

Moray Drugs, Alcohol & BBV Forum
21st August, 2007

Point		Action
Welcome	Tricia welcomed everyone	
Presentation	<p>Tricia Joyce Moray Drug and Alcohol Tricia spoke about the GP Project. Research showed that many people said they approached their GP first when having alcohol and drug problems. The project aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhance the delivery of Moray Wide addiction services • Promote services to NHS • One to one counselling • Offer training to all primary care and frontline staff • Develop community strategy <p>10 out of the 16 GP practices have offered accommodation for the counselling service. The service started out with severe cases, but is now also working with less severe cases to help prevent the problems becoming worse. Anecdotal evidence is encouraging that this service could help to reduce some of the work load of Doctors.</p> <p>There are several documents available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Twice yearly Newsletter • What Do We Do? Leaflet • Professionals Evaluation of Service January 2007 Report 	
1	<p>Attended: Tricia Joyce, Jane Cotton, Esther Jack, Carol Thornton , Philip Poole, Russell Stuart, Stephen Hounsom, Vanessa Case, Fiona McKenzie, Janice Bruce, Heather Cormack, Jan Harrison (Minutes)</p> <p>Apologies: Jenny McLean, Blair Dempsie, Jim Masson, Guidance Teachers</p>	
2	<p>Minutes of last meeting Minutes approved: Blair Dempsie, Vanessa Case</p>	
3	Matters Arising From Minutes	
	<p>Substance Abuse Publicity Jenny is still investigating this and is waiting on feedback from Aberdeen.</p> <p>Forum Page on Website www.mdaat.org.uk went live on 8th June. Log on and register for inclusion of your own page on site. Each organisation would need their own administrator to update information for the page. Angie asked that the info also be copied to her the first time so she knows who is on the website. MDAAT can also organise a live weblink, if the organisation identifies which part of the site to be linked to that reflects their target audience. Tricia suggested having a link called ‘See our Members’ to simplify the process.</p>	(c/fwd) Jenny

	<p>The site is now coming up on a Google search. This is due to it being on a platform and also because of the number of 'hits' to the site.</p> <p>There will be a formal launch of the website in Council Chambers on 28th August</p> <p>Jim to find out if we can link to yourmoray.gov.uk.</p> <p>Jane is now the Liaison person for the information from the Forum for the website. She can be contacted at inso@youthstart.org.</p>	(c/fwd) Jim
4	Directory of Services	
	<p>The booklet has been printed and Tricia asked for the names of organisations that the booklet needed to be distributed to.</p> <p>Libraries It was decided that the Libraries would be approached individually –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elgin Library – Stephen • Cullen and Buckie – Tricia • Lossiemouth – Jan • Keith – Jane • Forres - Jenny <p>Schools It was decided that Russell and Stephen would liaise with the schools to distribute the books.</p> <p>50 booklets were sent to Dr Gray's Hospital. Tricia to phone Dr Gray's and find out how they will be used.</p> <p>AA National Helpline number was not included in booklet. Jan offered to print labels and put into booklets.</p> <p>It was decided that the Forum would review the distribution list again in 6 months.</p>	<p>Stephen Tricia Jan Jane Jenny</p> <p>Russell/Stephen</p> <p>Tricia</p> <p>Jan</p>
5.	Forum Action Plan	
	<p>Young Person's Conference A prospective date of February 14th has been set for the YP Conference. This date will be put to the Guidance Teachers for confirmation of suitability.</p> <p>Tricia to speak to Guidance Teachers about date.</p> <p>The activities and timeline for the event fit in with CAP guidelines.</p> <p>It was suggested that YP in schools be asked to input what they want to get from the conference and that a feedback sheet be developed to go back to the schools for the participants to complete at the end of the event.</p> <p>Focus for next year – Agenda Items Tricia to make an agenda item.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work is to be divided up amongst the members. • Discuss Ethnic Minorities • Young People's Awareness Raising Day (Tania to find out what Careers Scotland is doing in November) 	<p>Tricia</p> <p>(c/fwd) Tricia</p> <p>Tania</p>

6.	Forum Meeting Dates	
	<p>Tricia asked if Tuesday was still a good day for the Forum Meeting. It was chosen originally because it was the best day for the School Guidance Teachers.</p> <p>Tricia will email all members to see if Tuesday is still the best day for them.</p> <p>A provisional meeting either on 26th or 27th September was set as a planning meeting for the YP Conference. This was subject to the Guidance Teachers being able to attend.</p> <p>Tricia will notify everyone of the actual date.</p> <p>Next Forum Meeting Tricia to put on the Agenda Voting for the next Chairperson.</p>	<p>Tricia</p> <p>Tricia</p> <p>Tricia</p>
7.	Out in the Open	
	<p>Janice Bruce and Heather Cormack from Out in the Open gave a short talk about the much needed Family Support group they have started. They meet weekly at the Burnie Centre in Buckie to provide support and advice for family members who are affected by another's substance misuse.</p> <p>They have asked for financial assistance from the Forum to establish the group, to the amount of £1400 or part thereof to meet the cost of equipment, administration costs, publicity costs etc.</p> <p>The group agreed to provisionally offer £700, but as Blair was not present, it was decided that this would only be confirmed after he had been consulted as to the viability of offering this money.</p> <p>Tricia will talk with Blair and notify Janice and Heather of decision.</p> <p>Jan offered new mobile phone. Heather and Janice to let Jan know if this is needed, as phone service provider may not prove economical.</p> <p>It is possible that Out in the Open may get part funding through Community Safety Partnership.</p>	<p>Tricia</p> <p>Jan</p>
	<p>Next Meetings –</p> <p>Possible planning meeting – 26th or 27th September 2nd October 12pm – 2 pm Elgin Community Centre 13th November 12 – 2 pm Elgin Community Centre</p>	