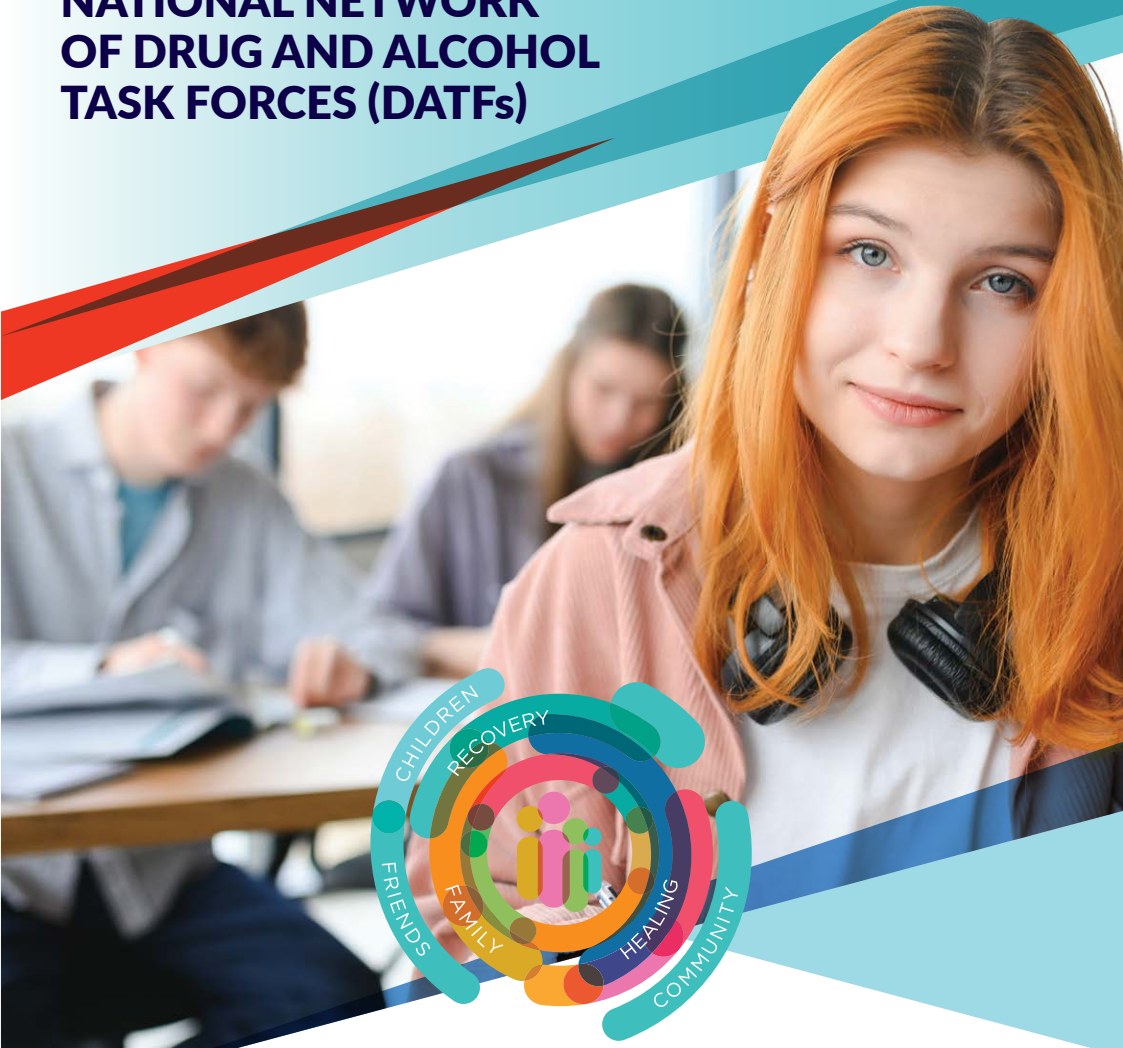


Information for Schools

to assist in a health-led response to drug and alcohol use by young people from the

NATIONAL NETWORK OF DRUG AND ALCOHOL TASK FORCES (DATFs)



Reducing Harm, Supporting Recovery

A health-led response to drug and alcohol use in Ireland 2017-2025



Rialtas na hÉireann
Government of Ireland

Information for Schools

This resource provides information on the supports that DATFs offer to schools, parents and students on drug and alcohol use. DATFs offer various levels of support for schools in respect of substance use education. Schools can avail of these supports, provided they follow the provisions of the Department of Education and Youth circulars 0042/2018 and 0043/2018 on the use of external facilitators.

The levels of support depends on the needs of young people in your school. Support ranges from low intensity information leaflets and web links to high intensity bespoke training and in-school workshops for parents. Direct contact can be made by your school with the relevant DATF to establish the level and type of support that can be made available. A summary of the ranges of support options is presented below.





Other Key Resources for Schools and Parents



Know the Score – An alcohol and drugs resource for Senior Cycle students

Know the Score is the first national evidence-based resource on alcohol and drugs for senior cycle students (15 to 18 years old), and is developed in partnership between public health and education professionals. The resource engages young people in topics including exploring risks associated with alcohol and drugs. It includes teachers manuals, videos and other resources. Visit the website for more information www.hse.ie/knowthescore

Alcohol and Drugs: A Parent's Guide

Evidence-based resource offers practical advice to help parents engage with teenagers about alcohol & drugs www2.hse.ie/living-well/alcohol/information-parents/

Department of Education and Youth Circulars 0042/2018 & 0043/2018

Best practice guidance for primary and post-primary schools in the use of programmes and/or external facilitators in promoting wellbeing consistent with the Department's Wellbeing Policy Statement and Framework for Practice.

<https://circulars.gov.ie/pdf/circular/education/2018/43.pdf>

<https://circulars.gov.ie/pdf/circular/education/2018/42.pdf>

Drugs.ie website: National information resource on drugs and alcohol

HSE-managed website providing information on drugs and services for anyone who needs it including schools, parents and young people available at www.drugs.ie

HSE National Drug and Alcohol Helpline

HSE helpline that provides information, advice and signposting in relation to drugs and alcohol. **Call 1800 459 459 or email helpline@hse.ie**

European best practice in prevention and education in schools

This policy and practice briefing provides an overview of the key issues, response options, evidence and implications for policy and practice in European countries.

www.euda.europa.eu/publications/manuals/european-prevention-curriculum_en



REGIONAL AND LOCAL DRUG AND ALCOHOL TASK FORCE CONTACTS



DUBLIN SOUTH:	Contact	Website
Ballyfermot Local Drug and Alcohol Task Force	T: 087 148 6080	www.ballyfermotldatf.ie
Canal Communities Local Drug and Alcohol Task Force	T: 086 384 5542	www.ccldatf.ie
Clondalkin Drug and Alcohol Task Force	T: 01 457 9445	www.clondalkindrugtaskforce.ie
Dublin 12 Local Drugs and Alcohol Task Force	T: 07669 55657	www.dublin12ldatf.ie
Dun Laoghaire Rathdown Drugs Taskforce	T: 086 107 1747	www.dlrdatf.ie
South Inner City Drug and Alcohol Task Force	E: sicdatf@gmail.com	www.facebook.com/sicdatf
Tallaght Drugs and Alcohol Task Force	T: 087 239 5581	www.tallaghtdatf.ie
DUBLIN NORTH:		
Ballymun Local Drugs Taskforce	T: 01 883 2142	www.ballymunlocaldrugtaskforce.ie
Blanchardstown Local Drug and Alcohol Task Force	T: 01 824 9590	www.blanchardstowndrugtaskforce.ie
Dublin North East Drugs and Alcohol Task Force	T: 087 720 9767	www.dnetaskforce.ie
Finglas/Cabra Local Drug and Alcohol Task Force	T: 01 830 7440	www.finglascabraldtf.ie
North Dublin Regional Drug and Alcohol Task Force	T: 01 223 3493	www.ndublinrdtf.ie
North Inner City Drugs and Alcohol Task Force	T: 087 175 2121	www.nicdatf.ie
SOUTH WESTERN: Kildare, West Wicklow		
South Western Regional Drugs and Alcohol Task Force	T: 045 875111	www.surfonline.ie
EAST COAST: East Wicklow, Sth East Dublin		
East Coast Regional Drug and Alcohol Task Force	T: 01 2744132	www.ecrdatf.ie
Bray Local Drug and Alcohol Task Force	E: brayldtf@gmail.com	www.braytaskforce.com
MIDLANDS: Laois, Longford, Offaly and Westmeath		
Midland Regional Drug and Alcohol Task Force	T: 090 648 3108	www.mrdatf.ie
WESTERN: Galway, Mayo and Roscommon		
Western Region Drugs and Alcohol Task Force	T: 091 480 044	www.wrdatf.ie
MID-WESTERN: Clare, Limerick, Limerick City and Tipperary North		
Mid-West Regional Drugs and Alcohol Forum	T: 061 607 242	www.mwrdf.ie
NORTH EAST: Cavan, Louth, Meath and Monaghan		
North Eastern Regional Drug and Alcohol Task Force	T: 087 122 7087	www.nedrugtaskforce.ie
NORTH WEST: Donegal, Leitrim and Sligo		
Northwest Regional Drug and Alcohol Task Force	T: 087 0007727	www.nwdrugtaskforce.ie
SOUTH EASTERN: Carlow, Kilkenny, Tipperary Sth, Waterford, Wexford		
South East Regional Drug and Alcohol Task Force	T: 051 848863	www.serdatf.ie
SOUTHERN: Cork and Kerry		
Southern Regional Drug and Alcohol Task Force	T: 021 493 0100	www.srdatf.ie
Cork Local Drug and Alcohol Task Force	T: 021 493 0100	www.corkdrugandalcohol.ie

Please Note that not all Task Forces can offer all services