



***Respect and Responsibility
Strategy and Action Plan
for Improving Sexual Health in Scotland***

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Key Drivers

- Review of national sexual health strategy
- National sexual health standards
- Review of Sex and Relationships Education
- New framework for health and wellbeing issues in schools
- Scottish Government focus on outcomes and cross government working

Direction of Travel

- Refocus of existing efforts
- Actions leading to greatest impact
- Intermediate outcomes with stated long term outcomes
- Streamlined reporting and performance management
- Continued partnership approach

Outcome 1: Knowledge and awareness

- Reduced stigma and discrimination associated with relationships, sexual health and HIV
- Social marketing approaches leading to increased public awareness
- Links to other risk taking behaviours
- Co-ordinated prevention activities and information

Outcome 2: Leadership, co-ordination and performance management

Co-ordinated delivery of evidence informed interventions across Scotland

- Local and national leadership with clearly identified roles
- Sexual health viewed as an integral part of community planning and SOAs
- Performance management frameworks

Outcome 3: Standards and service provision

High quality information and service provision across Scotland

- National sexual standards implemented
- All consultations include health improvement
- Competencies for non-clinical work
- Multi-disciplinary training
- Support for capacity and leadership development

Outcome 4: Young People

- National guidance & self assessment tool
- Targeted work with young people not in school, young offenders and looked after & accommodated young people
- High quality, consistent information
- Drop-in services
- Wider Sex and Relationships Education

Long term high level outcomes

- Reduced levels of regret and coercion
- Reduced levels of unintended pregnancy
- Reduced levels of STIs
- Increased access to information and uptake of services
- Reduced levels of HIV transmission
- Reduced levels of undiagnosed HIV

What has happened so far? (1)

- Performance Management system established
- Interagency Sexual Health Strategy group visits undertaken – Nov 08/Jan 09
- Reconfiguration of National Sexual Health and HIV Advisory Committee

What has happened so far? (2)

- Engagement on Draft HIV Action Plan commenced
- Social marketing preparation on generic, LARC and HIV issues
- Scottish boost to UK wide lifestyle 2010 survey agreed
- Identification of research gaps for vulnerable groups and next steps mapped
- Capacity building at national and local level supported by national agencies

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