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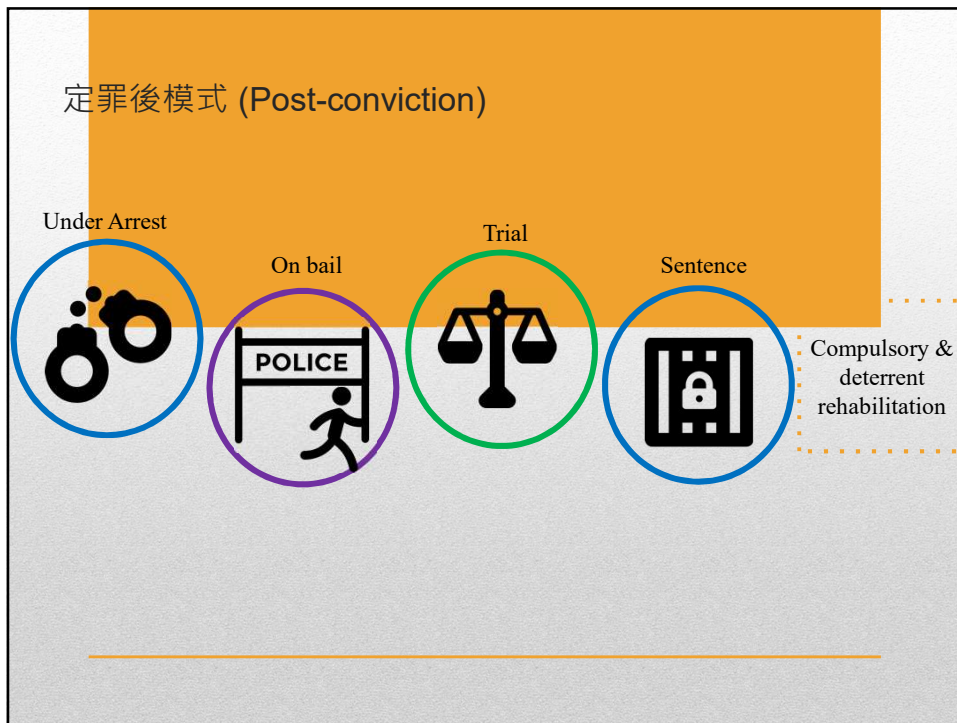
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Supporting Service for the Arrested Youth

Rationale of the Project



They will seek help concerning their court cases



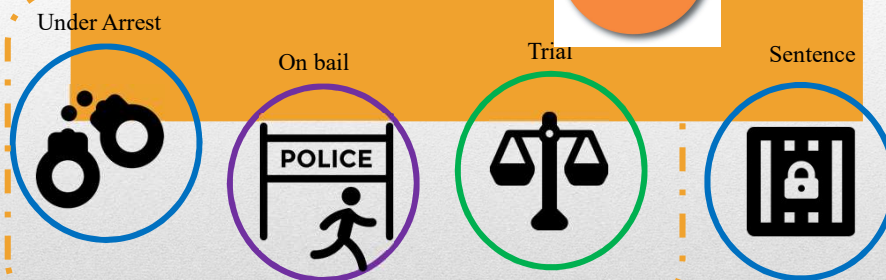
- Stressful & Anxious
- Worried about the future



- Friends
- Social worker
- Internet
- Family
- Lawyer

- Do nothing

審前模式 (Pre-Trial)



Drug Rehabilitation starts from here
-Voluntary
-Self-induce

Objectives

1. Earlier intervention in the pre-trial stage
 2. Enhance client's motivation to quit drugs
 3. Reduce the chances of relapse and re-offence
 4. Support their family members
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Highlights of the Project

- Reach our targets in the courts
 - Crisis intervention
 - Court cases are the key point to step in their drug problem
 - Tailor-made rehabilitation plan considering the court procedure
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Service Targets

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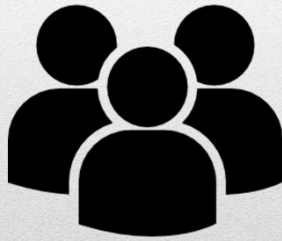
- ✓ Arrested or charged young people aged 30 or below
- ✓ Young drug abusers
- ✓ Families and Friends of the service targets

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Target Characteristics

Portfolio of our client



- First offence/ no criminal record (64.3%)
- Over 24 young adults (56%)
- Working Youth (69 %)
- Actively seek help (33% from hotline)
- Connection with family/friends
- Higher motivation in dealing with the criminal case
- Hidden drug abusers
- Emotional instability: Stressful & Anxious

we approach our targets through

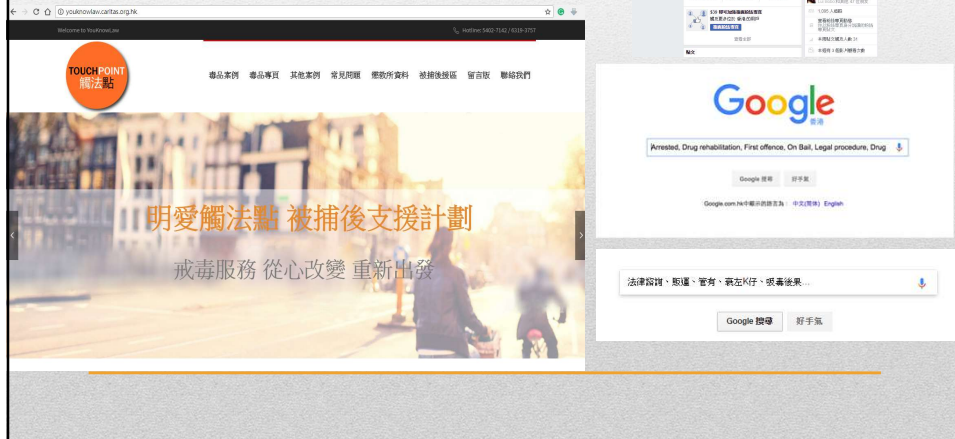
Court outreach- (47% source of clients)

- ◆ 7 magistrate courts
- ◆ 3 times per week
- ◆ Offenders committed drug related crimes
- ◆ High risk offenders , E.g. committed gangs related crimes / bogus marriage / common assault/ criminal damage



Social media –

- Website
- Facebook
- Hotline
- Keywords search



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Service Content

Pre- Trial Intervention- short term rehabilitation

1. Provide information for court procedures
 2. Legal rights education
 3. Risk assessment
 4. Counseling and emotional support
 5. Interest class and physical exercise
 6. Medical assessments
 7. Family support service
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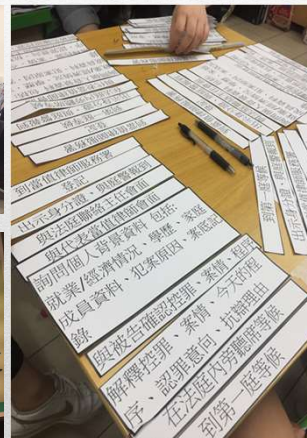
Re-offending and relapse prevention workshop 預防重犯/重吸工作坊

- ❖ Prepare for the court procedure and result
- ❖ Build up positive attitude towards their court case



Morning Buddy training workshop 法庭義工

- ❖ Sustain Changes
- ❖ Role transformation



Stress management

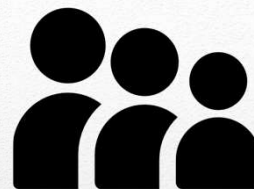
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- ❖ Review their drug issues and court experience
- ❖ Plan for the future
- ❖ Identify their resources



Service for family members

家長工作



- ❖ No support in normal life
 - ❖ Can share with family and friends
 - ❖ Anxious with the court result
 - ❖ Different levels of depressive symptoms
- ✓ Mutual support group
 - ✓ Counseling Service and Emotional support

Output

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| 1 | To reach 400 arrested young drug abusers. |
| 2 | To provide counselling and assessment services for 70 arrested young drug abuser . |
| 3 | To provide counselling and assessment services for 70 hidden young drug abusers who are in the arrested social life. |
| 4 | To provide counselling services for 28 family members of arrested young drug abusers . |

OUTCOME

Arrested drug abusers

75.3% (301)

Complete brief risk-assessment

87.1% (61)

Improved their drug quitting motivation and understand their treatment needs

Family member

92.9% (26)

Improved their awareness on the drug problem of their family members

Hidden drug abusers

81.4% (61)

Improved their drug quitting motivation

quoted from the 3rd half year outcome

We discover...

1. Drug Trafficking → under 20
 Possession of Dangerous Drug → over 20
 2. Party drug user → Underestimate the effects of drug use
 3. The first offender → Highly motivated
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Challenges

1. Repeated offenders



1. Sustain changes after the court case



1. Time limited

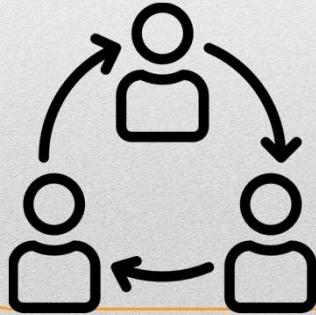


Our learning

1. Role of the client

From **offenders** to **victims** of drugs

Eligible to rebuild their life themselves



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