

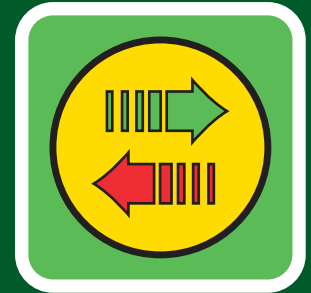


Northern Ireland Needle and Syringe
Exchange Service Conference:

Enhancing Needle Exchange

Wednesday 2nd October 2024 | 9.30 am - 4.00 pm

Dunsilly Hotel, 20 Dunsilly Road, Antrim BT41 2JH



Programme

9.30	Tea/coffee and registration
10.00	Welcome Kevin Bailey, <i>PHA Regional Lead, Substance Use Team, Conference Chair</i>
10.05	Opening remarks
10.15	Strategic context in Northern Ireland Kevin Bailey
10.30	Needle exchange in Northern Ireland now and the future Adele Dunn
10.45	Pharmacy needle exchange provision Dr Jenny Scott
11.15	Coffee
11.45	Parallel sessions Peer Involvement and distribution in NSES Jessica Murray Injecting related injuries and wound care Dr Jeannie Donnelly
12.45	Lunch
1.45	Injecting Equipment Provision and WAND Initiative, Glasgow John Campbell
2.15	Hepatitis C and HIV; two very different epidemics Andrew Preston
2.45	Involving people who use drugs in service provision Lynn Jeffreys
3.30	Plenary and closing remarks

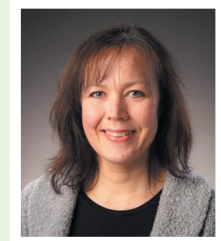


Speakers

Dr Jenny Scott

Senior Lecturer (Pharmacist), University of Bristol

Dr Jenny Scott is an academic pharmacist, whose research is focused on developing harm reduction interventions. She is also a pharmacist prescriber working within a drug and alcohol treatment service. She was a member of the UK Drug Misuse and Dependence Clinical Guidelines (2017) working group

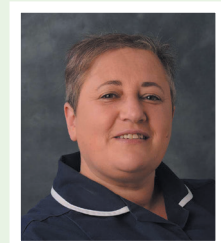


Dr Jeannie Donnelly

Lead Nurse Tissue viability, Belfast Health and Social Care Trust and Senior Lecturer School of Nursing, Queens University

Jeannie qualified as a Registered Nurse in Belfast in 1988 and is Vice Chair of the Society of Tissue Viability. In 1996, Jeannie became the first Tissue Viability Nurse on the island of Ireland, and in 2010, the Lead Nurse for Tissue Viability within the Belfast Health and Social Care Trust.

Jeannie has taught within the School of Nursing, Queens University Belfast for over 15 years. She is very proud to be part of the university team, which successfully developed an NMC approved Tissue Viability Nurse Specialist Course in 2018. Jeannie is dedicated to pursuing excellence in the delivery of safe and effective care and is passionate about improving patient and client experience.



John Campbell

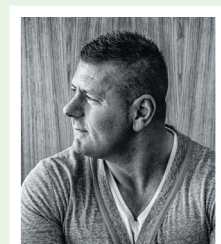
Injecting Equipment Provision Manager, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde

John Campbell has 30 years' experience working within the harm reduction field in the UK and Europe. In his current role, he manages the Injecting Equipment Provision Programme (IEP) programme across 90 outlets.

His particular area of interest surrounds all aspects of injecting drug use.

He developed and implemented key harm reduction initiatives such as the WAND initiative, Accuvein (advanced vein finder), Glasgow's Image and Performance Enhancing Drugs Clinic and more recently the introduction of the city's first outdoor accessible sharps bin.

John is a member of the ACMD Technical Committee.



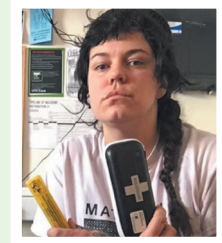


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Lynn Jeffreys

Director of Operations, European Network of People who Use Drugs (EuroNPUD)

Lynn is an independent harm reduction consultant and current Director of Operations with the European Network of People who Use Drugs (EuroNPUD). They are originally from the unceded territory of the Syilx nation and worked and lived on Coast Salish Territory, Vancouver, BC, Canada for 15 years before relocating to Dublin, Ireland. They have been involved in community activism since 2004 and worked in harm reduction since 2009, with a specific focus on advocacy for people who use drugs beginning in 2020. They have special interest in drug checking, labour rights for people who use drugs, the regulated safe supply of drugs, community led organising and connecting street level activist groups to regional policy making platforms. They currently hold a post graduate diploma in Substance Use from Queen's University Belfast.



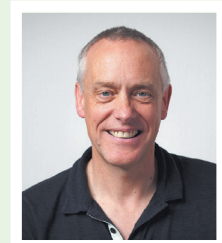
Andrew Preston

Exchange Supplies

Andrew Preston has been working in harm reduction for over 30 years. Starting with a decade of clinical practice as a community drug worker delivering OST and needle exchange, during which time he wrote resources such as 'The Methadone Handbook' and 'The Safer Injecting Briefing'.

He founded Social Enterprise Exchange Supplies to develop equipment to improve harm reduction by better serving the needs of people who inject drugs, starting with products that were classed as 'paraphernalia' and illegal to distribute. In 2007 they developed the world's first syringes with coloured plungers to reduce accidental receptive sharing, and in 2013 made the world's first affordable low dead space detachable needles to reduce the risk of HIV and hepatitis C transmission.

In addition to developing products and educational resources, Exchange Supplies employs people who inject drugs, and provides on-site peer delivered needle and syringe programme for their local community.



Speakers also include members of the PHA Health Improvement Substance Use Team as follows:

Kevin Bailey, *Regional Lead for Substance Use*

Adele Dunn, *Regional Lead for the Needle and Syringe Exchange Service*

Jessica Murray, *Engagement and Involvement Lead*