

Guidance for drug and alcohol support groups and treatment programmes

This guidance supports the safe resumption of drug and alcohol services under the national framework for living with Covid-19.



People

living with drug and alcohol addiction are at higher risk from Covid-19



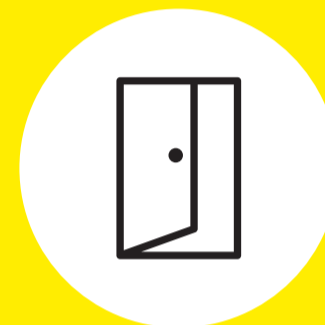
Hold

support meetings on-line or outdoors where possible



Support

groups and treatment programmes are high risk settings when the incidence of Covid-19 is widespread in the community



Venues

should be airy and well ventilated



Maximum

number of attendees is 15 people (including leaders), subject to 2 metres social distancing per person



Face

coverings should be worn at all times



Support

groups should last a maximum of 90 minutes or shorter when the risk of transmission is high



Attend

only one support group or programme

The full version of the guidance can be downloaded at www.gov.ie/en/policy-information/17d32f-drugs-and-alcohol-policy/

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