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DAAS alcohol wise

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DAAS supports 2015 Recovery Event!

DAAS joined other local alcohol and drug support services in Derbyshire to play a key role in this year's recovery walk. The walk, which took place on the 18th September started at Chesterfield Pro Act stadium ably led by the Chesterfield Football Club mascot, Chester the field Mouse, with more than 100 walkers in recovery finally arriving at the Assembly rooms in Chesterfield. Alison Scott - DAAS deputy manager played a key role with other recovery services, in organising the event, keenly taking part in the walk itself. The event supported by Chesterfield Football club, Derbyshire County Council Substance Misuse Commissioning Team, DHCFT, Addaction, Hope Springs Recovery, Rhubarb Farm, RIOT, Turning Point, Phoenix Futures and SPODA welcomed over 100 walkers who are all in recovery from alcohol or Drug Use. There were key note speakers including Professor David Best at the event, providing a fascinating insight into Recovery and some moving life stories told were told by some very brave recovery champions to a packed hall. This event demonstrated the strength of substance misuse partnership working in Derbyshire and the positive impact this has on those in our community who are working through their recovery journey. Feedback from the day has been extremely positive from professionals, clients and family members. A new film called "Dear Albert" was launched which movingly depicts the struggles of those in recovery and the dedicated work of "Albert" aka John who in recovery himself, worked closely with clients, assertively engaging them in the treatment and recovery process. We look forward to taking part in much needed future events and to continuing to support the recovery community in Derbyshire.

A local service for local people!!

We work in; Glossop, High Peak, Erewash, Bolsover, Shirebrook, Chesterfield, North East Derbyshire, Derbyshire Dales, Amber Valley and South Derbyshire.

We are taking bookings now for our Alcohol Brief Intervention Training events. To find out more or to book a place go to: www.daas.uk.com

PROMOTING POSITIVE CHANGE !...WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP TO REDUCE ALCOHOL RELATED HARM THROUGHOUT

Visit us at www.daas.uk.com
Use our easy to operate on line alcohol unit calculator!

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STAND TO nominated for Most Innovative Project in the 2015 Chesterfield and North Derbyshire Voluntary Sector Awards

STAND TO our new veterans alcohol support project is developing well and following a successful launch at county Hall in Matlock on 30th July we are now looking for additional funding to further develop the project. In the meantime the client case load is growing with over 30 referrals in the first three months. STAND TO has been shortlisted for the Most Innovative New Project in the Voluntary Sector awards 2015. We wish Colin Leonard - the project lead all the best for this prestigious award. The event will be held at the Pomegranate Theatre on Wednesday Oct 14th at 6.30pm.



Support for families affected by Alcohol Misuse!

New partnership project taking referrals now!



relate
the relationship people



We are pleased to announce that families affected by alcohol misuse can now access **FREE** Family and young peoples support in some areas of Derbyshire, through accessing a new project run jointly by Relate and Derbyshire Alcohol Service. The partnership project will enable those families who are struggling with a range of relationship issues relating to alcohol misuse to explore safely and confidentially the problems which are present within the family and work together to improve communication, increase awareness and gain specific information about alcohol dependency. The definition of "Family" is very wide says Bev Miller from Relate, "If people wish to explore any issues connected to their family where alcohol is involved, we can offer support through this project, This includes single parents, and same sex and LGBT families"

The project can be accessed directly by referring agents or people who wish to access the service for themselves by phoning either Relate—Derby or Derbyshire Alcohol Advice Service. Which ever service receives the referral will provide information and ensure that the family affected gain access into support which as far as possible is local to them. This project will also enable young people affected by alcohol misuse to gain access to Safe Speak, (a specialist young persons counselling service) or to receive help on line from a counsellor. "Not all areas in Derbyshire can offer the full Service" explains Bev, "but we hope that by contacting either ourselves or DAAS, we can try where possible to accommodate the needs of the family and offer some support, Currently the service can be provided in Derby, South Derbyshire, Amber Valley and Chesterfield. However we are hoping to be able to expand the service to cover the whole of Derbyshire." Phone DAAS: **01246 206514** or Relate **01332 331259** for more information or to make a referral.

Inquiry into the impact on Emergency Services of Alcohol Misuse

(Author : Alcohol Concern)

The All Party Parliamentary Group on Alcohol Harm has launched an Inquiry into 'The impact of alcohol on the Emergency Services'. The Inquiry will examine the way in which alcohol-related incidents and injuries place a strain on emergency services in the UK and how this impacts our front line workers and their ability to carry out their jobs. Alcohol-related harm costs the NHS £3 billion per year and places a huge amount of pressure on our emergency services, particularly at the weekends. The APPG Chair, Fiona Bruce MP and officers welcome the opportunity to hear from emergency workers, professionals and stakeholders to learn about key front-line issues and how they relate to alcohol. Fiona Bruce, Chair of Alcohol Harm APPG, said: "The costs of alcohol harm to the UK are huge, not only in terms on lives lost but also through the significant impact on society. The strain that is placed on our emergency services is enormous and I encourage the public, emergency workers and interested bodies to submit evidence. A central objective of the inquiry will be to build a clear picture of the time and resources that alcohol related harm incurs across the Emergency Services. The Inquiry will also be holding oral evidence sessions in Parliament in October, where we have invited representatives from the Emergency Services to speak."

"This is good news for Alcohol Service Provision and for patients" says Elaine Handley - Service Manager of DAAS. "There is a need for increased staffing in front line departments at times where alcohol related admissions are most prevalent. Failure of a professional to make an informed opportunistic alcohol intervention with those who are brought into A & E departments, can literally make the difference between life and death and in the longer term increase the impact on already pressured emergency department front line staff. We work closely with hospital liaison teams to ensure that as soon as an intervention has been made we can respond by offering the patient an immediate referral into alcohol recovery focussed treatment."

DAAS also provides training for professionals in *Identification for Brief Advice* and *Working with Change Resistant drinkers*. This training is very well received with some positive feedback from workers who have attended;

"Highly relevant training to my role" "interactive and thought provoking" "I would recommend this to any front line workers" "I feel much more confident now to raise the issue of alcohol"

To find out more or to book onto a training course please visit our website or contact the DAAS training on 01246 206514.

DAAS Social Media Development



We have now launched our new social media pages on Facebook and Twitter
 We regularly update the pages with news, photos and events.
 To follow us you can find us at the following pages;



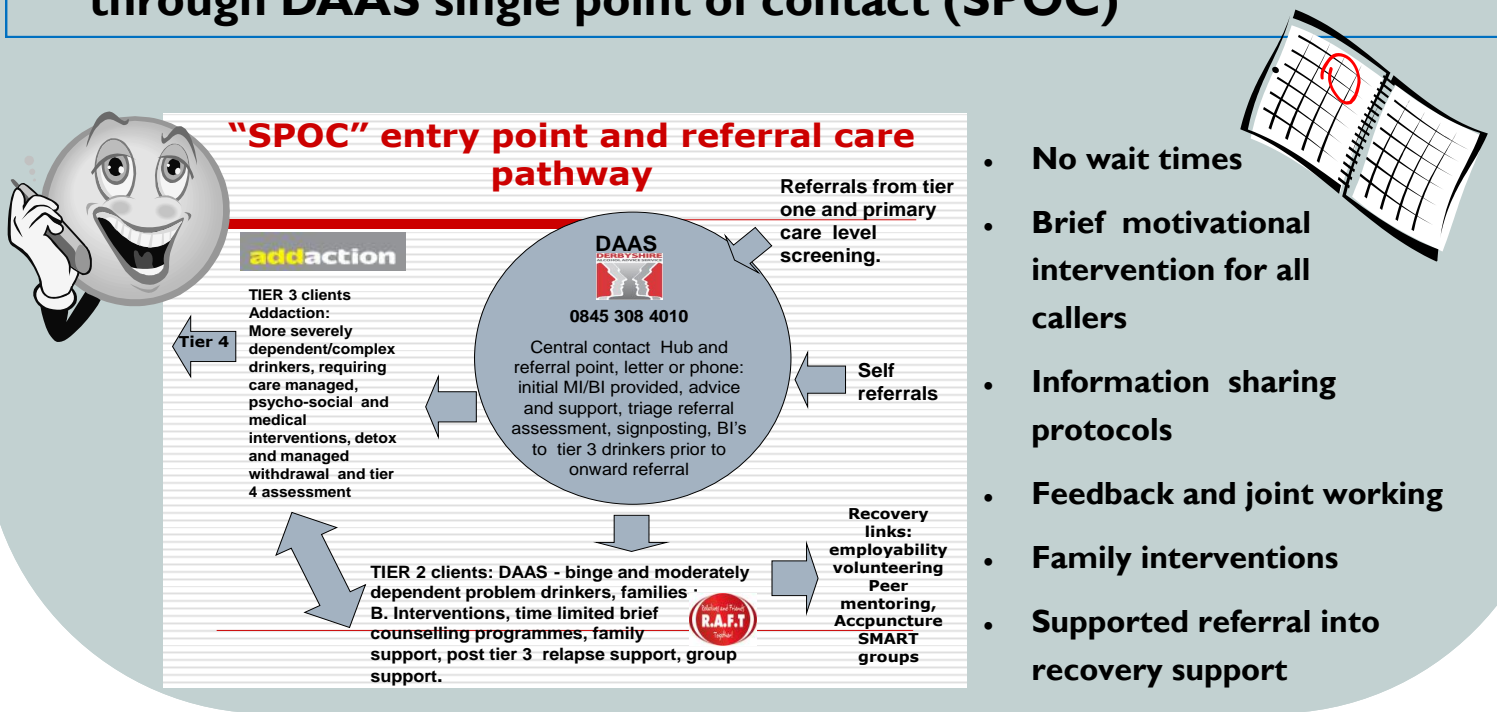
Stand TO Service;



New! TRAINING FOR PHARMACISTS AND DENTISTS

As a dentist or Pharmacist you are in a front line role to make an effective early alcohol interventions with patients. Don't miss a vital opportunity to make a difference! Contact Holly –training team co-ordinator : Holly@daas.uk.com

Diagram to illustrate Derbyshire alcohol referral pathway through DAAS single point of contact (SPOC)



Get SMART© now!

Group Support Available!



MONDAY	Alcohol Support Group 1pm – 2.30pm The Croft, Ripley			
TUESDAY	Alcohol Support Group 2.30pm – 4pm Charles Street Project, Glossop	Acupuncture 4.30pm – 5.30pm DAAS, Chesterfield	Alcohol Support Group 6pm – 7pm DAAS, Chesterfield	
WEDNESDAY	Family Drop In Support 2pm – 3pm Gamesley Library, next to Gamesley Primary School			
THURSDAY	Family Drop In Support 12pm – 2pm Christian Centre, Main Street, Shirebrook	Drop In Support 1pm – 2.30pm 1 st & 3 rd Thurs of every month Cornerstone Coffee Shop, Church Street, Ashbourne	Hypnotherapy Group Weekly every Thursday 10am – 11am 1 st Thurs of every month 5.30pm – 6.30pm DAAS, Chesterfield	Relatives & Friends Support Group (RAFT) 6.30pm – 8pm 1 st Thurs of every month DAAS, Chesterfield
FRIDAY	Alcohol Support Group 2pm – 3.30pm CMHT Corbar View, Buxton		Acupuncture 3pm – 4pm Bankgate, Rinkway Industrial Estates, Swadlincote	

Hypnotherapy:
Learn guided deep relaxation techniques in a safe and supportive environment.

Please phone **01246 206514** for an assessment.

Places available in at Dents Chambers Thursdays 10-11 am. Or 1st Thursday in the month 5.30—6.30pm.

**Working and Struggling to motivate someone with an alcohol problem ?
Wondering how to raise the issue? Join with others and share your experiences...**

**FREE Alcohol Brief Intervention Training : dates: 13th Oct (fully booked)
3rd November, 8th December**

**Working with Families affected by alcohol misuse: dates: 6th and 7th October,
1st and 2nd December . *NEW Training!* Working with change resistant drinkers ;
dates: 4th November, 19th January**

All courses above at Dents Chambers in Chesterfield: S40 1AH

Please contact DAAS for further information

we can tailor our DANOS linked training to meet your needs - contact us!

WE ARE CONTINUALLY TRYING TO IMPROVE THE SERVICES WE PROVIDE FOR THE PEOPLE OF DERBYSHIRE . YOUR FEEDBACK IS CRUCIAL!

PLEASE CONTACT THE SERVICE IF YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS TO MAKE

If you have contacted our service for advice or support, or made a referral, please let us know if we did well or how you think we might improve things.

Email Elaine.Handley@daas.uk.com or write to Elaine Handley, Service Manager, First Floor, Dents Chambers, 81 New Square, Chesterfield S40 1AH

Let us know if you want to take part in a DAAS Service User Focus Group.

**HOPE SPRINGS RECOVERY
Chesterfield 01246 540431**

Offers a range of relapse prevention, recovery support, activities and group support! Look out for further information
Contact Denise
(new centre Manager)