# Substance Use Education and Prevention Initiatives in Highland

#### Highland Initiatives

The <u>Highland Substance Awareness: Prevention and Education</u> <u>Framework</u> is a resource linking educational activities to health and wellbeing outcomes within Curriculum for Excellence, ensuring age appropriate input. Resources to support the framework can be accessed via the <u>Highland Substance</u> <u>Awareness Toolkit</u>.

The <u>Highland Substance Awareness Toolkit</u> (H-SAT) is an online resource for young people, parents / carers, & professionals, providing information about tobacco, alcohol & drugs. <u>Lesson</u> plans are available. The <u>Prevention and Intervention Model</u>, highlights interventions & support at various levels of substance use. Details of the <u>Substance Aware School Award</u> are also available on the H-SAT.



# www.h-sat.co.uk

#### <u>Raising</u> Awareness

awareness campaigns

Festival and festive

encouraging young

people to avoid or

reduce harm from

alcohol / drug use.

#### <u>Surveys</u>

<u>SALSUS</u> (Scottish Schools Adolescent Lifestyle and Substance Use Survey) is a government survey that is conducted nationally every 2 years and every 4 years in Highland, providing trend data that shows decreasing use over time both in Highland and nationally.

<u>Highland Lifestyle Survey</u> provides local data relating to self-reported responses of P7, S2 and S4 pupils to questions relating to health and wellbeing, including substance use, on a biennial basis.



<u>Scottish</u> Government

<u>'What works' in drug</u> prevention and education?

#### Positive / Diversionary Activities

Northern Stars engages young people in a high-quality performing arts experience and encourages every participant to be the best they can be, in a positive & supportive environment. It is supported by HADP in recognition of the contribution participation have on encouraging positive lifestyle choices.

## **Training**

Discussing Drugs and Alcohol with Young People is a free training course based on the principles of motivational interviewing & brief interventions. The training provides structure to opportunistic, non-confrontational conversations to support young people to make healthy lifestyle choices around drugs & alcohol. Further information is available in the Learning & Development for Health Improvement prospectus.

## <u>Social Media</u>

Social Marketing

Drugs and Alcohol, telling it like it is

<u>Meet the MacPhersons</u> encourages parents to be aware of the impact of their behaviour and decision-making in relation to underage drinking @nhsh\_wellbeing

# We support:





Available from: http://www.highland-adp.org.uk/fairer-and-healthier-communities

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