**What is the change?**

It is important that before or in parallel to attending IPSU Training & Guidance you complete the following emodules from the SDF (Scottish Drug Forum)

* Drug Awareness
* Blood Borne Viruses
* Overdose & Naloxone

<https://www.sdftraining.org.uk/e-learning>

Attend the Everyone has a story: Children living with Parental Substance Use training. The dates are 22nd

& 23rd Nov. 2022 or 17th & 18th Jan.2023

Click on the link in attached Pdfs to

Register

**An Introduction to IPSU**



**The overall Aim for**

**Conducting an IPSU**

Assessment such as IPSU can support practitioners in identifying and responding to the range of strengths, protective factors, adversities, and risks that were not recognised.

**Child**

**Centred**

**Practice**

The wellbeing and protection of children is paramount for all professionals, It is therefore **the responsibility of all adult focussed substance use services and all partner agencies to be aware of the children of alcohol or drug using parents** and to identify potential or obvious concerns relating to the child’s welfare or protection.

**IPSU Training Pathway Guidance**

The impact of parental substance use on children is complex and challenging to identify and respond to, and each child in a family may be impacted differently. A range of services will be required to work together to develop coordinated responses and support for whole families.

**01**

**02**

The focus should be on daily lives and the care of children and how substance use and related issues affects their well-being and development.

Often families experience several interrelated issues, including domestic abuse and mental health issues, alongside histories of abuse and other traumas, and for some families, these issues may also be intergenerational. Any assessment must keep in mind the relationships between these issues and how they change over time, including where parents are in recovery from substance use.

**Intersections**

**03**

**IPSU**

**Assessment**

The IPSU assessment aims to aid understanding of the impacts of parental substance use and respond with timely and appropriate interventions to support children and their families at an early stage.

**07**

“It is everyone’s job to make sure that children and young people are alright.”

IPSU (Impact of Parental Substance Use) Assessment

**Focus on Child**

**Development**

**06**

**05**

**04**

**IPSU (Impact of Parental Substance Use)**

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