Meeting the Health Needs of Problematic Drug Users Through Community Pharmacy: A Qualitative Study

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Area(s) of research: Prevalence, incidence and patterns of drug use, Treatment responses, Mechanism of drug use and effects

Objectives:
This paper aims to qualitatively explore the feasibility and desirability of further developing community pharmacy services to meet the wider health needs of problematic drug users.

Scientific discipline(s) involved: Demography

Initial identified needs:
In the United Kingdom, users of illicit drugs exhibit worse overall health functioning than the population norm and often face barriers to accessing general health services exacerbating this health inequality. Community pharmacies are established service providers for problematic drug users (PDUs). PDUs have many unmet health needs, which pharmacists may be able to help resolve.

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