

# With You in Wigan & Leigh

## Drug Related Deaths & Non-Fatal Overdoses

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Leigh – Kennedy House, Brunswick Street

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# Key Priorities

- Ensuring service users are provided with rapid access to OST
- Supporting our service users to remain on OST through dose optimisation & community clinics
- Harm Reduction and access to NSP
- Naloxone & peer distribution
- Segmentation
- Hospital Liaison
- Outreach
- Incident reviews and embedding learnings

# Access to OST

- Optimal doses of OST to encourage retention and engagement in treatment and reduce illicit use.
- Optimising treatment is the union of effective, targeted psychosocial interventions with optimal doses of OST that allow a client work towards the goals described in their care plan.
- Daily restart appointments are available across the borough
- Community prescribing clinics ensure our service users can be seen at a venue closer to their home or within their hostel

# Harm Reduction

- Access to NSP in service and throughout the borough in pharmacies
- Mobile NSP through our dedicated outreach team
- NSP vending machines in 3 of our local hostels
- Encouraging peer distribution and ensuring we ask if people have enough equipment
- Wound care pathway and training for our teams
- Modified Health & Wellbeing assessments for all service users to assist recognition of late presentations for cancer and other diseases
- BBV clinics and access to onsite hep C treatment

# Naloxone



- Warriors of Wigan Naloxone Peers have issued hundreds of kits to service users, families and carers, members of the public and a range of professionals across the borough
- All staff and volunteers are trained in the administration of naloxone
- Outreach team carrying naloxone and ensuring anyone they make contact with can be trained and issued with their own take home supply

# Segmentation – Key Concepts, Values and Principles



# Hospital Liaison

- Dedicated hospital liaison worker to support hospital inpatients and A&E attendees into treatment
- Harm reduction, overdose prevention advice & assessments available on the wards
- Ensuring Naloxone is issued to at risk service users immediately after hospital discharge
- Signposting to appropriate agencies
- Stronger together communities

# Incident Reviews

- Weekly incident reviews
- Review of non-fatal overdoses to inform safety plans for service users
- Monthly Death Review meetings to identify any learnings or recommendations
- Incidents scoring over 10 (all death reviews) are reviewed by the Organisational CIRG for any wider learnings which are then cascaded appropriately
- Development of our well attended multi-agency drug related deaths panel
- Ensuring feedback and learnings are shared within our team and the wider organisation