NSP Snapshots Study

Results from the fifth two week snapshot: August 2022

The NSP Snapshots study aims to identify service use trends and describe service user experiences, needs and outcomes of Victorian Needle and Syringe Programs. This snapshot ran from 15th August and 4th September.

There were 1,431 service contacts in this round that answered the Snapshots survey.

Healthworks

Footscray

NSP*

Dandenong Frankston cohealth

SHARPS

Braybrook

Health Ability

448 (31%) North Richmond

Box Hill/CHOPER Community Health

Mobile Health

Outreach Service

Access Health St Kilda*

*Dandenong NSP collected data from 22nd Aug to 4th Sep; Access Health collected data from 15th August to 4th Sep

When asked whether they had attempted to start opioid agonist treatment (OAT) in the past six months:

58%

(n=832)

15%

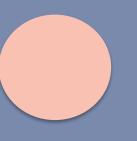
(n=214)

18% (n=257)

8% (n=128)

Did not need OAT or said it wasn't relevant to them

Were already on OAT for six or more months



Had attempted to start OAT within the last six months



Did not know or did not answer

Among contacts who attempted to start OAT:



68% (n=174/257) Started OAT



19% (n=49/257)**Started OAT** with difficulty



8% (n=20/257) Were unable to

start OAT

35%

(n=24/69) Finding an OAT prescriber



The most common barriers to starting OAT were:

20% (n=14/69)Prescriber or dispenser opening hours



8% (n=20/69)Prescription of preferred OAT medicine

*n=14 did not know or did not answer

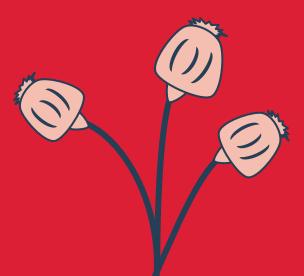
Last drug injected (1,350 respondents):



Aug 2022:

Nov 2021:

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56%

46%

Methl mines amphetamines



31%

41%



8%

2%

*Other: cocaine, MDMA, mixtures | PIEDs: Performance or Image Enhancing Drugs



























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Results from the fifth two-week snapshot: July 2021

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There were 1,431 service contacts in this round that answered the Snapshots survey.

74 (5%) Healthworks Footscray

122 (9%) Dandenong NSP*

21 (1%) Frankston SHARPS

55 (4%) Health Ability Box Hill/CHOPER

448 (31%) North Richmond Community Health

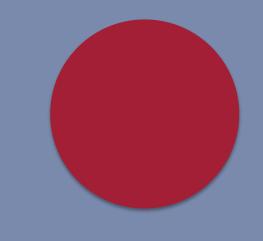
39 (3%) cohealth Braybrook

49 (3%) Mobile Health Outreach Service

623 (44%) Access Health St Kilda*

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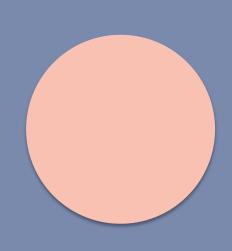
42%	61%	33%	78%	47%	54%	51%	67%
(n=31/74)	(n=75/122)	(n=7/21)	(n=43/55)	(n=211/448)	(n=21/39)	(n=25/51)	(n=419/623)
42%	25%	29%		3%	28%	22%	18%
(n=31/74)	(n=31/122)	(n=6/21)	(n=<5/55)	(n=12/448)	(n=11/39)	(n=11/51)	(n=109/623)
_	6%	38%	15%	33%	18%	24%	10%
(n=<5/74)	(n=7/122)	(n=8/21)	(n=8/55)	(n=150/448)	(n=7/39)	(n=12/51)	(n=61/623)



Did not need OAT said it was not relevant



Were already on OAT for 6+ months



Had attempted to start OAT

Among people who attempted to start OAT in the past 6 months:

		88%		76%		83%	48%
(n=<5)	(n=<5)	(n=7/8)	(n=<5)	(n=114/150)	(n=<5)	(n=10/12)	(n=29/61)
				19%			23%
(n=<5)	(n=<5)	(n=<5)	(n=<5)	(n=28/150)	(n=<5)	(n=<5)	(n=14/61)
	71%						21%
(n=<5)	(n=5/7)	(n=<5)	(n=<5)	(n=<5)	(n=<5)	(n=<5)	(n=13/61)



Started OAT



Started OAT with difficulty



Were unable to start OAT

The last drug injected of clients who responded, by site:

77%	35%	20%	45%	89%	79%	37%	34%
17%	38%	70%	42%	3%	13%	41%	52%
6% 10% 10% 13% 8% 8% 22% 14% 14% = Heroin, = Methamphetamine, = Other: PIEDs, pharmaceuticals, cocaine, MDMA, mixtures							





















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