

Substance Misuse & Coronavirus 19

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Policy Changes & Delivery of Services

The 'new normal' for children affected by their parents drinking: what's happening and how can we help?

Charity received record numbers of calls to its helpline, with double the normal calls during the early pandemic period [Alcohol Change](#)

Prescription of alcohol in emergency homeless hotel accommodation during the COVID-19 lockdown

Individuals at risk of unplanned alcohol withdrawal were prescribed, provided with and purchased alcohol as a means of harm reduction [Society for the Study of Addiction](#)

Scotland and COVID-19: rising alcohol harm and lack of services fuel vicious cycle

Alcohol harm is rising across the country and the deficiency in alcohol services is adding fuel to the fire. [Movendi International](#)

Health & Behaviour

How has COVID-19 changed the use of illegal drugs?

Overview of the results so far, summarizing several large scale studies conducted around the world [Society for the Study of Addiction](#)

Self-reported alcohol, tobacco and cannabis use during COVID-19 lockdown measures

Web-based survey investigating changes in consumption before, and during, lockdown [European Addiction Research](#)

Smoking identified to have causal link with susceptibility to severe COVID-19 & sepsis

International study identified genetic evidence supporting a causal effect

[St George's University of London](#)

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