Functions outlined in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

10. Do you agree with the outcomes listed in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

7.21 Hidden Harm

Early Intervention

11. Do you agree with the commissioning priorities as laid out in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

12. Do you agree with the Service Aims and Role and Functions outlined in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

13. Do you agree with the outcomes listed in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

Treatment and Support

14. Do you agree with the commissioning priorities as laid out in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

15. Do you agree with the Service Aims and Role and Functions outlined in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

16. Do you agree with the outcomes listed in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

SECTION TWO: ADULTS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC

8.1 Education and Prevention

17. Do you agree with the commissioning priorities as laid out in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

18. Do you agree with the Service Aims and Role and Functions outlined in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

19. Do you agree with the outcomes listed in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

8.4 Early Intervention Services

20. Do you agree with the commissioning priorities as laid out in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

21. Do you agree with the Service Aims and Role and Functions outlined in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

22. Do you agree with the outcomes listed in this section

Yes/No

Comments: _____

8.11 Substance Misuse Liaison Services

23. Do you agree with the commissioning priorities as laid out in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

24. Do you agree with the Service Aims and Role and Functions outlined in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

25. Do you agree with the outcomes listed in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

8.20 Low Threshold Services

26. Do you agree with the commissioning priorities as laid out in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

27. Do you agree with the Service Aims and Role and Functions outlined in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

28. Do you agree with the outcomes listed in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

8.28 Community Based Treatment and Support

29. Do you agree with the commissioning priorities as laid out in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

30. Do you agree with the Service Aims and Role and Functions outlined in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

31. Do you agree with the outcomes listed in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

8.41 Inpatient and Residential Rehabilitation Provision

32. Do you agree with the commissioning priorities as laid out in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

33. Do you agree with the Service Aims and Role and Functions outlined in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

34. Do you agree with the outcomes listed in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

SECTION THREE: CAPACITY

9.1 Service User and Family Involvement

36. Do you agree with the commissioning priorities as laid out in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

37. Do you agree with the Service Aims and Role and Functions outlined in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

38. Do you agree with the outcomes listed in this section

Yes/No

Comments: _____

9.7 Workforce Development

The workforce development commissioning priorities are designed to ensure that those working in the field of alcohol and drugs as commissioned by PHS/HSCB are competent and confident to deliver all aspects of this work commensurate with their role and function.

39. Do you agree with the commissioning priorities as laid out in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

40. Do you agree with the Service Aims and Role and Functions outlined in this section?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

41. Do you agree with the outcomes listed in this section

Yes/No

Comments: _____

42. Do you agree with the findings of the Equality, Good Relations and Human Rights Template that accompanied this document

Yes/No

Comments: _____

43. Are there any priorities for commissioning that are not reflected in this framework?

Yes/No

Comments: _____

FURTHER COMMENTS

44. Please use the space below to inform us of any additional comments you wish to make in relation to the Drug and Alcohol commissioning framework.

