

### **Southwark Substance Misuse Needs Assessment 2013**

- Previously done 2010
- Centre for Public Innovation have been commissioned
- Began in April 2013 and will be completed in October 2013
- Steering group which includes the Joint Commissioning Group as well as other stakeholders – meets monthly
- Focus on Heroin and Crack users, Cannabis users, Misusers of over-the-counter medicines, Misusers of prescription drugs and new and emerging drugs
- Alcohol strategies to inform NA
- Desktop review – local and national
- Data collection and analysis (Public Health, A and E, treatment figures etc)
- Focus Groups – service users, hostel residents, primary care patients, complex clients at CDAT, Crack users, LGBT group, party drug users, students, clients who have attended residential rehabilitation, day programme attendees, Service User Council, drug users not in treatment)
- Professional Stakeholder Interviews

The Needs assessment will

- Describe the extent to which current provision aligns with the need of the emerging populations.
- Identify unmet needs and gaps in provision.
- Identify how the unmet needs of the emerging populations can be met.
- Provide recommendations for the commissioning and de-commissioning of services.

Stakeholder Event where final document will be presented October

Relevant Strategic Documents:

National Drug Strategy -

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/drug-strategy-2010--2>

Southwark Alcohol Strategy -

<http://moderngov.southwarksites.com/documents/s36282/Appendix%201%20Alcohol%20Strategy%202013%20-%202016.pdf%20>