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The Institute of Public Care (IPC) at Oxford Brookes University is conducting an independent consultation for Birmingham Drug and Alcohol Team to explore views from stakeholders on thecurrent substance misuse treatment system in Birmingham.

We would like you to complete the following survey which should take around 20 minutes.

We are looking for your views on four overarching areas: **prevention, engagement, treatment and recovery**.

Do opt out of any question that is not relevant to you. Your responses will be strictly confidential, with no individual names or identifying characteristics appearing in any of the reports.

If you have any questions about this project, please contact: or Max Vaughan (Substance Misuse Commissioning Manager, Birmingham DAAT) at max.vaughan1@nhs.net or Dr Kam Dhillon Assistant Director at kdhillon@brookes.ac.uk.

# About you

**Please tick one or more of the boxes below that describes your stakeholder area:**

* Person with substance misuse problem (not using services)
* Substance misuse service user
* Carer or family member / significant otherof person with substance misuse problem
* Primary care worker including GPs and GPSI
* General hospital worker
* Mental health worker
* Drugs worker
* Alcohol worker
* Housing and homelessness work
* Criminal justice work including prisons, pro
* Children and young people work
* Women’s organisation
* Black and minority ethnic organisation
* Service commissioner
* Birmingham City Council
* Senior manager of substance misuse service provider organisation
* Practice service manager
* Other ... please state in box below.

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# PREVENTION – please tick below and explain

**a. In general people in Birmingham are being helped effectively and at the right time to avoid getting a more serious substance misuse or closely related problem in their future.**

* Strongly agree
* Agree
* Agree somewhat
* Undecided
* Disagree somewhat
* Disagree
* Strongly disagree

Please explain your answer below describing examples of ‘prevention’ that are working well and also where further improvements you think can be made.

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**b. Do you think in general substance misuse ‘prevention’ services reach the right people?**

* Yes, about right
* No
* Don’t know

Please explain your answer below, describing who is being targeted effectively and who needs to be targeted better.

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# ENGAGEMENT – please tick below and explain

1. **In general people are being helped effectively to engage with substance misuse services and then make good use of them.**

* Strongly agree
* Agree
* Agree somewhat
* Undecided
* Disagree somewhat
* Disagree
* Strongly disagree

Please explain below your answer describing examples of good quality service engagement and also how engagement could be further improved.

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**b. Do you think most groups of people who have substance misuse problems get to access services in Birmingham?**

* Yes, most of them
* No
* Don’t know

Please explain below which groups achieve good access. Also, tell us below who gets left behind and what should be done to help them engage.

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# TREATMENT SERVICES– please tick below and explain

**In Birmingham there are a range of services available for people with substance misuse problems. These include, for example, medical services based at GPs and hospitals, counselling from various community-based settings, supported recovery oriented services including return to work and improved housing.**

a. In general the balance between the different types of substance misuse services available in Birmingham is about right.

* Strongly agree
* Agree
* Agree somewhat
* Undecided
* Disagree somewhat
* Disagree
* Strongly disagree

Please explain below and describe what critical components for good treatment you notice are currently present and tell us about any significant gaps?

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**b. Please give your top three areas, in priority, that need to be changed in designing the new treatment system.**

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# RECOVERY – please tick below and explain

The national drug and alcohol strategies say that **‘recovery’** should be the bedrock aim of services.

**a. In general Birmingham's substance misuse treatment system works effectively on the recovery agenda.**

* Strongly agree
* Agree
* Agree somewhat
* Undecided
* Disagree somewhat
* Disagree
* Strongly disagree

Please explain your answer, describe examples of good practice that supports recovery and also tell us about the areas that need improving to make recovery a stronger reality.

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**b. In general there is effective service user involvement in substance misuse service delivery in Birmingham.**

* Strongly agree
* Agree
* Agree somewhat
* Undecided
* Disagree somewhat
* Disagree
* Strongly disagree

Please explain your answer, describe examples of good practice and how improvements could be made.

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# Anything else?

Is there anything else you would like to tell us that is relevant to this consultation? If so, please describe below.

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# CONSENT FOR TAKING PART IN AN INTERVIEW OR FOCUS GROUP MEETING

**Would you be willing to take part in a confidential interview or focus group meeting conducted by an IPC researcher to discuss the above questions in further detail?** (please tick)

**One to one interview:**

* Yes
* No

**Focus group for people with similar substance misuse service improvement interests:**

* Yes
* No

If you have ticked ‘yes’ to either of the above please provide your contact details:

Full name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Job title:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Once all survey responses have been received by IPC an interview and focus group sample will be established. Then, it is possible that you may be contacted by an IPC researcher.

**Thanks you very much indeed for contributing your thinking to this consultation.**