



SERVICE DESCRIPTION: Drug (Opiates) Service

The Drug (Opiates) Service offers assessment, support and interventions to people using any opiate drug. There are naturally occurring opiates like heroin and morphine and synthetic (man-made) opiates like methadone and buprenorphine.

ADDRESS: Fitzwilliam Centre, 143-145 Fitzwilliam Street, Sheffield S1 4JP

DIRECTORATE: Specialist Directorate

DATE: October 2015

1. ELIGIBILITY

The selection criteria for the above Service are applicable to:

- All adults irrespective of gender, age (18 years of age or over), ethnicity, sexuality, culture or physical abilities;
- Individuals requiring **assessment** of problematic drug use (Opiate or Crack use) should be referred by a professional (GP, pharmacist, police, probation etc) to SPAR (**Single Point of Access and Referral**);
- Individuals requiring treatment within secondary care (as determined at SPAR assessment) will be treated within this service;
- Interventions include:
 - Comprehensive assessment taking into account all health and social care needs;
 - Structured multidisciplinary support (doctors, nurses, social workers and drug workers);
 - Substitute prescribing;
 - Community or inpatient detoxification options;
 - Relapse prevention medication and support;
 - Assessment for residential rehabilitation options;
 - Facilitated access to mutual aid groups.

2. THE REFERRAL PROCESS

Individuals can self-refer either by telephoning for an appointment or by drop-in to the Fitzwilliam Centre. Individuals who self-refer by drop-in will be assessed then and there. A referral can be made by any professional to the SPAR service (Single Point of Access).

3. GEOGRAPHICAL POPULATION COVERED

- The registered populations of NHS Sheffield Clinical Commissioning Group;
- People without settled accommodation who are resident in Sheffield.