

Title: Drug Awareness

Aims: To develop participants awareness in recognizing illicit drug types and associated behaviours

Objectives: Understand the signs and symptoms of drug types
Recognise the different drugs
Explore drug legislation
Examine drug placebos and paraphernalia

Target Audience:

This course is designed for anyone who may encounter illicit drugs in their working environment. It will increase participants awareness and confidence levels and enable them to more effectively intervene and respond to illicit drug use situations at work.

Course content

- Introductions
- Understanding illicit drugs
- Signs and Symptoms of drug use
- Psychology of addiction
- Legislation
- Paraphernalia
- Risk assessments and Health and Safety
- Talking to someone in a drug state
- Placebos
- Statistical facts on drug use – from British Crime Survey / Home Office
- Responding to addiction
- Evaluations and endings

Commentary

The course covers basic drug awareness, and explores drug paraphernalia and placebos. Candidates will be able to examine a range of common illicit drugs and look at home office figures on drug use nationally in order to explore the scope of the problem.