**RYS PROCEDURES/STANDARDS**

This chapter was added in July 2017 to advise staff of the National Standards that govern the work of Restorative Youth Service.

**Introduction**

The Restorative Youth Service comprises of:-

* the Youth Offending service
* U-Turn
* On Trak

**1.TheYouth Offending Service**

The standards, set by the Secretary of State for Justice on advice from the Youth Justice Board for England and Wales (YJB), are designed to ensure public protection, safeguard young people and deliver effective services.

They apply to those organisations providing statutory youth justice services, including youth offending teams and the secure estate, which includes secure children’s homes, secure training centres and young offender institutions.

The National Standards for Youth Justice Services are set by the Secretary of State for Justice on advice from the Youth Justice Board for England and Wales (YJB). The standards apply to those organisations providing statutory youth justice services.

These standards should be seen as a distillation of the range of legislation, compliance frameworks (contracts, inspection regimes, etc) and sources of statutory and effective practice guidance which applies across the youth justice sector.

The Standards can be found at:-

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-standards-for-youth-justice-services>

In addition the Youth Justice Board have published Case Management Guidance which contains:-

* information on what youth justice services need to do
* implications of legislation
* practical advice to workers
* information which can be used to induct new staff
* guidance to support case managers
* information about the youth justice system if for partner agencies

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/case-management-guidance>

2.**U-Turn**

[U-turn](http://www.swindon.gov.uk/cf/childcareservices/Pages/cm-alcoholdrugsabuse.aspx) is a specialist service that provides support, help and guidance to young people (and their families) who have alcohol and/or drug-related problems. The service encompasses all illicit substances, solvents and prescribed medication but excludes the use of tobacco.

It works proactively in preventing drug use and providing education to children and young people, and provides training and consultancy for professionals on how to work with young people they have concerns about, and which are related to the misuse of alcohol and substances.

All U-turn staff are skilled at cognitive-behavioural interventions, motivational interviewing and specialist prescribing. They work with young people to help them to reduce the harm caused by alcohol and drug misuse and to improve their overall health.

The service provides help and support for young people, aged from 10 to 17 years of age,that live in the Borough of Swindon and accepts referrals from all childcare practitioners and professionals and also encourages referrals directly from young people and their parents, guardians or carers.

The National Standards that govern the U-Turn service are as below:-

NICE Guidance Controlled drugs: safe use and management 2016 at:-

<https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng46>

NICE Guidance Drug misuse in over 16s: psychosocial interventions 2007 at:-

<https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/cg51>

[Practice standards for young people with substance misuse problems](http://www.emcdda.europa.eu/attachements.cfm/att_232130_EN_UK58_Practice%20standards%20for%20young%20people%20with%20substance%20misuse%20problems%20(2012).pdf) 2012

[Assessing Young People for Substance Misuse](http://www.nta.nhs.uk/uploads/nta_assessing_young__people__for__substance__misuse_yp1.pdf) 2007

][Young people's substance misuse treatment services – essential ...](http://www.google.co.uk/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=1&ved=0ahUKEwia6NfH2e_UAhVBiRoKHRhIDhMQFggiMAA&url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.nta.nhs.uk%2Fuploads%2Fnta_essential_elements_youngpeople.pdf&usg=AFQjCNFHXGs43r6eicvr--_buZr-RoEZuw)

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**3.OnTrak**

This service is governed by the Ethical Framework for the Counselling Professions 2016 which provides guidance for counselling professions.

There have been many changes for the counselling professions in the 15 years since the last revision of the Ethical Framework. All professions in health and social care, including the talking therapies, have become more intensively regulated, largely in response to scandals and major service failures in health and social care. These developments require that all practitioner members of British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy (BACP) must be registered according to the requirements of the Professional Standards Authority.

The new Ethical Framework takes account of these developments on the basis of careful consideration of what we can learn from issues that have arisen in the talking therapies but also from other related professions. The extensive consultations greatly helped to develop the voice and tone of the Ethical Framework. It involved striking a balance between the more directive and authoritarian voice that is typical of responses to major scandals by many professional and regulatory bodies whilst honouring the values of the counselling professions that favour open-mindedness and are suspicious of excessive directiveness.The aim has been to find a voice that fosters the ethical resourcefulness of practitioners appropriate to listening professions that need to be responsive to diverse client needs and contexts. The Ethical Framework consists of both ethics and values associated with the delivery of good quality counselling It also good practice guidance which sets out what can be expected of all members and registrants of BACP practitioners providing therapeutically-based services, particularly coaching, counselling, pastoral care and psychotherapy. This includes associated roles in supervision, education or training, management and research.

The Ethical Framework can be found at:-

[***http://www.bacp.co.uk/ethical\_framework/new\_ef.php***](http://www.bacp.co.uk/ethical_framework/new_ef.php)

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