



Freedom of Information Response - 30/19

Your Request:

Please provide me with details of programmes developed by the Department and targeted at people with heroin addiction issues.

PHA Response:

Please find attached document (appendix 1) giving details of regionally commissioned services available in all trust areas across Northern Ireland.

Details of PHA Localities specific commissioned /funded substance misuse services which are commissioned in the Belfast Area are noted below.

Drug Outreach Team (Belfast HSCT)

This service operates within the Belfast HSCT area. The main objective of the service is to offer harm reduction information, advice and support to injecting drug users. The service also offers advice and information to statutory and voluntary/community sector service providers who would regularly interface with this group.

Drug Accommodation Support Project - DASP (Belfast)

This service consists of one experienced staff member, who works closely with Salvation Army and Extern's city centre hostels to provide intensive support to IV drug users who are housed within their hostels. Currently, there are two dedicated beds in Salvation Army and 8-10 beds in the Extern Centre accommodating DASP clients.

Street Injectors Support Service - SISS (Belfast)

The SISS Project responds to issues around injecting drug use and inappropriate disposal within the City Centre. It has one full-time worker supported by 7 trained social work staff on a relief/bank basis. It goes out on the street during the day including weekends and three evenings. The aim of the project is to reduce drug related litter in the city centre area and engage with IV drug users, signposting them to services and giving advice on safer use and disposal. The remit also includes working with PSNI, Belfast City Council

staff and city centre shopkeepers. The project provides training and advice to key stakeholders including shop owners and those working around the city centre.