



Team Structure

There is an elected Chair, Vice-Chair and dedicated staff to develop the work of NDACT.



Who is represented on the Team?

Voluntary & Community Sector

Northern Health & Social Services Board

Causeway Health & Social Services Trust

Homefirst Health & Social Services Trust

Police Service of Northern Ireland

Probation Board for Northern Ireland

North Eastern Education & Library Board

Southern Education & Library Board

Northern Ireland Housing Executive

Northern Investing for Health Partnership

Community Pharmacy



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“Co-ordinating action through Partnership within the Northern Health & Social Services Board area”





What is the Northern Drugs & Alcohol Co-Ordination Team?

The Northern Drugs & Alcohol Co-Ordination Team (NDACT) is a multi-agency, cross-sectoral partnership set up to implement the Northern Ireland Drug and Alcohol Strategies at a local level.

The Team reflects the Northern Health & Social Services Board (NHSSB) area which includes ten district council areas, namely:

Antrim, Ballymena, Ballymoney, Carrickfergus, Coleraine, Cookstown, Larne, Magherafelt, Moyle and Newtownabbey.

NDACT is hosted and facilitated by the NHSSB.



Background to NDACT

The Northern Drugs Co-Ordination Team was established in 1996 as part of the Northern Ireland Drugs Campaign. At that time the Team's remit was to address drug problems at a local level.

However, in May 2001, the Drug Strategy for Northern Ireland and the Strategy for Reducing Alcohol Related Harm were brought together within a Joint Implementation Model and the role of the Team was extended to include alcohol. The Team then became the Northern Drugs & Alcohol Co-Ordination Team.



What does NDACT do?

- ✓ Delivery of the Drug and Alcohol Strategies in the Northern Board area
- ✓ Assesses need locally (identifying gaps and duplication)
- ✓ Develops and implements an Action Plan for the Northern Board area
- ✓ Promotes local co-ordination and partnership
- ✓ Supports and consults local inter-agency networks and forums
- ✓ Supports local projects through a Small Grants Scheme

- ✓ Promotes information exchange and best practice
- ✓ Develops and provides training
- ✓ Develops local research
- ✓ Monitors and evaluates funded projects
- ✓ Advises on the Northern Ireland Drug & Alcohol Campaign budget
- ✓ Promotes Section 75 and Targeting Social Need



What NDACT does not do!

- ✗ Commission or provide services
- ✗ Oversee other agencies and organisations
- ✗ Impose their will on communities or other agencies
- ✗ Work from the "top-down"
- ✗ Believe that they know it all
- ✗ Provide answers on all occasions
- ✗ Provide resources / funding on every occasion