

BRIEFING

NEW APPROACH TO DRUGS RECOVERY PILOTED IN OXFORDSHIRE

Eight areas in England will test innovative new ways to help drug addicts recover and achieve a sustained recovery, Public Health Minister Anne Milton announced on Friday 8th April.

The areas have been selected following a competition to pilot a Payment by Results (PbR) scheme set out in the new Drugs Strategy 2010. It demonstrates the Government's commitment to go further, faster on improving the recovery of adults by incentivising the system around outcomes.

This will mean that providers will no longer be paid simply on activity but on the outcomes they achieve - such as being free of dependence or back in work. This will mean a renewed focus on giving clients the support they need to tackle the very individual problems they face in integrating more fully in society.

The pilot sites will now start work on designing systems that reward providers who support individuals to recover from their dependence by using clear outcomes for the individual, their families and communities.

The successful pilot sites which have been invited to pilot the scheme are: Bracknell Forest, Enfield, Kent, Lincolnshire, Oxfordshire, Stockport, Wakefield and Wigan.

Each of the successful areas put forward innovative ideas for new payment models

for drugs recovery that will take forward the PbR approach.

Later this month the successful pilot sites will start work with the cross government PbR drug recovery project team to begin co-designing the detail of the pilots, with the aim that they are up and running from October 2011.

In Oxfordshire there will be a variety of events held throughout the next twelve months to engage with providers, practitioners, service users and stakeholders.

If you would like any further information please e mail reception@oxfordshiredaat.org or telephone 01865 290800

Upcoming events

Drug and Alcohol practitioner event
Monday 9th May 9.30-10.30am at the:-
Asian Cultural Centre, Manzil way, Oxford

Oxfordshire Stakeholder event Monday
23rd May 9.30-10.30am at the:-
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