

# ELL2-04-05(p.1) Annex B2

	<b>Family Support Services</b>	
<p><b>Aim</b></p> <p>To promote the health, safety and wellbeing of the children of substance misusing parents</p>	<p><b>Objective</b></p> <p>To put in place effective arrangements across Wales to ensure linkage between planning arrangements for substance misuse and services for children.</p> <p>To enhance communication and multi agency working across Wales in the delivery of direct services relating to substance misuse and childrens services</p> <p>To raise awareness of interventions that address the health and welfare needs of both Parent and Child</p> <p>5,6,7,16,17,19,20,21,23,24,25,29,30,31,32,34</p>	<p><b>Action</b></p> <p>To develop and implement protocols on liaison and joint membership of Area Child Protection Committees, Community Safety Partnerships and Local Substance Misuse Action Teams</p> <p>To review ,develop and implement guidance as necessary on multi agency and multi disciplinary working for substance misuse and childrens services</p> <p>To identify and disseminate best working practice that reflects and balances the treatment needs of parents and the wider needs of the child</p>
	<b>Health</b>	

<p><b>Aim</b></p> <p>To improve Health outcomes for substance misusing women, their partners and children</p>	<p><b>Objective</b></p> <p>To have in place interventions that further enhance health interventions provided to substance misusing parents</p> <p>13,14,15,18,26</p>	<p><b>Action</b></p> <p>To develop national guidelines for antenatal care family planning services and maternity units for working with pregnant problem substance misusers, their partners and newborn babies.</p>
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<b>Training and Awareness Raising</b>		
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<p><b>Aim</b></p> <p>Ensure that the health and social care workforce is better equipped to understand and respond to the needs of substance misusers and their children</p>	<p><b>Objective</b></p> <p>To improve knowledge, skills and competency of the workforce in both understanding the needs, assessing for and delivering the services that could be provided to substance misusing parents and their children</p> <p>1,2,</p>	<p><b>Action</b></p> <p>To establish an all Wales network and collaborative centre for the promotion of excellence for education, training and development in substance misuse.</p> <p>To deliver and coordinate the delivery of training programmes at both a strategic and front line level that meet the training needs of the workforce and reflect the strategic aims as developed by the Welsh Assembly Government and its partners</p>
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<b>Criminal Justice</b>		
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Aim	Objective	Action
<p>To ensure that where possible the outcomes for substance misusers subject to the criminal justice system have regard their parenting role</p>	<p>To raise awareness within the criminal justice system of the impact of the system on the children of substance misusers who are within the system</p> <p>8,9,10,11,12,33</p>	<p>Develop a crime prevention strategy to respond to the needs of the next generation of drug users.</p> <p>To clarify policy on the exercise of discretion in enforcement and prosecution for possession of illegal drugs distinguishing between possession and possession with intent to supply.</p> <p>To Issue a description of the Throughcare and Aftercare service and the Drugs Intervention Programme.</p> <p>To establish what quality and standard of throughcare and aftercare is available to Welsh female prisoners in English prisons.</p> <p>To support the provision of guidance on court reports on identifying the needs of dependent children, detailing the implications of custodial sentences and the consideration of alternative constraints to allow female offenders to stay in the community.</p> <p>To support the configuration of the messages of Hidden Harm into the "Pathways for drugs and alcohol" and "child and families pathway" of the "Reducing Reoffending National Action Plan"</p>

		Seek clarification from the Chief Constables of the action taken within the criminal justice system when a child discloses the uses of illegal drugs by his or herself or a carer
	<b>Data collection</b>	
<b>Aim</b>  To enhance the relevance of policy development and implementation by informing the process with relevant quantitative data	<b>Objective</b>  To improve knowledge of the extent of substance misuse amongst parents and to assist in planning family interventions and service delivery  4,27,28	<b>Action</b>  To produce national guidelines for data collection relating to children which will include a minimum data set.  To support action to encourage the collection of data on children in all settings.