

Western Region Drugs Task Force (WRDTF)

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Drug & Alcohol Awareness Training in the
Western Region: Galway, Roscommon & Mayo

2013

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All training listed here is free of charge and unless otherwise stated, is provided by Gillian Conway and Neil Wilson, Education Support Workers funded by the Western Region Drugs Task Force

Putting the Pieces Together Training

Two Day Course

Course Outline:

A two-day training programme on the ***Putting the Pieces Together*** Training manual, its content and use, incorporating exercises from the manual. This manual sets out to harness an integrated holistic approach to working with young people, parents and communities on the subject of drugs and alcohol. It aims to act as a guide and a resource for persons working with young people of mixed abilities in an out-of-school setting.

Course Aims:

- To explore and challenge attitudes in relation to substance use
- To enhance knowledge and understanding of substance use
- To explore how drugs affect the brain and elicit their effects
- To develop skills in delivering drugs and alcohol education
- To develop an understanding of Best Practice in substance use education
- To develop skills in relation to talking to young people about substance use
- To give an introduction into the use of brief interventions
- To develop an understanding of how to use the resource *Putting the Pieces Together*
- To be aware of services available locally and nationally

Learning Outcomes:

- Knowledge of up-to-date information concerning substance use
- Capacity to provide an holistic approach in substance awareness/prevention education
- Ability to deliver an awareness / prevention course encompassing issues of self-esteem, mental/sexual health, relationships and skills such as communications/decision making.

Who should attend/Target Group?

Individuals who intend to complete PTPT awareness / prevention courses with young people within organisation and groups in out-of-school settings .

Location and Date:

March 6th & 7th Castlebar, Co. Mayo
October 2nd & 3rd Tuam, Co. Galway

Trainers:

Neil Wilson and Gillian Conway, Education Support Workers

Number of Places Available

16

How to book:

Please complete the *Putting the Pieces Together* Booking form on page 25

For further information on this course contact:

Gillian Conway on 086-7814779 for course in Mayo & Roscommon
Neil Wilson on 086-7274888 for course in Galway City and County

Basic/Introductory Drug Awareness Training Course

Half-day

Course Outline:

An introduction to drugs and alcohol, their effects and the main issues surrounding substance use.

Course Content:

An introduction to drug types, their definition and classification with regard to the main effects. Exploration of the reasons why someone might choose to use substances and an overview of current concerns in this area including national statistics and facts. This course incorporates legal, illegal, prescription and over-the-counter substances.

Learning Outcomes:

- Participants will be better informed on the topic
- Participants will be more aware of signs and symptoms of substance use
- People can apply a safer attitude to substance use in their own lives/homes incorporating harm reduction philosophy
- Increased awareness of supports services available and how to refer to appropriate services

Who should attend/Target Group?

People with an interest in this general area. Workers/volunteers who wish to gain knowledge of drugs and alcohol and their effects.

Locations and Dates:

Roscommon: February 26th

Castlebar: July 25th

Loughrea, Co. Galway: February 6th

Oughterard, Co. Galway: February 28th

Number of Places Available:

16 per course

How to book:

Please complete the booking form on page 23 of this document.

For further information on this course contact:

Gillian Conway on 086-7814779 for courses in Mayo & Roscommon

Neil Wilson on 086-7274888 for courses in Loughrea & Oughterard

Drug Awareness Training

One day course

Course Outline:

A one day workshop to up-skill and inform participants on substance use, its effects and appropriate responses to situations.

Course Content:

This course will explore the issue of drugs, and will provide an overview of drug types and effects including new and emerging drugs as well as over-the-counter and prescription medication. It will address the pre-empting factors and how to establish positive alternatives. It incorporates a harm reduction approach in line with best practice standards and will provide information on national findings, reports and campaigns.

The course will address models of substance use and the in-depth effects of use, incorporating brain chemistry alteration. It will address current concerns and risks and signpost support and information services. It will also look at how to deal with situations and use of brief interventions

Learning Outcomes:

- To have a greater knowledge of drugs and the surrounding issues and effects
- To be aware of harm reduction philosophy and approaches with a view to applying same to personal and professional practices
- Participants will be more aware of national developments in this area
- Participants will feel better informed of, and supported in, approaching services
- Understanding some of the major issues within prevention/education work
- Understanding some of the different approaches for dealing with substance use

Who should attend/Target Group?

Individuals and organisations that encounter substance use within their work and may be required to interact with clients. It is recommended that participants have some basic knowledge of substance use issues or have attended the basic drug awareness course.

NB This course can be specifically tailored towards the needs of particular organisations given a prior needs assessment meeting. (see specifically tailored training form on page 28)

Date:

Roscommon: May 7th

Castlebar: October 17th

Galway: October 17th

Number of Places Available: 16

How to book:

Complete booking form on page 23

For further information on this course contact:

Gillian Conway on 086-7814779 for course in Mayo & Roscommon

Neil Wilson on 086-7274888 for course in Galway

Alcohol Awareness Training Course

One Day

Course Outline:

A one-day training course exploring and developing knowledge of alcohol and its related issues.

Course Content:

The training will explore alcohol in its physiological, cultural and behavioural right. It will provide detailed information on the effects of alcohol as a chemical; our cultural relationship with alcohol in Ireland; national statistics and research developments and the sometimes co-existing mental health issues. It will address the link between alcohol and risk-taking behaviours, sexual health and mental wellbeing. This course employs harm reduction techniques for people working in this area. It will address young people and 'binge' behaviour, explore preventative and protective factors, and focus on positive/healthy alternatives. It incorporates activities and group work.

Learning Outcomes:

- Increased awareness of the causative and consequential effects of this drug
- Better informed of national practice, statistics and reports on this topic
- Better informed about alcohol as a brain-altering chemical
- Be able to apply harm reduction and/or awareness campaigns to professional/personal practice
- Knowledge of current alcohol usage patterns
- Understanding of motivations and effects of alcohol use
- Evaluation of differing approaches to alcohol education & harm reduction measures

Who should attend/Target Group?

- People working in the area or with a particular interest
- Individuals and groups wishing to increase their general awareness of alcohol related issues
- Workers/volunteers who wish to gain a greater understanding of alcohol related issues concerning individuals, especially young people

Location and Date:

Roscommon: April 16th

Castlebar: April 18th

Galway: March 12th

Ballinasloe: April 17th

Number of Places Available:

16

How to book:

Complete the booking from on page 23

For further information on this course contact:

Gillian Conway on 086-7814779 for course in Mayo & Roscommon

Neil Wilson on 086-7274888 for course in Galway

Prescription & 'Over-the-Counter' Drug Awareness

Full day/Evening course

Course Outline:

An exploration of prescription and over the counter substances with regard to effects, harms and alternatives

Course Content:

A one-day training course that introduces prescription/over-the-counter substances with regard to their main effects. This training focuses on potential unwanted effects or harms that can be caused by the contraindicated use, misuse and overuse of medication and its interaction with other substances.

The course employs a harm reduction approach and enhances one's ability to identify risks and make informed, safer personal and professional decisions. It encourages the user to explore reasons for use and causative factors, highlighting the potentially damaging pattern that symptomatic responses can harvest, and explores healthy alternatives.

If deemed necessary, a brief intervention module can be included as a tool to communicate around this issue.

Learning Outcomes:

- To be more informed of prescription/over the counter medication types
- To be able to reduce harm and signpost healthy alternatives
- To feel more competent in addressing this issue with clients (if applicable)
- To employ safer use of these substances
- To be generally more aware of this area and promote it in the wider community

Who should attend/Target Group?

Anyone interested in exploring this topic or working in this area. This course can be adapted to suit the needs of a specific group e.g.: pharmacists/staff team, etc.

Location and Date:

June 19th

Number of Places Available:

Minimum 8, max 12

How to book:

Complete the booking form on page 23

For further information on this course contact:

Gillian Conway on 086-7814779

Emerging Trends in Drug/Alcohol Use

Half-Day

Course Outline:

The course looks at new and emerging drugs and drug use on a local, national and international basis

Course Content:

- Emerging trends of use with 'traditional drugs' (e.g. Cannabis and Ecstasy)
- Newly established drugs (e.g. Mephedrone, MXE, and GBL)
- Current information on 'Headshop' products sourced from the internet or abroad
- Future possible trends of drug use

Learning Outcomes:

- Knowledge of new trends within existing 'traditional' drug categories
- Knowledge of new and emerging drugs & the *psychonaut* movement
- Understanding of reasons behind the changing market for substances (legal & illegal)
- Understanding of the likely future direction of substance use in the Irish context

Who should attend/Target Group?

Professionals/Youth Workers who may encounter new or emerging drugs in the course of their work.

Location and Date:

Regional Training: May 14th

Trainers:

Neil Wilson
Gillian Conway

Number of Places Available

16

How to book:

Complete the booking form on page 23

For further information on this course contact:

Gillian Conway on 086-7814779
Neil Wilson on 086-7274888

Drug and Sexual Health Awareness Course

1 Day

Course Outline:

To explore the connections between drug/ alcohol use and sexual activity and the consequences of sexual activity

Course Content:

- Alcohol use and sexual activity
- Drug use and sexual activity
- Drugs connected with unwanted sexual activity (commonly referred to as 'date rape')
- Drug use and the LGBT community
- Dealing with consequences – sexually transmitted infections and pregnancy

Learning Outcomes:

- Knowledge of the effects of alcohol and drug usage on sexual activity & practices
- Understanding of the consequences of sexual activity
- Consideration of approaches towards prevention/education and harm reduction in this area

Who should attend/Target Group?

Individuals and groups who require greater awareness of issues concerning drug & alcohol use and its relationship to sexual activity, especially amongst younger people.

Location and Date:

Galway City: November 12th

Number of Places Available

16

How to book:

Complete booking form on page 23

For further information on this course contact:

Neil Wilson on 086-7274888

Workplace Drug Awareness

Half Day Course

Course Outline:

Half-day course highlighting work related substance use and its inclusion in policy. (This course can take place before or after the seminar on *Developing a Substance Use Policy*)

Course Content:

An introduction to substances with potential to be used/misused in the workplace. Guidance on the signs and symptoms and how to address such issues. This course will highlight the importance of employing a substance use policy to support this issue.

Learning Outcomes:

- Greater awareness of substance use
- More confident in addressing issues
- Highlight the prevalence of work related issues
- Understanding the application of a substance use policy

Who should attend/Target Group?

Management and Staff of any organisation.

Date:

Available on Request

Trainers:

Neil Wilson, Education Support Worker- Galway City and County
Gillian Conway, Education Support Worker- Mayo and Roscommon

Number of Places Available

Minimum 8

To book and for further information on this course contact:

Gillian Conway on 086-7814779 for training in Mayo and Roscommon or
Neil Wilson on 086-7274888 for training in Galway City and County

Developing a Substance Use Policy

Two Hour Seminar with additional supports where needed

Course Outline:

This two- hour seminar provides an introduction to substance use policy development for all groups, organisations, companies or clubs whether established as a specific substance use service or not.

The seminar will be useful to any groups, organisations, companies or clubs who:

- Want to develop a substance use policy
- Have an existing substance use policy but would like to update it

Course Content:

The seminar aims to provide you and your organisation with;

- an understanding of the importance of having an up-to-date substance use policy
- an understanding of the stages involved in developing or updating a substance use policy
- useful templates and resources to assist in developing a substance use policy

Learning Outcomes:

This seminar will equip those attending with the necessary information and resources to develop their own substance use policy which is appropriate to their setting.

The Western Region Drugs Task Force, Community Liaison Worker will provide additional support in the community where needed.

Who should attend/Target Group?

As identified in the National Drugs Strategy; there is a need to promote the development of substance use policies in a number of key areas. These are;

- workplaces
- sports, community and voluntary organisations
- educational establishments

This 'Developing a Substance Use Policy' seminar will be particularly useful to any organisation that does not have a current policy in place. This seminar will also be useful to those wishing to update their current substance use policy, and in particular; groups, organisations, companies or clubs whose role involves dealing with people actively using substances.

Location and Date

Galway City: 10th May and 4th of October

Connemara: TBA

Castlebar: 10th May

Roscommon: 6th December

Facilitator:

Galway & Connemara: Liam O Loughlin, Community Liaison Worker for Galway City and Connemara.

Roscommon: Emmet Major, Community Liaison Worker for East Galway & South Roscommon

Mayo: Pat Conway, Community Liaison Worker for North Roscommon & Mayo

Number of Places Available

Maximum 20 per seminar

To book this course and for further information contact:

Liam O Loughlin 087 621 7728 or email liam.oloughlin@cgvec.ie

Emmet Major on 087 6629953 or email communityliaison@eircom.net

Drug & Alcohol Awareness for Family Resource Centres and Community Projects

One Day

Course Outline:

A one-day training course highlighting substance use issues in our community, how Family Resource Centres and community based projects can have a role in addressing this and some useful tools for addressing substance use issues.

Course Content:

Overview of substances being misused and their potential harms. Some explorative work on risks in the home, workplace and community. An update on national statistics and facts. Guidance and support on how to address these issues through our work. An opportunity to practice brief intervention when faced with such an issue.

Learning Outcomes:

On completion of the course participants will

- Have a greater awareness and understanding of such issues in our community
- Feel better prepared and supported in addressing this issue through our work
- Increased capacity to approach this topic with individuals and groups
- Be better informed on a local and national level
- Be better informed on support services and appropriate referral routes

Who should attend/Target Group?

Staff and Volunteers of Family Resource Centres and Community based projects

Location and Date:

Regional Location: May 28th regional location

Number of Places Available

Max:16 Minimum: 8

How to book:

Please complete the application form on page 23

For further information on this course contact:

Gillian Conway on 086-7814779 for course in Mayo & Roscommon

Neil Wilson on 086-7274888 for course in Galway

Good Practice Skills in Drug Education in Youth Work Settings

Half Day

Course Outline:

An overview of good practice guidelines for drug education in line with national standards.

Course Content:

An opportunity to compare common practices in drug education delivery with good practice recommendations. This training will explore the reason for the recommendations WRDTF put forward and give attendees an opportunity to consider topic appropriacy and related issues through activities.

Learning Outcomes:

- To feel more confident in approaching the subject
- To be better equipped to design/develop a drug programme
- The overall standard of delivery will improve in the region with a view to more effective learning
- Participants will be able to link with WRDTF Education Workers for support in this area

Who should attend/Target Group?

People with a role around educating young people or adults on the topic of substance use in out of school settings.

Location and Date:

Castlebar April 30th

Galway April 26th

Number of Places Available

Minimum 8, Maximum 20

How to book:

Complete the booking form on page 23

For further information on this course contact:

Gillian Conway on 086-7814779 for course in Mayo & Roscommon

Neil Wilson on 086-7274888 for course in Galway City and County

DEWF- Quality Standards in Drug Education

1 Day Course

Course Outline:

This course is designed to create a shared understanding on the aims, objectives, rationale, content and use of the Quality Standards manual and its application in a range of drug education settings. It will provide trainees with an opportunity to use the manual and test its application in one of the settings.

Course Content:

This course covers the following:

- History/Process of the development of the Quality Standards Manual
- Vision and purpose of substance use education
- Key elements of substance use education
- Good practice standards and performance indicators

Learning Outcomes:

- Ability to assess substance use education against DEWF criteria
- Ability to assess competencies of staff delivering substance use education against DEWF criteria

Who should attend/Target Group?

The aim of the manual is to provide a clear framework for practitioners of substance use education, such as workers in drug education and community education or development, youth workers, and health promotion staff, and for individuals and agencies commissioning substance use education, such as youth work management boards, school boards of management, and community education organisations.

Location and Date:

September 18th

Number of Places Available:

Minimum of 8, maximum 12

How to book:

Complete DEWF Training application form on page 24

For further information on this course contact:

Gillian Conway on 086-7814779 or
Neil Wilson on 086-7274888

Good Practice Guidelines for Peer Led Family Support Groups

1 Day Course

Course Outline:

A one day information session delivered by the National Family Support Network on their Good Practice Guidelines for Peer Led Family Support Groups

Course Content:

Topic covered include:

- Starting a groups
- Providing support in a group
- Seeking External Supports
- National Structures and Representations

Who should attend/Target Group?

The training is open to facilitators of family support groups, representatives from Family Resource Centres and any groups or organisations interested in learning more about or establishing a peer-ed family support group in the western region.

Date:

If you are interested in participation in this training day please contact Orla Walshe (number below)

Trainer(s):

Megan O'Leary, National Family Support Network, Dublin

Number of Places Available

Maximum 15

For further information on this course contact:

Orla Walshe, WRDTF 091-480053/087-7389175

Responding to Intimidation

1 Day Course

Course Overview:

The fear of intimidation and the lived experiences of intimidation by service users and their families is an issue that has confronted services for many years. The promotion of inter-agency working is a core facet of quality service provision and in responding to the issue of intimidation. Services such as Family Support can play a key role in developing responses to intimidation. This training is run in partnership with the Family Support Network (FSN) and An Garda Síochána and builds on a project between Gardaí and the FSN around responding to intimidation through an interagency approach.

This training day is to support workers (both family support workers and other workers) to facilitate family members experiencing intimidation to understand the options available to them and to avail of supports if they wish to do so. The training accompanies the 'Responding to Intimidation Policy' developed in partnership with the FSN, Gardaí and Progression Routes. The training includes inputs from the FSN, Gardaí, group discussion and skills development.

Learning Outcomes:

- Understand the process for responding to intimidation reported by family members or service users, including awareness of supports, boundaries, risk assessment and managing difficult situations.
- Have the skills and resources to implement an effective 'Responding to Intimidation' policy within their service.
- Have clear knowledge of the role of, and supports available from, the Family Support Network and the Gardaí in managing and responding to intimidation

Who should attend/Target Group?

Family support workers, family support group facilitators and their managers
Workers who have contact with families

Date & Time:

Thursday April 11th from 10am to 4pm

Venue:

To be confirmed

Trainer(s):

Megan O'Leary, National Family Support Network, Dublin
Local Members of An Gardaí Síochána

Number of Places Available

Max 25

To book this course and for further information contact:

Megan O'Leary, Family Support Network, Dublin 01- 8365168

Putting the Pieces Together- Train the Trainer Course

Half Day

Course Outline:

A one-day course to enable participants to deliver the two-day *Putting the Pieces Together* training programme to colleagues within their own organisation.

Course Content:

- Exploring the differing philosophies of drug and alcohol education approaches
- Considering how barriers to introducing *Putting the Pieces Together* can be overcome
- Preparing, delivering and receiving feedback on presentations to colleagues covering the major themes of *Putting the Pieces Together*
- Integrating quality standards (DWEF) into *Putting the Pieces Together* delivery
- *Putting the Pieces Together* Guidelines

Learning Outcomes:

- Increased knowledge of practical aspects of delivering a drug & alcohol awareness course
- Increased ability to deliver the themes of *Putting the Pieces Together* to colleagues
- Increased ability to oversee the delivery of a *Putting the Pieces Together* course to young people.

Who should attend/Target Group?

Those who have completed the 2 Day *Putting the Pieces Together* Training and wish to train others in the delivery of *Putting the Pieces Together*.

Location and Date:

Regional Venue: November 6th

Trainers:

Neil Wilson, Education Support Worker- Galway City and County
Gillian Conway, Education Support Worker- Mayo and Roscommon

Number of Places Available

Minimum 8, Maximum 12

How to book:

Complete booking form on page 27

For further information on this course contact:

Gillian Conway on 086-7814779 or
Neil Wilson on 086-7274888

Putting the Pieces Together Refresher Course

Half-Day

Course Outline:

A one-day course to enable participants who have already completed the two-day *Putting the Pieces Together* training programme to refresh and update their skills.

Course Content:

- Sharing good practice amongst participants
- How the WRDTF can support you in devising programmes
- Issues arising from using the *Putting the Pieces Together* manual with young people.
- New developments and trends concerning substance misuse.

Learning Outcomes:

- Increased confidence in dealing with practical/educational / behavioural issues with delivering *Putting the Pieces Together* to young people
- Updating knowledge of the main themes of *Putting the Pieces Together*
- Increased ability to facilitate the *Putting the Pieces Together* course to young people.

Who should attend/Target Group?

Participants **must** have already attended the 2-day *Putting the Pieces Together* training course. Some participants may not, as yet, have run a programme with young people or may feel the need to update their skills following the delivery of a course with young people.

Location and Date:

Regional Training Day: July 18th

Trainers:

Neil Wilson, Education Support Worker- Galway City and County
Gillian Conway, Education Support Worker- Mayo and Roscommon

Number of Places Available

Minimum 8, Maximum 25

How to book:

Complete the booking form on page 26

For further information on this course contact:

Gillian Conway on 086-7814779 or
Neil Wilson on 086-7274888

Young Peoples Programme

Specific to group

Course Outline:

From time to time the Education Support Workers develop and deliver programmes to youth groups or groups deemed at risk, or specific target groups of the national drugs strategy. Resources do not allow for this to be done on a regular basis but if the group is deemed in need of a programme delivered by experienced workers then a programme can be delivered to that group following a needs assessment meeting between the organisation/group and the Education Support Worker.

Course Content:

The programmes generally consist of 6 to 8 week sessions and are delivered by the Education Support Worker in conjunction with a staff member of the group/organisation. The exact details of the programme are agreed upon by those involved in the lead up to its delivery.

Learning Outcomes:

These will be determined during the needs assessment process

Target Group:

Youth groups deemed to be at risk or specific target groups as outlined in the Regional and National Drugs Strategy

Location and Date:

Ideally such a programme would be delivered on the premises of the group/organisation requesting the programme

Number of Places Available

Min of 8 max of 16 per group

How to book:

Contact the Education Support Worker for your area directly. See contact details below.

For further information on this course contact:

Gillian Conway on 086-7814779 for course in Mayo & Roscommon

Neil Wilson on 086-7274888 for course in Galway

Youth Mental Health and Substance Use

Course Outline:

This course will explore the issues of mental health and substance use in relation to young people. It will explore the challenges of working with the combined issues and introduce some useful interventions.

Course Content:

- Brief introduction to substance use in young people
- Brief introduction to mental health in young people
- Brief introduction to working with young people with substance use and mental health difficulties
- Discussion on the challenges of working with dual diagnosis.
- Introduction to useful interventions for working with same.

Learning Outcomes:

- Increased awareness of the issues of substance use and youth mental health issues
- Enhanced knowledge for working with young people with mental health and substance misuse difficulties.

Who should attend/Target Group?

Those working with young people who would like to increase their knowledge on the combined issues of youth mental health and substance misuse.

Location and Date:

June 6th, Community Room, Jigsaw Galway, Fairgreen Road, Galway City.

Trainers:

Jen Corbett, Jigsaw
Gillian Conway, ESW

Number of Places Available:

8 minimum and 20 maximum

How to book:

Please complete the booking form on page 23 of this document

For further information on this course contact:

Jennifer Corbett 091549252
Gillian Conway on 086-7814779

Substance Use and Domestic Abuse

TBC

Course Outline:

This course is specially designed for non-specialist workers who wish to gain an insight into both domestic violence and drug/alcohol sectors and whose clients may present with both issues.

Course Content:

Participants will explore some of the myths and realities around links and causality, and the use of drugs and alcohol in abusive relationships. It will highlight the need to approach the dual issues in an integrated way through partnership working and adequate referral processes.

Learning Outcomes:

This course will explore participants' own perceptions around drug use and the links to abuse. It will inform participants how substances are used by both perpetrators and survivors within a domestic abuse context and participants will learn how to respond effectively to clients who are experiencing domestic abuse and problematic substance use.

Who should attend/Target Group?

Those working in the community/voluntary/statutory sector that work with clients who present with substance use, domestic abuse or both issues and who wish to gain a greater understanding of the issues.

Location and Date:

TBC

Trainers:

TBC

Number of Places Available:

16

For further information on this course contact:

Orla Walshe, WRDTF 087-7389175

Brief profiles

Gillian Conway, Education Support Worker is employed by South West Mayo Development Company, a post funded by the Western Region Drugs Task Force. Gillian provides a specialist education resource aiming to promote the health and well-being of young people, parents and communities in Roscommon and Mayo. Services provided include parents' education groups, professional up-skilling and capacity building, facilitation of high-risk groups, community seminars and information sessions and programmes designed to meet your needs.

Contact Details: 086-7814779 email: gconway@southmayo.com

Neil Wilson, Education Support Worker employed by AIDS West, a post funded by the Western Region Drugs Task Force. Neil provides educations and training to group and agencies in Galway City and County. Neil also delivers holistic drug and alcohol education/prevention programmes to young people, parents, professionals, organisation, ethnic minorities, at risk groups and communities where a need has been identified.

Contact Details: 087-7274888 email: neils@aidswest.ie

Emmet Major, Community Liaison Worker (CLW) employed by County Galway VEC a post funded by the Western Region Drugs Task Force. Emmet is CLW for East Galway and South Roscommon. Key elements of the post include; development of supports for families experiencing difficulties due to drug/alcohol use, raising awareness of substance use issues generally and amongst agencies and community organisations, development of community projects that target local drug and alcohol related problems and the implementation and co-ordination of policy development in statutory, community and voluntary organisations

Contact Details: 087-6629953 email: communityliaison@eircom.net

Liam O Loughlin, Community Liaison Worker (CLW) employed by the City of Galway VEC and funded by the Western Region Drugs Task Force. Liam is CLW for Galway City and Connemara. The Community Liaison Worker role is to assist the community develop its individual responses to substance misuse; forge inter-agency collaborations and joint initiatives to tackle the local problems; help drive initiatives and co-ordinate developments in line with the NDS and regional policies; identify the local impact of substance misuse and local service needs; help groups prioritise needs; and finally assist in drug & alcohol policy development at a local level.

Contact Details: 087-6217728 email: liam.oloughlin@cgvec.ie

Pat Conway, Community Liaison Worker (CLW) employed by South West Mayo Development Company and funded by the Western Region Drugs Task Force. Pat is CLW for County Mayo and North Roscommon. His role is to assist communities to develop their individual responses to substance misuse, forage interagency collaborations and joint initiatives to tackle the local problems and to help drive initiatives and co-ordinate developments in line with the National Drugs Strategy and regional policies, identify the local impact of substance misuse and local service needs; help groups prioritise needs; and finally assist in drug & alcohol policy development at a local level.

Contact Details: 087-7400011 email: pconway@southmayo.com

Training Booking Form

Please complete this form for all training except *Putting the Pieces Together* trainings and DEWF

Participant Information:

Name:

Address:

E-mail address:

Contact Number:

Position

Organisation/Group Details:

Name of Organisation:

Organisation details:

Profile of your target group:

Address:

Contact Details:

Training Course:

Please state the training course you wish to attend:

Date:

Location:

Have you previously completed any drug/alcohol training? Please give details

What do you hope to learn from this training?

Please return booking form to:

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Trainee Booking Form

One Day Training Course on Optimum Use of the Quality Standards

Name: _____

Organisation/Project: _____

Job Title: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Contact Telephone No: _____

Do you have any special dietary or access requirements? _____

Please briefly describe your work and/or responsibilities, in your organisation.

What are your motivations to take part in this course?

Please state briefly how your participation in this training will benefit your work, organisation and the wider-community?

Date: _____

Signed: _____

Line Managers Signature: _____

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Putting the Pieces Together 2- Day Course

Booking Form

Name: _____

Organisation: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Profile of target group: _____

1. Have you attended a drugs/alcohol education programme before? Please circle

YES/NO

If yes, how long ago was this? _____

Have you used this education in your work to-date? _____

Give details _____

2. Why do you want to attend this training?

3. Do you currently carry out drugs/alcohol education?

4. How would you rate you knowledge of drugs (please circle one)

1. None
2. Some
3. A good deal
4. Personal experience/TV documentaries/Own research etc.
5. Extensive other courses completed

5. Do you see any barriers to you being able to carry out drugs/alcohol education after this course? If yes please specify.

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Putting the Pieces Together- Refresher

Booking Form

Name: _____

Organisation: _____

Profile of Target Group: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Have you complete the 2 Day Putting the Pieces Together Course (a requirement for this course)

YES/NO

If yes, how long ago was this? _____

Have you used the manual in your work to-date? _____

Give details _____

What would you like to achieve by attending this refresher course?

Are there any parts of the Putting the Pieces Together manual/course in particular that you would like to see included in the Refresher training? Please give details

Any Additional Comments:

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Putting the Pieces Together- Train the Trainer Training

Booking Form

Name: _____

Organisation: _____

Profile of Target Group: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Have you completed the two-day Putting the Pieces Together Training YES/NO

When and with whom did you do the training? _____

Have you delivered the Putting the Pieces Together Manual YES/NO

Please give details _____

Why do you wish to be trained as a trainer?

Will you be training others in your organisation when you complete this training? Yes/No

Do you agree to comply with the Putting the Pieces Together Guidelines as set down by the Western Region Drugs Task Force? Yes/No

If trained as a trainer you will be requested to inform the WRDTF of the names of those you Train. Are you and your organisation prepared to do so? Yes/No

Comment _____

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Specifically Tailored Training Package

If you wish to request training that is not mentioned in this training calendar for your whole staff team or group, please complete this form and return to the WRDTF. An Education Support Worker from your region will be in touch with you to respond to your request.

Organisation/Group Details:

Name of Organisation:

Services provided by your Organisation:

Profile of Target Group:

Address:

Contact Details:

Contact Person:

Training Request Information:

Target Group/audience:

Size of group:

Details of training requirements:

Desired learning outcomes:

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Venue for training:

Any specific learning requirements:

When would you like this training to take place: (please specify date)

Completed by:

Position:

Date:

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2013 Training Calendar

January	February	March
Training Calendar Circulated	<p>6th Basic Drug Awareness: Loughrea</p> <p>26th Basic Drug Awareness: Roscommon</p> <p>28th Basic Drug Awareness: Oughterard, Co. Galway</p>	<p>6 & 7th : Putting the Pieces Together: Castlebar</p> <p>12th Alcohol Awareness: Galway</p>
April	May	June
<p>11th Responding to Intimidation: Galway</p> <p>16th Alcohol Awareness: Roscommon</p> <p>17th Alcohol Awareness: Ballinasloe</p> <p>18th Alcohol Awareness: Castlebar</p> <p>26th Good Practice in Drug Education- Galway</p> <p>30th Good Practice in Drug Education Castlebar</p>	<p>7th Drug Awareness: Roscommon</p> <p>8th Drug Awareness: Galway</p> <p>10th Developing a Substance Use Policy, Castlebar & Galway City</p> <p>14th New and Emerging Trends: Regional</p> <p>28th Drug/Alcohol Awareness for FRC's and Community Projects</p>	<p>19th Prescription and Over the Counter Medication</p>
July	August	September
<p>18th: Putting the Pieces Together Refresher</p> <p>25th: Basic Drug Awareness, Castlebar</p>	No Training in August	<p>18th DEWF- Quality Standards in Drug Education</p>
October	November	December
<p>2 & 3rd : Putting the Pieces Together – 2 day (Tuam)</p> <p>17th Drug Awareness: Castlebar</p> <p>17th Drug Awareness: Galway</p>	<p>6th PTPT Train the Trainer- Galway</p> <p>12th Drug and Sexual Health Awareness: Galway</p>	<p>6th Developing a Substance Use Policy: Roscommon</p>



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