Extended Community Clinic Service 2.0 8/2020-7/2023

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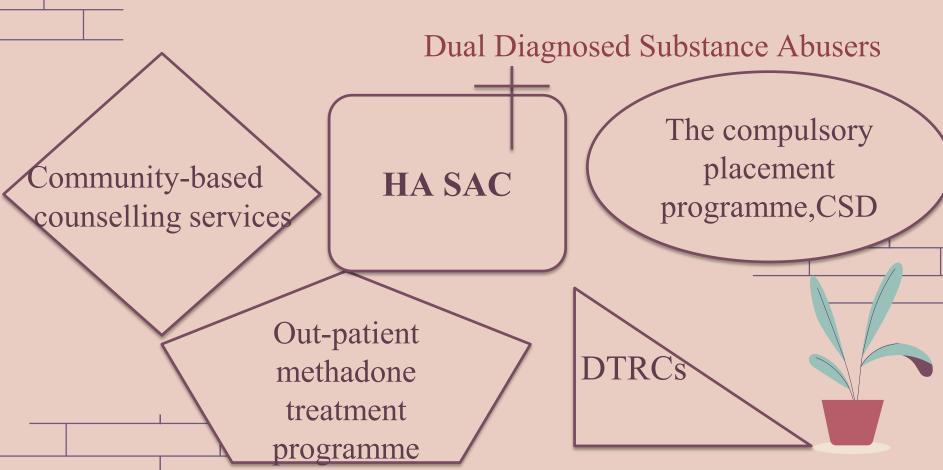


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Background

SA service in HK



Up to 60% of substance abusers developed psychiatric illness #

Service Needs

65.3-70% of substance abusers mainly abuse Psychotropic substances *

#Crowe, M., Inder, M., & Thwaites, B. (2022). The experience of mood disorder and substance use: An integrative review. Journal of Psychiatric and Mental Health Nursing. https://doi.org/10.1111/jpm.12876

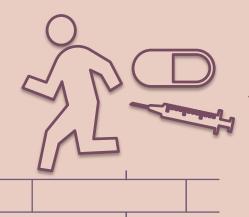
*Narcotics Division, 2024 statistical data. Retrieved from https://www.nd.gov.hk

★ Dual diagnosis patients

- Poorer **prognoses**
- Less compliance
- Higher **relapse** rates
- Greater levels of unmet need including :
- Housing instability
- Poorer levels of social functioning
- Greater risk of being either a victim and /or perpetrator of violence
- Greater involvement with crime and more likely to be marginalization

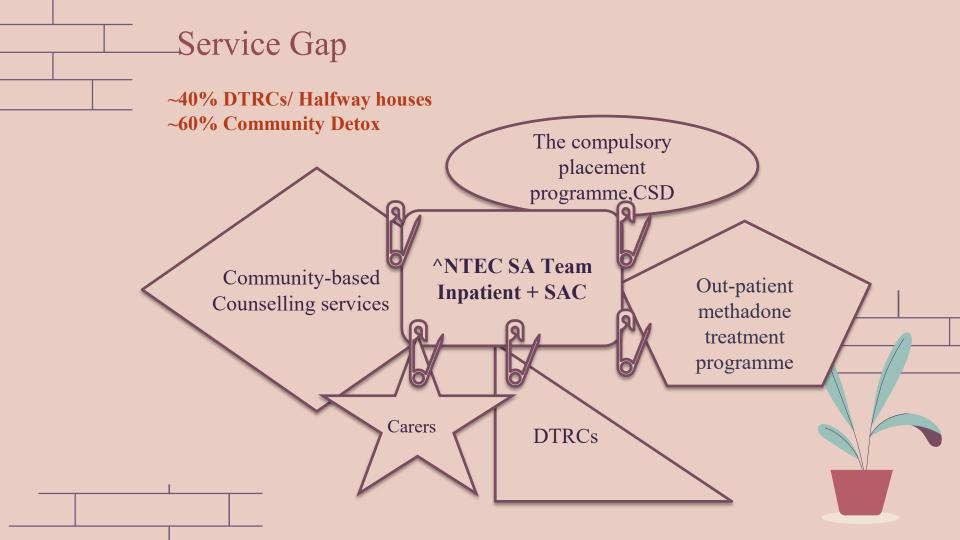


Inadequate ongoing support during and after receiving psychiatric service →Discharge against medical advice (DAMA) ↑misunderstanding Conflicts / Violence Carers' stress



Opportunity to **leave detox** centers or not finishing the detox journey after visiting Out-patient Department (OPD) / hospitalization →Affect the continuity of detox service and abstinence





Project Content

Introduction of BDF program

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To enhance service needs and minimize service gap

Enhancement of **continuity** of detox journey and psychiatric care for dual-diagnosed patients ↓ opportunity to leave detox centers or not finishing the detox journey.

↑ continuity of detox service and abstinence Enhancement of **ongoing support** for the substance abusers and their carers before, during and after residential detox service ↓ DAMA ↑No Wrong Door approach

Enhancement of collaboration with community detox service and DTRCs.
↑ maintain a stable drug compliance and emotional status of the clients
↑ psychiatric related assistance to the dual diagnosis clients and professional advice to the hostel care workers.

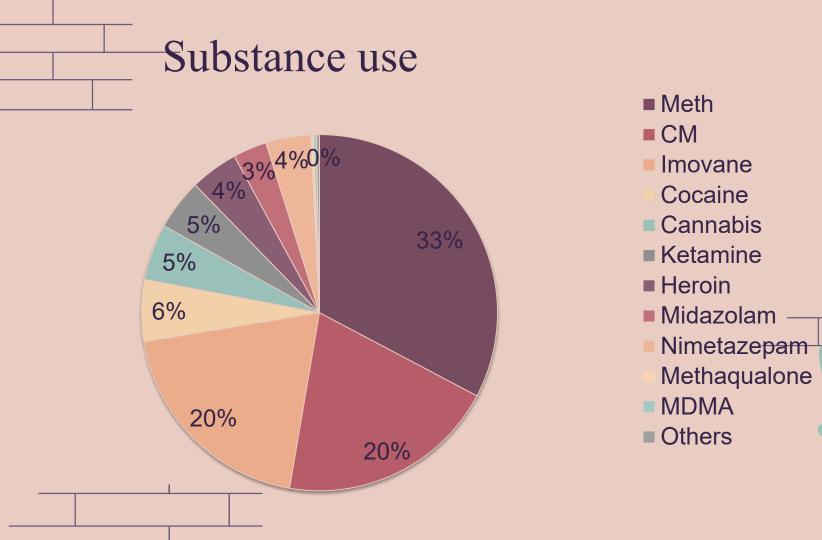
		ECC 2.0
	Service target	Dual Diagnosed Substance Abusers And their carers
	Source of Referral	<u>SA team patients +</u> CCPSA, hostel, outreaching team, drug treatment centre & NGO etc.
	Objectives	• Enhance client <i>motivation to quit drugs</i>
		• Assist client to reduce or stop using illicit drugs
		• Assist client to establish <i>improvement in mental health and daily functioning</i>
		To alleviate carer stress

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Demographic Data – Sex and Age

	Female	Male
-18	1	0
20-29	9	13
30-39	15	18
30-39 40-49 50-59	6	14
50-59	2	2
60	1	0
Total	34	47



Scope of ASWO + Peer Specialist Service



Drug addiction counselling oriented

Insight Enrichment

-Reflecting patient's ambivalences and suppressed self in counseling
-Inducing their self-awareness towards mental illness & substance abuse



Assignment given prior admitting DTRC[–]



Drug addiction counselling oriented

Motivation Enhancement

-Assisting patient to be aware of <u>drugs</u> <u>meaning</u> towards him/her; reflecting the <u>need and difficulty</u> of patient

-Enhancing patient's motivation in detox plan (e.g. **preparation** for treatment in detox centre, alleviation of distress about detox centre, etc.)



Family intervention & Relationship Reconciliation -Dealing with problematic communication pattern and fostering family support for SA patients to quit drugs





Collaboration and Liaison

Multi – disciplinary collaboration Close communication and working with CMOs, Nurses, PTs and OTs for formulating and managing case plan

Community Liaison

Referring community service and persistently collaborating with the stakeholders for the rehabilitation of patients and their family members ,such as **CCPSA, ICCMW, DTRC, family service and elderly service**



Case sharing

Client S



Client S personal particulars:	
Name	S
Gender	Μ
Age	30+
Marital status	Divorced
Occupation	Unemployed for 10 years
Education Level	F.3
Source of Referral	Psychiatric ward case was transferred from A&E after overdose
Admission Period	~12 weeks
Past psychiatric history	Drug dependence, Drug induced psychosis
Family Background	Lives with old aged parents Frequent conflict with his ex-wife



Psy History

• Known to Siu Lam Psychiatric Centre for low mood, tearfulness, insomnia and self-harm act; impressed to be adjustment disorder

Reason of recent admission

- Paranoid idea
- Tried to jump off the building, punched his wife's eye
- Denied substance abuse, auditory hallucination, active suicidal / aggressive ideas



Substance use

	Substance Type	1 st use	Desire Effect	Frequency	Abstinence
	Ketamine	Since teenage	Peer influence We Feeling	Once a week	Claimed quitted after voluntary detox in 2017
+	Cough mixture	Evasive to talk	Claimed "allergic airway" due to smoking	1 bottle per day	
	Imovane	Few years ago	Sleepless	1-2 tabs per night	

Insight towards substance abuse & mental illness :Limited initially

Service Deliverables

		Service Provided	Session
	_ Client	Client Face-to-face interview in inpatient ward	
	-	Face-to-face interview sessions in OPD	2
Teleph		Telephone contact/ interview	1
	Client's ex-wife	Face-to-face interview in inpatient ward(visiting room)	9
	_	Face-to-face interview sessions in OPD	2

	Assessment	Intervention
Presenting Problem	 Emotion instability Crying, anxious when he felt boredom and lonely self-harm, hit the cabinet with his head and attempted to run away. Difficult to communicate with family members Male chauvinism, frequent impulsive and aggressive behavior towards his ex-wife and mother Frequent conflict with his ex-wife but client manipulated his ex-wife simultaneously 	 Induced his self-understanding Assisted client to acknowledge and express his emotion Discussed the expected relationship with his ex-wife, and planning if they wanted to reunite. Assisted client to set life goal and detox plan
Assessment Needed	 Self-recognition Emotion expression Stress management Building effective communication skill for recognizing the importance of harmony and stable interaction with his family members 	
Insight Enrichment	 Limited insight towards substance abuse and mental illness Stated that he will abstain substance but without concrete plan 	 Acknowledged his suffering from emotion instability Educated client the safety and advantage of using prescribed medication Induced his awareness of the need of psychiatric medication after reviewing his psychotic symptoms and aggressive behavior Conveyed the harmful effect of substance abuse Induced his awareness of his psychotic and aggressive behavior under substance abuse
Motivation Enhancement	 Limited motivation to quit substance Not ready to plan detox 	 Recognized his efforts and loves towards his family members Motivated client to keep bible study – spirituality support Motivated client to receive marital counseling as he wanted to reunite with his ex-wife Motivated client to receive addiction counseling for abstinence after discharged Motivated client to set goal and objective for detox before discharge

Assessment

Addiction Counselling

Drug addictive pathway (SA History)

- Evasive to talk about SA history
- Stated that he will abstain substance without concrete plan

First used

Took Ketamine since teenage under peer influence

Abstained period

Claimed quitted Ketamine after voluntary detox in 2017

Craving

- Persistent anxious and stressful when without substance abuse
- Sought for sleep well after taking imovane
- Sought for concentration and energy after taking cough mixture(CM)
- Sought for stress-relief and liberation

Meaning of drugs

- ~ as self-regulation tool enhancing emotional stability
- Client's ego functioning is certainly weak. Indeed, he didn't know how to regulate his negative emotion. He could not express negative feeling and weakness under the spirit of male chauvinism and his father patriarchal influence.
- He was lack of self-image, self-confidence and self-esteem to cope with difficulties. He could not accept his failure in front of others.
- He relied on his parents to earn a living. He had **no power and capability to strike for a balance.**
- He then found CM and imovane abuse could regulate his distress and instable emotion.

Intervention

- Acknowledged and reframed his personal strength
- Assisted client to have a better understanding of his "self"
- Assisted client to have a **better understanding of the meaning and** relationship between drugs and him
- Peer specialist shared successful experience of detox to induce hope and aspiration to client
- Assisted client to learn and find ways to alleviate his stress and emotional strain.
- Reviewing high risk situation and introducing relapse prevention skills



Foster relationship and trust between client and CMO Collaborated with OT, Nurse

Multi-Disciplinary Collaboration

	Assessment	Intervention		
Family Intervention	 Frequent conflict with his ex-wife but client simultaneously manipulated his ex-wife Ex-wife wanted to leave client but she was afraid of his manipulation and violence. High risk to have domestic violence again Client's family members misunderstood psychiatry treatment 	 Safety measure education Introduced ex-wife to utilize the social resources regarding domestic violence Motivated client's ex-wife to adjust the boundary between client and her. For instance, gathering in public area , child visit at children playground Educated the importance of psychiatry treatment to client's family members Motivated client's family members to support client undergoing psychiatry treatment continuously 		
Relationship Reconciliation	 Abusive relationship with his ex-wife Lack of balance relationship Lack of effective communication For instance, he got mad as ex-wife told him that she could not visit him on this Sat because of participating the primary school opening event for their son. He then ordered his ex-wife not to go and visit him instead. 	 Men's talk about the importance of bilateral communication by Peer Specialist Educated communication skills with proper manner Appreciated the positive change of client's attitude towards his ex-wife 		
Community Liaison		 Referral to family counseling service of NEO- Horizon and addiction counseling service of CLC 		



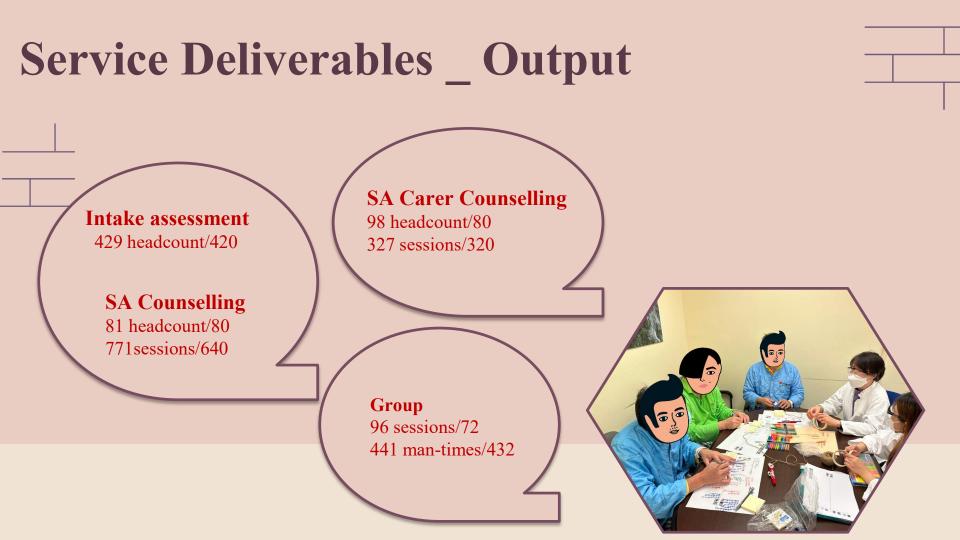
Outcome

-Abstinent after Discharged

- \checkmark His mental status had improved.
- \checkmark Full of confidence to abstain dangerous drug
- ✓ Did not resume to work as his right arm was injured after car accident
- ✓ The relationship between client and his ex-wife had improved. Client was more gentle than before.



Service Deliverables



Service Deliverables _ Outcome

	Outcome indicator	Ta	arget	Outcome achieved so far
	tance abusers show improvement age of change (motivation to quit	70% of the participants shown improvement readiness to quit drugs or statistical signification improvement in participant's stage of change	ant	Statistical significant improvement found using paired t-test <u>Target met</u>
Substance abusers show improvement in psychiatric symptoms 70% of the participants shown improvement in mental state or statistical significant improvement in participant's mental state (outcome measures in BPRS/DASS21)			89.3% <u>Target met</u>	
	ance abusers show improvement ctional state	70% of the participants shown improvement functional state or statistical significant improvement in participant's functional state outcome measures in CISS)		95.2% <u>Target met</u>
	ance abusers show reduction in ency of substance abuse	70% of the participants reduced substance us stopped using drugs after completing the pro		94% reduced drug use 70.2% quitted drugs 94.1% avoided relapse <u>Target met</u>

Retrospect & Prospect

Difficulty encountered

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- Covid-19
- Time Limitation
- Problematic & Time consuming
- Manpower



Contribution



Early Engagement

-Engaging Dual diagnosis patient no matter of hospitalization or to receive OPD service

-establishing trustful relationship with patients attributable to the assistance peer specialist

Comprehensive Assessment

-Gathering information from patient's family member and have constant observation and monitoring during inpatient stage and out-patient stage

Efficiency and effectiveness

Strong Collaboration

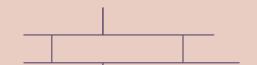
-Collaborating with Clinical Team, SWD and Stakeholder -providing timely and corresponding intervention simultaneously

Timely Intervention

-Intervention is conducted at a timely manner during hospitalization -Service delivering from intoxication or relapse of mental illness to drug abstaining phase -Prompt referral are rendered : Gambling counseling service, family support, Elderly service, marital counseling, children care, etc



To be continuedBDF ECC3.0



Thank you