



- A territory-wide crisis accommodation service for hidden young ketamine abusers and their families
  - To bridge the gap between treatment and rehabilitation for abstinence from ketamine use



- Nature
  - A five days' in-patient program
  - A collaboration service between hospital and non-government organizations (NGOs)



- Focus
  - Personal awareness
    - health, functional, daily life and life role performance crises
  - Personal preparedness
    - abstinence from ketamine use
    - relapse prevention



- Objectives
  - 1. Assessment and treatment for the health and functional problems associated with ketamine use
  - 2. Coaching for enhancement of engagement and building of preparedness for longer term rehabilitation
    - · motivation and readiness
    - relapse prevention
  - 3. Establishment of a collaboration service model for the treatment and rehabilitation of ketamine abusers
    - · between hospital and NGOs
    - for effective communication, service collaboration, interfacing, co-ordination and continuity of ketamine abusers' engagement in rehabilitation









- Evaluation methods
  - Registration and treatment records
  - Questionnaires (Pre- and post-test comparisons)



- Output and outcome benchmarks (1)
  - Output indicators
    - Number of medical consultations provided to ketamine abusers
    - Number of parents, family members and social workers engaged to assist the ketamine users
    - Number of ketamine abusers recruited and served



- Output and outcome benchmarks (2)
  - Outcome indicators
    - Improvement in treatment motivation
    - Reduction in ketamine use (including those abstinence from ketamine use)



#### • Evaluation results (1)

	Expected Results	Achieved Results
Output Indicator 1	To conduct 300 medical consultations to hidden young ketamine abusers, among which 60% (180) complete intensive counselling and motivational interview	Conducted 555(185%) urological consultations  182 complete intensive counselling and motivational interview
Output Indicator 2	Engage 180 parents, family members and social workers to assist the ketamine users	305 (169.4%) parents, family members and social workers were engaged.
Output Indicator 3	To recruit and serve 180 hidden young ketamine abusers	182 (101.1%) cases were recruited to the Crisis Accommodation Program



#### • Evaluation results (2)

	Expected Results	Achieved Results
Outcome Indicator 1	Significant improvement in treatment motivation found using paired t-test	Immediate completion: 132 valid cases evaluated 90 cases improved (68.2%)
		2 weeks after completion: 75 valid cases evaluated 55 cases improved (73.3%)
		13 weeks after completion: 50 valid cases evaluated 37 cases improved (74.0%)
		Significant improvement found in all stages using paired t-test (P<0.05)



### • Evaluation results (3)

	Expected Results	Achieved Results
Outcome Indicator 2	Significant reduction of drug use found using paired t-test	13 weeks after completion: 51 valid cases evaluated 45 cases improved (88.2%)  Significant reduction of drug use found using paired t-test (P<0.05)  Abstinence from ketamine use: 51 valid cases evaluated 18 cases quitted (35.3%)



- Reason behind success (1)
  - Top management support to the need for in-patient care
    - one-stop and integrated multidisciplinary interventions for the health and functional problems associated with ketamine abuse.



- Reason behind success (2)
  - New model of service can tailor to the specific needs of the young substance abusers consuming ketamine
    - (a) brief intervention
      - facilitate a break from the community for attention and supported-evaluation of the need for change
      - minimize disturbance to the life and work/study of the ketamine abusers who are at their productive age



- Reason behind success (3)
  - New model of service can tailor to the specific needs of the young substance abusers consuming ketamine
    - (b) urological, radiological and other medical interventions
      - heighten awareness and understanding of the health crises and problems associated with ketamine use



- Reason behind success (4)
  - New model of service can tailor to the specific needs of the young substance abusers consuming ketamine
    - (c) focused occupational therapy
      - heighten awareness and understanding of the ketamine-related functional issues fundamental to the crises and problems in daily living and work
      - inspire the motivation for change
      - equip ketamine abusers with the necessary preparedness
        - » longer term rehabilitation
        - » relapse prevention



- Reason behind success (5)
  - New model of service can tailor to the specific needs of the young substance abusers consuming ketamine
    - (d) structured system of hospital-NGO collaboration
      - ensure and facilitate effective communication, service interfacing and continuity of engagement of ketamine abusers in rehabilitation
      - provides a platform for ongoing educational and experience sharing to improve service collaboration and outcome

### **Experience Gained**



- Lesson learnt (1)
  - Effective communication and structured service interface are essential to the success of service collaboration

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- Lesson learnt (2)
  - Effectiveness in the instillation of insights to the ketamine-induced health and functional problems is facilitated through education and assessment on a person-centred and face-to-face approach.

# **Experience Gained**



- Lesson learnt (3)
  - Ketamine abusers need focused learning to equip themselves with the preparedness and readiness to engage in longer term rehabilitation for abstinence and relapse prevention from ketamine use.



- Conclusion
  - Brief intervention involving multidisciplinary in-patient and community interventions, and upon a structured system of collaboration is an effective model of service for the rehabilitation of ketamine abusers.

