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1 Unit Details

Unit Title:	Principles of Tackling Substance Misuse
QAC Code:	A/506/9899
Level:	Level 3
Credit Value:	6
Minimum GLH:	42

2 Learning Outcomes and Criteria

Learning Outcome (The Learner will):	Assessment Criterion (The Learner can):
1. Understand substances, their use and effects.	1.1 Summarise a wide range of substances and methods of taking them.
	1.2 Explain the likely effects and associated risks of drug use in individual cases.
2. Understand current relevant legislation and local and national strategies for delivery of services for substance users	2.1 Explain current legislation and its impact on drug users and workers and services, including those within own organisation.
	2.2 Evaluate national and local strategies underpinning the delivery of services for substance users
3. Understand the tiers of treatment provision.	3.1 Explain, using examples, the tiers of treatment.
	3.2 Explain how tiers of treatment relate to the levels of assessment.
	3.3 Explain the roles of workers within each tier and their contribution to the overall package of care, using examples from own organisation.
4. Understand the modalities of treatment.	4.1 Evaluate the effectiveness of specialist treatment modalities, taking into consideration the needs of special groups.

5. Understand the role of prevention as a health promotion approach	5.1 Summarise the principles of primary, secondary and tertiary prevention.
	5.2 Explain the role of prevention as a health promotion approach, giving examples within each of the tiers of service.
6. Understand the need to promote diversity, equality and the rights of service users	6.1 Analyse attitudes to different groups in society and predict how these attitudes might affect the quality of services.
	6.2 Summarise a range of actions that services and individual workers can take to promote diversity, equality and the rights of service users
	6.3 Explain the relevant importance of confidentiality and information sharing in providing services to substance users
7. Understand how to promote choice, well-being and protection of substance users.	7.1 Explain how to maintain relationships that support service users in expressing their views and preferences about their current and future health and well-being.
	7.2 Explain how to support service users in communicating their views and preferences.
8. Be able to monitor, maintain and promote health and safety in the working environment.	8.1 Summarise current national and European health and safety legislation.
	8.2 Explain the importance of adhering to own organisation's health and safety procedures.
	8.3 Implement a risk assessment in own working environment.
	8.4 Explain how to adhere to legal and organisational requirements relating to hazardous materials and waste.
	8.5 Demonstrate correct completion of health and safety records.