DRUG & ALCOHOLCLINICAL ADVISORY SERVICE

Clinical advice for health professionals on all issues relating to patient management of alcohol and other drug use

The Drug and Alcohol Clinical Advisory Service (DACAS) is a specialist telephone consultancy service that provides clinical advice on all issues relating to patient management of alcohol and other drug (AOD) use.

This service is provided by experienced addiction medicine specialists.

Call us on **6553 0520**

Operating hours: 08:00 to 20:00, Monday to Friday*

Access to the Drug and Alcohol Clinical Advisory Service line

The service is available to all health professionals in Western Australia including GPs, public and private hospital emergency physicians and other health professionals.

Information provided

- · Clinical advice on AOD patient management within a general practice or hospital setting.
- Management of withdrawal syndromes and intoxication. Appropriate substance detoxification advice.
- · Management of medical, pain and psychiatric complications associated with AOD use.
- Drug interaction information relating to substances of abuse.
- · Community treatment referral guidance.

The DACAS service provides expert advice to assist in the management of AOD clients. However, the responsibility for clinical decisions about a client's treatment rests with the treating medical team.

For more information visit mhc.wa.gov.au/DACAS

For **anyone** concerned about their own or another person's alcohol or drug use they can be referred to the Alcohol and Drug Support Line 24 hours a day on 9442 5000 or 1800 198 024 (country callers).

* If a call is received after hours, the caller will have the option of leaving a message. The call will be returned on the next business day.



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