Examining Global Drug Early Warning Systems (G-DEWS)

Part 2: Monitoring Drug Trends in Australasia, featuring: NDARC (Australia) and SHORE (NZ)

Overview of G-DEWS project

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G-DEWS: Background

- Work scoping a New Zealand DEWS led to initial collaborations between the Centre for Addiction Research (CFAR) at University of Auckland and CESAR.

- David Newcombe received a NIDA Distinguished International Scientist Award (DISCA) to work with researchers at CESAR to examine existing drug monitoring systems.

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Global Drug Early Warning Systems (GDEWS) Project

- Objective

  - To examine existing drug monitoring systems to gain an understanding of how they work, the contexts in which they operate and to describe areas of best practice.

- Goal

  - To develop guidance based on proven practice utilized by existing systems to support countries establishing new drug early warning systems

G-DEWS: Project plan

- Explore selected drug monitoring systems via a series of NDEWS Presents webinars.

- Products to include:

  – Webinars

  – Peer review articles

  – Resource (chapter) on best practices and guidelines for setting up new DEWS.

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