Recognising & Responding to Amphetamine Intoxication/Toxicity and Opioid Overdose

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We would like to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which this training takes place, and pay our respects to Elders past, present and future.
• Increasing requests since 2010 for training on methamphetamine related issues
• Opioid overdose rates also steadily increasing
• Limited Australian based audio-visual/print resources that addressed methamphetamine intoxication/toxicity and none that included opioid overdose, in the same resource
• Initially 4 opioid/methamphetamine clips
• Opportunity arose to expand the resource to 6 clips
• Scenarios largely informed by consumer feedback
• The new Recognise and Respond package (R&R) includes the following...
1. Trainers Guide
2. Trainer PowerPoints
3. Audio-visual clips (opioid and amphetamine)
4. Harm reduction tip sheets for workers
5. Fold out z-cards for clients
6. Naloxone brief education tool
The package has been designed for ‘frontline workers’ who regularly come in contact with clients who are experiencing issues related to methamphetamine intoxication/toxicity or opioid overdose.

Frontline workers include: AOD workers, MH professionals, hospital staff, police, justice workers, child protection workers, rangers, community service workers etc...
Recognise & Respond Training across WA in 2017/18

Over 1200 frontline workers trained (since Aug 2016)

21 regional centres

63 training events

- Kununurra, Wyndham, Derby, Broome
- Geraldton, Karratha, Carnarvon, Port Hedland, South Hedland, Newman
- Albany, Bunbury, Busselton, Dunsborough
- Kalgoorlie, Esperance, Lake Grace, Southern Cross
- Northam, Narrogin, Perth
R&R evaluation stats 2017/18

- Knowledge: 86.08%
- Usefulness: 88.65%
- Competence: 75.10%
- Confidence: 75.32%
Recognise and Respond A/V Clips

- 6 audio-visual clips comprised of 5 methamphetamine scenarios and 1 opioid montage clip (45 minutes of footage total)
- Aboriginal Alcohol and Other Drug Programs were consulted to ensure cultural security of the resource
- Aim is to show realistic depictions of methamphetamine/opioid issues and best practice responses from a frontline worker perspective
- The clips are supported by a trainers guide that ‘unpacks’ and offers harm reduction strategies for each scenario
Trailer
Thank you

Questions?

For more information about the new R&R package, please email AOD.Training@mhc.wa.gov.au