Dun Laoghaire Rathdown LDTF Area Drug Rehabilitation Pilot Project

Comprehensive Assessment Form



Prior to carrying out this Comprehensive Assessment please ensure that you have copy of Initial Assessment previously completed.

If you did not carry out the Initial Assessment with this client please spend some time with them reading through it as it forms the basis of their Comprehensive Assessment.

		GENERAL IN	FORMATION	l	
	Surname: Forer	ame(s):		Nickname((s):
	Assessment date:				_
	Gender: Male			Female	
		(dd/mm/yy)			
	PPS No.:				
Γ	Address:		Telephone No.:		
			Landline:		
	County:		Mobile:		
	CAN WE		CAN WE PHO	NE YOU ON	
	Write to you at this address	Yes 🗆 No 🗆	Mobile number		Yes 🗆 No 🗆
:	Call in person to the above address	Yes 🗆 No 🗆	Landline numbe	er	Yes 🗆 No 🗆
	IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY Name of next of kin:		Relations	nip to you:	
	Is this person aware of your dru	g use/ contact w	ith this service:	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Phone number:		Landline:		Mobile:
	Address:				
	Assessment commencement dat	9:			
	Referrer/ referring agency:				
	Name of referrer & referring agency:	Address of refer	ring agency:	Contact num referring ag	nber of referrer / ency:
	Referral date:				
	an you give me some details abo en experiencing?)	ut the reason for	your referral? (v	Vhat are the issue	es / difficulties you have

	Name of agency:	Name of (key) worker in agency:	Address of agency:	Contact number of agency:
Substance Use				
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lental/ sychological/ motional lealth				
amily & Current Lelationships				
ccommodation Living rrangements				
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egal issues				
Recreational Activities / lobbies				
Religious/ Spiritual Aatters				
Cultural / Ethnic 1atters				

		Client initials:	DOB:
SUBSTA	ANCE USE		
Please insert screening tool score as appropriate (See Initia	al Assessment):		
DUDIT score	AUDIT score		
Is there anything you would like to tell me about your cu Behaviours? (Refer to Current Drug Use & Drug Using Risk Bel			Drug Using Risk
Have you ever received help for your drug or alcoh	ol use in the past?		
Drug use: Yes 🗆 No 🗆	Alcohol Use	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
If yes to above please state where and when you received this help/ treatment:	If yes to above please received this help/ trea		nen you
Please describe the type of help/ treatment you received: (E.g. individuals counselling, residential detox, residential rehabilitation, methadone maintenance, etc)	Please describe the typ received: (E.g. individua residential rehabilitation,	I counselling, group o	
What did you find most useful about this help/ treatment?	What did you find mo treatment?	ost useful about t	his help/
What, in your opinion, was the overall outcome for you and your drug use having received this help/ treatment?	What, in your opinion for you and your alco help/ treatment?		
What type of help/ treatment do you think would be beneficial to you now?	What type of help/ to be beneficial to you		think would

Do you experience withdrawal symptoms when you stop taking substances? (Examples may include nausea, vomiting, diahorrea, abdominal discomfort, muscle aches, anxiety, irritability, insomnia, palpitations, shakes, sweating, memory loss, confusion, convulsions or blackouts.) If yes, please give details.

DOB:

SEVERITY OF DEPENDENCE SCALE (SDS)^{1, 2}

The following questions are about your substance use prior to commencing treatment. For each of the five questions, please indicate the most appropriate response, as it applied to your substance use in the month prior to starting treatment

	Never/ Almost never	Sometimes	Often	Always/ nearly always
Do you think your use of (preference substance was out of control?	0	1	2	3
Did the prospect of missing a fix (or dose)(preference sub- stance) make you anxious or worried?	0	1	2	3
Did you worry about your use of(preference substance)?	0	1	2	3
Did you wish you could stop?	0	1	2	3
	Not difficult	Quite difficult	Very difficult	Impossible
How difficult did you find it to stop or go without(preference substance)?	0	1	2	3

SDS TOTAL:

Severity of Dependence Scale

This table provides guidelines for diagnostic cut-off points for dependence/ problematic use for various substances. They should therefore be interpreted within the context of the overall assessment. Where discrepancies arise in the research regarding the cut-off point for a specific substances the lower cut-off point is indicated below. When assessing an individuals level of dependence, the higher the total score the higher the level of dependence³. Assessors are advised to consult referenced research papers for guidance on cut-off points.

Alcohol \geq 3 ⁴	Benzodiazepines \geq 7 ¹⁰	Cocaine ≥ 3 ^{7,8}
Amphetamines \geq 5 ⁵	Cannabis ≥ 3 ⁶	Opiates ≥ 3 ^{8,9}

Please identify the goals you have in relation to your substance use in the longer term:

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What changes would you like to make in relation to your substance use in the short term?

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Yes

No

PHYSICAL HEALTH

Is there any additional information about your current or past medical history that you think it would helpful for us to know about? (Refer to Initial Assessment)

Do you have any dental health needs? If 'yes' please give details:

Have you any concerns about your sexual health? If 'yes' to above please give details:	Yes	No	
Do you know how you can protect yourself against sexually transmitted infections?	Yes	No	
If female have you ever had a smear test? If 'yes' can you give me an estimated date of when you had your last smear?	Yes	No	
If 'no' would you like to have a smear test taken?	Yes	No	
Do you have any concerns about contraception? If `yes' please give details?	Yes	No	

Have you ever had a:				
HIV test	Yes	No	Don't know	
Hepatitis B test	Yes	No	Don't know	
Hepatitis C test	Yes	No	Don't know	

If 'yes' to any of the above are you aware of the test results? Please give details:

If you received a positive Blood Bourne Virus (BBV) test result did you received any treatment? Please give details:

 Do you know if you have ever been vaccinated against hepatitis B?

 Yes
 If 'yes' please give estimate of date)

 No
 Don't know

Would you like to have a blood test taken to screen for:				
HIV	Yes		No	
Hepatitis B	Yes		No	
Hepatitis C	Yes		No	
Are you aware of the ways in which HIV, hepatitis B & C can be transmitted from one person to another?	Yes		No	
Has information been given to you on: (If applicable)				
Needle exchange services:	Yes		No	
Safer drug using practices:	Yes		No	
Safer sex practice:	Yes		No	

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Do you think that there is a co If 'yes' please give details:	onnection between yo	our substance use and	d your physical hea	alth?
General Practitioner: (Family o	loctor)		ntact number of G	D.
	Address of GP.			r.
Is your GP aware of your subs	stance use and any i	ssues/ difficulties you	may have in relat	ion to it?
Yes		No		

Do yo	u currently hav	e:					
A me	dical card?		Privat	e health ins	surance?	Other?	
Yes		No	Yes		No	Please specify:	

Please identify any goals you have in relation to your general/ dental health in the longer term:
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What progress do you want/ supports do you require in relation to your general/ dental health in the short term? (If applicable)

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If 'yes' please give details:

If you are/ have been treated for a mental health problem can you tell me what you are/ have been treated for, if known: (your diagnosis)

Is there any additional information about your past or current mental/ psychological/ emotional health that you think it would be helpful for us to know about? (Refer to initial assessment)

MENTAL/ PSYCHOLOGICAL/ EMOTIONAL HEALTH

If you are currently receiving help or have in the past received help for mental/ psychological/ emotional health problems can you tell us:

What do/ did you find most useful about this help/ treatment?

If you are/ have been treated for a mental health problem can you tell me the name and address of the psychiatrist or doctor that treated you:

Are you aware of any family history of mental health problems?

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Yes No

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Have you ever deliberately self-harmed? If 'yes' can you give me more details?		Yes		No	
Have you ever considered or attempted suicide? If 'yes' can you give me more details?		Yes		No	
Do you think that there is a link between your substance use and your mental, If 'yes' please give details:	/ psych	ologic	al/ emo	tional hea	alth?
Please identify any goals you have in relation to your mental/ psychological/ en (If applicable)	notiona	l heal	th in the	e long ter	m:
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What steps do you think you need to take to achieve your goals in relation to you emotional health in the short term? (If applicable)	our me	ntal/	psychol	ogical/	J

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Name:	Name:	Name:
Relationship to you:	Relationship to you:	Relationship to you:
Name:	Name:	Name:
Relationship to you:	Relationship to you:	Relationship to you:
	Relationship to you: Name:	Relationship to you: Relationship to you: Name: Name:

DOB:

Are any of your family members (including your spouse/ partner) aware that you are trying to address your substance use? If 'yes' please give details:	Yes	No	
Do you think that your family members or friends would support you in addressing your substance use?	Yes	No	
If yes, who do you think would support you and in what ways?			
Do any of your family members (including your spouse or partner) have difficulties with drugs or alcohol or have a history of addiction? If 'yes' please give details:	Yes	No	

Do you have any childre	en? If 'yes' please complete tab	le below:		
Name:	Age:	Name:	Age:	
If this child does not live with:	e with you who do they live	If this child does r with:	not live with you who do they live	
Do you see this child reg	Jularly? (How often?)	Do you see this ch	ild regularly? (How often?)	
What area is you child liv	ving in: (if known)	What area is you c	hild living in: (if known)	
Name:	Age:	Name:	Age:	
If this child does not live with:	e with you who do they live	If this child does n with:	ot live with you who do they live	
Do you see this child reg	Jularly? (How often?)	Do you see this child regularly? (How often?)		
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What area is you child liv	ving in: (if known)	What area is you c	hild living in: (if known)	

	Client initial	s:	DO	B:	
Do you have any concerns about your children's health, welfare or dev If 'yes' please give details:	elopment?	Yes		No	
Have you ever received assistance from any service/ agency to help you children's health, welfare or development? If 'yes' please give details:	u with your	Yes		No	
Do you think that you need assistance from any service/ agency to help your children's health, welfare or development? If 'yes' please give deta		Yes		No	
Do you think that there is a connection between your substance use and your relationships? If 'yes' in what ways?	d	Yes		No	

Please identify what goals you have in relation to your family and relationships in the long term: (If applicable)

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What progress do you want/ supports do you require in relation to your family and relationships in the short term: (If applicable)

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ACCOMODAT	FION AND LIVING ARRANGEM	1ENT:	S		
Please refer to initial assessment for: Living with who:	Living where:				
Do you currently have any concerns or di accommodation or living arrangements?		Yes		No	
How many accommodation moves have y you have lived, with whom and for how lo		ive det	ails of	where	5
Where:	With whom:	For	how lo	ong:	
Please continue on further information sheet if needed. Have you ever experienced homelessness	5?	Yes		No	
If 'yes' please give details:					
If you are currently homeless are you reg If 'Yes', which Local Authority:	jistered with a Local Authority	Yes		No	
Do you think that there is anything that on your capacity to live independently? (I If' yes' please give details:		Yes		No	
Is there anything about running or main about or think you might need help with		Yes		No	
Do you think that there is a link between your accommodation and living arranger		Yes		No	
Please identify any goals you may have in the long term: (If applicable)	n relation to your accommodation and	living a	irrang	ement	s in
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INCOME AND FINANCE				
Do you currently have any financial issues/ concerns? If 'yes' please give details:	Yes		No	
Do you have a regular income? If `yes' from where?	Yes		No	
Are you currently in receipt of any benefits? If 'yes' what benefits do you receive?	Yes		No	
Are there any benefits you think you may be entitled to that you are no Please give details:	t receiving? Ye	es 🗆] No	
On average how much does your alcohol/ drug use cost you daily?				
On average how much does your alcohol/ drug use cost you weekly?				
Does you income match your expenditure?	Yes		No	
If 'no' how do you finance your additional expenditure?				
Do you currently have any debts?	Yes		No	
If 'yes' do you have a plan to manage the payments of your debts?	Yes		No	
In your opinion, is there a link between your drug/ alcohol use and your financial issues/ concerns? If 'yes' please give details:	- Yes		No	
Please identify what goals you may have in relation to your finances in t 1.	he long term: (If appl	icable)	
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What progress do you want/ supports do you require in relation to your applicable)	finances in the	shor	t term	: (If
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Client initials: DOB: **EMPLOYMENT** Are you? Employed full-time Student Employed part-time In training Unemployed Other (Please state): What hours of the day and days of the week do you Is there any flexibility around the times you attend work/ college/ training? attend work/college/ training? (We ask this to see what services operate at times that may suit you) Days of week: Hours of Yes No day: Have you worked in the past? If 'yes' please give details. Yes No Would you like to change your current employment situation? Yes No If 'yes' please give details: Do you have any specific employment interests or areas of employment Yes No that you would like to pursue? If 'yes' please give details: Do you think that there is a connection between your substance use Yes No and your employment situation?

Please identify what goals you may have in relation to your employment situation in the long term: (If applicable)

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What progress do you want/ supports do you require in relation to your employment situation in the short term: (If applicable)

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	Client initials:	DOB:
EDUCATION & TRAINING		
Can you tell me a bit about your education & training history?		
At what age did you leave school?		
What is the highest level of education you have attained? (E.g. primary level, see	ondary level, third leve	el, special needs
education, etc)		
Can you tell me of any other training or education you have been invol-	ved in?	
Have you ever been on a CE scheme?	Yes 🗆] No 🗆
If 'yes' can you give details of when this was and where?		
Do you have any literacy, numeracy or learning difficulty needs?	Yes [] No □
If 'yes' would you like to address these needs? Please give details:	Yes D] No □
nease give details.		
If you have previously engaged in an education or training course, what did you	u find most upoful o	r oniovabla
about it?	u illu illost userui o	Гепјоуаріе
Would you be interested in attending education or training?	Yes 🗆] No 🗆
If 'yes' what are your areas of interest or what particular skills you would like to	o learn?	
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What progress do you want/ supports do you require in relation to your educat (If applicable)	tion & training in the	e short term:
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LEGAL ISSUES Do you currently have any concerns about legal issues? Yes No If 'yes' can you give me details? Yes No Have you in the past ever been: Yes No Charged with an offence? Yes No Been convicted of an offence? Yes No Received a prison sentence? Yes No If 'yes' to any of the above please give details: No Do you have any outstanding warrants or charges? Yes No If 'yes' please give details: Yes No	
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Are you currently involved with an agency or individual who is assisting Yes I No you with you legal issues? (E.g. solicitor, probation service/ officer, Citizen's Advice Bureau) If 'yes' please give details:	
Do you think there is a connection between your substance use Yes No and your legal issues? If 'yes' please give details:	
Please identify what goals you may have in relation to your legal issues in the long term: (If applicable)	

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What progress do you want/ supports do you require in relation to your legal issues in the short term: (If applicable)

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RECREATIONA	L ACTIVITES/ HO	BBIES		
Are there any recreational activities or hobbies that yo	ou are involved in?	Yes	□ No	
If 'yes' to above please give details:	If 'no' to above, is there would like to get involve			u
Do you think that involvement in recreational activities benefits, or would benefit, you and your life? If 'yes' in what ways?	s or hobbies	Yes		

RELIGIOUS & SPIRITUAL MATTERS			
Is there anything you think we need to know in relation to providing you a service that is in keeping with your religious beliefs and practices? Please give details:	Yes	No	

CULTURAL & ETHNIC MATTERS			
Do you have any cultural or ethnic customs or practices that you think we should know about while we are delivering a service to you? If 'yes' please outline what they are:	Yes	No	

 Recreational activities / hobbies
 Religious & spiritual matters
 Cultural & ethnic matters

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What progress do you want/ supports do you require in the short term: (If applicable)

Recreational activities / hobbies	Religious & spiritual matters	Cultural & ethnic matters
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CHANGE					
Throughout this assessment process you have identified that you want to address or make changes to different areas of your life					
What are the most important reasons you want to make these changes?					
What results/ outcomes do you hope for yourself and your life in making these changes?					
Do you feel ready to make these changes now? Yes No					
If 'yes' to above, what do you think you have to do to make these changes happen?					
If you do not feel ready to make changes now what do you think would help you make the changes you want?					
What do you think will be most difficult for you in making these changes?					
Can you identify ways to overcome these difficulties?					
Can you identify the main areas that you want to address or change (3- 5areas)? (Please place in order of priority).					
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Assessors observations		5: (Continue overleaf if required)	
Please indicate individu	ual's screening	& diagnostic scores:	
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SDS (indicate for	which substance) SDS (indica	ate for which substance)
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Interventions recomme			
Assessed	Need identified (Please tick as appropriate)	Recommended intervention:	Referral made to: (service name & date)
Substance Use			
Physical / Dental Health			
Mental/ Psychological/ Emotional Health			
Family & Current Relationships			
Accommodation & Living Arrangements			
Income & Finance			
Employment			
Education & Training			
Legal Issues			
Recreational Activities/ Hobbies			
Religious & Spiritual Issues			
Cultural Issues			

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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