

Specific groups

Issues for specific groups

Key reading:

Identifying effective interventions for preventing underage alcohol consumption

Liverpool John Moores University, 2009

This report sets out to identify a range of effective interventions aimed at preventing/reducing alcohol use in young people, and particularly underage drinkers. The authors conducted a review of a selection of published systematic reviews which had been carried out on this subject area in order to identify those interventions which had been well run, subjected to evaluation, and had produced successful outcomes

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Preventing later substance use disorders in at-risk children and adolescents: a review of the theory and evidence base of indicated prevention.

EMCDDA, 2009

This review on indicated prevention adds to the current knowledge and understanding of risk factors in the development of later drug problems and dependence, focusing on the mental health and behavioural problems that develop during childhood.

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Mobile pupils and drug education: a briefing paper for drug education professionals

Drug and Alcohol Education and Prevention Team, DrugScope, Alcohol Concern, 2006.

This briefing identifies the specific issues for school drug policy that are raised by 'mobile pupils'

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Gender and drug education: a briefing paper for drug education practitioners 2006

Drug and Alcohol Education and Prevention Team Publisher: DrugScope, Alcohol Concern, 2006.

This briefing summarises: key differences in prevalence of drug use amongst young men and women of school age; reasons young men and women give for their drug use; risks and protective factors; the principles of effective drug education and some teaching and learning strategies.

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Drugs: guidance for the youth service

McWhirter J., Mir H., DrugScope, Alcohol Concern, 2006.

Consultation with key stakeholders in 2004-5 revealed a need for guidance for the youth service on drug education, drug incident management and drug policy development. This guidance, published by DrugScope and Alcohol Concern, will complement that published by the DfES for schools.

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Special needs and drug education

Ives R. Fulton, 2005

This book includes an overview of different types of drugs, Government requirements for teaching about drugs and prevention, and particular drug issues for pupils with special educational needs.

Web: www.educari.com

Drug education for young deaf people: a briefing paper for practitioners working with young deaf people

Drug and Alcohol Education and Prevention Team, DrugScope, Alcohol Concern, 2004.

The aim of this briefing is to provide support for practitioners working with young deaf people in delivering drug education.

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Resources for use in drug education and prevention work with black and minority ethnic community groups

Bashford J. Centre for Ethnicity and Health, 2003.

This report has been commissioned by DrugScope for the Drug Education and Prevention Information Service (DEPIS) in order to identify the issues and gaps in resource development for drug education and prevention work with Black and minority ethnic communities and where possible highlight examples of good practice. The research took place over a four-month period and involved a literature review of key documentation and Internet searches. It was found that there were very few examples of drug education and prevention resources targeted for use with specific Black and minority ethnic communities and service providers were very often reported as being uncertain how to obtain such resources.

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First Steps in identifying young people's substance related needs

DrugScope and Home Office, 2003.

This guidance is aimed at professionals who work in statutory or voluntary health, social care, education and the criminal justice system, providing a service to children and young people. This includes: those working in schools and pupil referral units with specific drug and alcohol responsibilities, social workers, education welfare officers, care home workers, youth workers, Connexion's personal advisers, youth offending team staff, generic counsellors, accident and emergency staff, child and adolescent mental health workers, foster carers, residential care workers, voluntary agency staff and staff at one stop shops.

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