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"A READY GUIDE" to services and facilities currently available in Lothian

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INFORMATION AND SUPPORT

National AIDS Helplines

24-hour FREEPHONE Service Phone in confidence to talk to an adviser. 0800-567 123 Free leaflets: 0800-555 777

SAM (Scottish AIDS Monitor)

PO Box 48, Edinburgh EH1 3SA Tel: 031-557 3885 (Office Hours)

For advice and information, calls charged at Local Rates. Monday to Friday 7.30 - 10.00 pm Provides information and support: Buddy Counselling, Welfare Rights, Legal Advice, Education and Training, Financial Assistance, Safer Sex Roadshow, Prison Buddy

Network.

Gay Switchboard

P.O. Box 169, Edinburgh EH1 3UU

Tel: 031-556 4049

Every evening 7.30-10.00 pm Advice and information on HIV/AIDS, STD's, Sexuality, Confidential Counselling.

Lesbian Line

P.O. Box 169, Edinburgh EH1 3UU

Tel: 031-557 0751

Monday and Thursday evenings only 7.30 - 10.00 pm

The Samaritans

54 Frederick Street, Edinburgh EH2 1LN

Tel: 031-225 3333

Support and befriending for the suicidal and despairing - a 24 hour service.

A.C.E.T. (AIDS Care Education and Training)

P.O. Box 205, Edinburgh EH6 6DU

Tel: 031-554 7821

A national charity which provides a Home Support Service. Provides practical support for people who are unwell with HIV. A grant system can provide financial assistance for day-to-day requirements.

Scottish Homosexual Rights Group (SHRG)

58A Broughton Street, Edinburgh Tel: 031-558 1279 (answering service)

Haemophilia Centre

Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh Tel: 031-229 2477 Ext.4531 Monday-Friday 9 am - 5 pm

Information for people with Haemophilia and the their families and friends.

Social Work Services

Advice, Community Laundry, Counselling, Fostering and Adoption, Home Care, Meals on Wheels, Occupational Therapy, Practical Assistance, Personal Support, Residential and Day Care, Support, Welfare Rights, Supported Accommodation (SATA).

For any of the above services contact the nearest Area Office (Hours Mon-Thurs 8.30 am - 4.40 pm Friday 8.30 am - 3.50 pm):

Edinburgh	
1. (OXGANGS)	
4 Oxgangs Path	031-445 4451
2. (GILMERTON)	
10/12 Newtoft Street	031-664 6481
3. (CRAIGMILLAR)	
182 Greendykes Road	031-669 9121
4. (CENTRAL)	
11 Victoria Street	031-226 6731
5. (CRAIGENTINNY/PORTOBELLO)	
Craigentinny Castle, Loaning Rd	031-661 8291
6. (LEITH)	
9-11 Giles Street	031-553 2121
7. (PILTON)	
40 Ferry Road Avenue	031-343 3181
8. (MUIRHOUSE)	00.010.010.
34 Muirhouse Crescent	031-343 1991
9. (GORGIE/DALRY)	031-343 1331
1 Gorgie Road	031-337 8422
	031-337 0422
10. (WESTER HAILES)	004 440 4404
5 Murrayburn Gate	031-442 4131
East Lothian	
HADDINGTON Area Office:	
Victoria Park, Haddington	Haddington 4181
MUSSELBURGH Area Office:	g.c
Fisherrow School, South Street,	
Musselburgh	031-665 8484
Wasselbargii	001 000 0404
Midlothian	
DALKEITH Area Office:	
11 St. Andrew Street, Dalkeith	031-663 9772
LOANHEAD Area Office:	
4 Clerk Street, Loanhead	031-440 3000
4 Clerk Otreet, Loannead	001 440 0000
West Lothian	
BATHGATE Area Office:	
69 Whitburn Road, Bathgate	Bathgate 55181
BROXBURN Area Office:	
Easter Road, Broxburn	Broxburn 856806
LIVINGSTON Area Office:	

Livingston 410903

Cheviot House, Owen Square,

Livingston

WELFARE RIGHTS TEAM

FREEPOST Edinburgh EH1 OBB 031-225 5080

FOSTERING AND ADOPTION

Eversley House, 25 Stanley Road, Edinburgh EH6 4SE 031-551 3330

EVERY HOSPITAL in Lothian has a Social Work Service: contact them direct or via the medical staff. Health Board and Social Work staff can offer advice on **COMMUNITY LAUNDRY**.

DRUGS/AIDS Section based at Shrubhill House, Shrub Place, Edinburgh EH7 4PD 031-553 8362 provides relevant information on services locally and nationally, monitoring and co-ordination.

OUTREACH WORKERS: offer detached community work, information and advice. Tel: 031-553 8362

PRISON:

A Social Work Team in Saughton Prison provides information and advice for prisoners and relatives.
Tel: 031-443 7201

Citizen's Rights Office

43 Broughton Street, Edinburgh Tel: 031-557 3366

Mon & Fri 10 am - 4 pm, Tues, Wed, Thurs 1 pm - 4 pm Advice on Welfare Rights and Benefits.

Front Liners UK Limited (Scottish Division)

Rights/Housing advice, some alternative therapy.

37-39 Montrose Terrace,
Edinburgh EH7 5DJ
Tel: 031-652 0754
Mon-Fri 9 am - 5 pm (office hrs) (24 hour Answerphone)
A self-help group for people with AIDS or ARC. Monitoring and supplying services and information. Individual counselling and support, some financial support, Welfare

CASTLE

A Support Group for relatives and carers. Meets in Central Edinburgh. Contact George Borland, Social Work Unit, St. John's Hospital Tel: 0506-419666

Body Positive (Lothian)

P.O. Box 48, Edinburgh EH1 3SA Tel: 031-229 6940

A self-help group for anyone whose lives are affected by HIV. Offers group support, advice and individual counselling. No discriminatory criteria.

Contact: Sarah Graham, Development Worker.

Ecumenical AIDS Support Team (E.A.S.T.)

Convener: John Thompson 031-556 1309 Phone Contact: Jane Millard 0968-60253

Secretary: John Barr 3 Hamilton Terrace Edinburgh EH13 1NB

Provides practical help and support for anyone with, or affected by, HIV/AIDS. Offers support for carers and workers, runs Services and Vigils, help and support in bereavement and with funerals. Education/issues awareness/discussion programme available.

Salvation Army

77 Bread Street, Edinburgh 031-228 5351 Opening Hours 11 am - 7 pm Tuesday-Saturday

'Drop-in' facilities for those affected with HIV/AIDS, their families and friends.

Support and counselling on request.

Transport by arrangement to and from the City Hospital. Support and help with spiritual matters (if requested) bereavement and funeral arrangements. Contact: Mary Hutson.

Positive Help

7 Upper Bow, Edinburgh EH1 2JN Tel: 031-220 3975 Mon-Fri 9.30 am - 2.30 pm (24 hour Answerphone)

Volunteers provide practical help for people with HIV, or AIDS, their families, friends and carers.

Contact: Helen Mein, Co-ordinator

Fighting Back

c/o 2/4 Abbeymount, Edinburgh EH8 8EJ Tel: 031-661 0982

Catchment: National

To provide experiential/personal awareness/supportive workshops for individuals with HIV and AIDS, as well as partners, families, project workers or others affected. The emphasis is on living with AIDS and identifying untapped sources of strength.

Contact: Dr Sarah Boyle, Evlynn Horsley

S.O.L.A.S.

HIV/AIDS Resource Centre 2/4 Abbeymount, Edinburgh EH8 8EJ Tel: 031-661 0982

New Centre for people with HIV/AIDS, their families, friends, carers and workers. Offers practical and emotional support, a playcentre, a cafe, information, social events and meeting space.

Livingston Voluntary Care Network

Contact: Judith Stewart, Ladywell Friendly Bank, 28 Heather Bank, Ladywell, Livingston

Tel: 0506 37746

Monday to Friday 9.30 am - 12.30 pm (Answerphone) Volunteers provide practical help and support to people with HIV and AIDS in Livingston.

Centenary Project - Outreach Work with Women

Tel: 031-553 2490 (24 hour Answering machine in operation) Offers confidential support, counselling and befriending to women involved in prostitution.

HM Prison, Edinburgh

Stenhouse Road, Edinburgh EH11 3LN

Tel: 031-444 2000 Prison

031-443 7201 Prison Social Work Unit

Offers HIV/AIDS information and education to prisoners and their families. Provides individual counselling for anyone worried about HIV/AIDS, a support group for HIV positive men and specialist medical care. A care and support unit is being developed.

ACT-UP

P.O. Box 135, Edinburgh EH8 9XJ

Meets Tuesdays at 7.30 pm at Tollcross Community Centre. Provides information, audio tape and braille fact sheet. Committed to direct action to affect change to end the AIDS crisis.

West Lothian AIDS Resistance Network (W.A.R.N.)

19 Jarvie Street, Bathgate

Tel: Bathgate 634115

Contact: Joan Blyth/Alison Hossack

Aims to maintain public awareness in West Lothian.

Distributes literature on HIV/AIDS and gives talks to the local community.

HIV/AIDS Team

Lothian Health Board

11 Drumsheugh Gardens, Edinburgh EH3 7QQ

Tel: 031-225 1341 (24 hour Answerphone)

Monday-Friday 8.30 am - 5 pm

Services provided: education, prevention, planning, advice, information, co-ordination of Health Board HIV/AIDS services, needle exchange, counselling and support, research, epidemiological surveillance.

The HIV/AIDS Back Up Service provides training, resources, information and networking facilities for people involved in HIV/AIDS related work in Lothian.

Further information from: Maureen Bowes HIV/AIDS Facilitator (above address on Ext 2152)

Lothian Health Board are to move their Headquarters early in 1991 to: 148 The Pleasance, Edinburgh EH8 9RR Tel: 031-229 2477

TESTING FOR HIV INFECTION

Are you worried that you may have been at risk of HIV infection? The City Hospital HIV Counselling Clinic offers confidential pre- and post-test counselling to help you consider taking the test, and confidential counselling after the results are known.

All the information you give them will be treated as strictly confidential. It will not be passed on to your doctor or anyone else without your consent.

For antibody positive individuals on-going medical and counselling services are offered.

HIV Counselling Clinic

Ward 7A: City Hospital 51 Greenbank Drive, Edinburgh Tel: 031-447 0411 (Direct line) 031-447 1001 Ext 3214 (for appointments) Mon-Fri 9 am - 5 pm

Confidential pre- and post-test counselling and support for people who are HIV positive, partners, families/carers.

Clinics:

Mon, Thurs 2 pm - 5 pm - City Hospital Late night 4 pm - 7 pm (Wednesday) Outreach Clinics at Leith, Craigmillar and Craigroyston For all appointments contact: City Hospital

The Genito-Urinary Medicine Clinic

Edinburgh Royal Infirmary, Level 4, Lauriston Building, Lauriston Place Edinburgh EH3 9YW

(for appointments) Tel: 031-229 2477 Males - Ext 4181 Females - Ext 4182

(for advice, recorded message) Tel: 031-225 4471 Mon-Fri 9.00 am - 4.30 pm (appointment by telephone or attendance)

At this clinic you can be screened for all sexually transmitted diseases including HIV infection.

No test for HIV antibody is taken without prior counselling and/or consent. Your attendance for advice, investigation and treatment is confidential.

REMEMBER - you can also ask your GP, if you have one, for a test although you may be referred to either clinic for follow-up.

DRUG PROJECTS

All of the following agencies have information on HIV/AIDS and drugs.

Castle Project

P.O. Box 922, Edinburgh EH16 4DU

Tel: 031-652 1605 Catchment: Craigmillar,

Niddrie and surrounding area

Offers confidential counselling, advice, information, support and practical help for people with drug related problems, their families and friends.

Can arrange to meet people in their own homes or other convenient places.

City-Wide Family Support Group

43 Groathill Road North, Edinburgh EH4 2RS Tel: 031-332 9279 (24 hourAnswerphone Service)

Catchment: No restriction

Support Group 2.00 pm - 4.00 pm Tuesday.

Help available 10.00 am - 1.30 pm, 2.30 pm - 4.30 pm, 6.30 pm - 8.30 pm daily.

Provides practical help and advice for parents and drug users.

Drug Prevention Group

53 Prince Regent Street, Leith, Edinburgh

Tel: 031-553 2841 Catchment: Edinburgh

Monday-Friday 9.30 am - 4.00 pm

Evening Tel No: 031-554 2991 or 031-332 9279

Drop-in centre for drug users, ex-users and community at large, including Needle Exchange.

Counselling support and advice available.

Leith Community Drugs Project

3/5 Smith's Place, Leith EH6 8NT

Tel: 031-553 5250, 554 7516 or 554 7350

Catchment: Leith Area

Office hours:

Monday-Thursday 9.30 am - 5.00 pm

Friday 10 am - 4pm

For those with a drug problem who want help to overcome it and to regain control of their life.

Offers a Drop-in Centre on Tues and Thurs 1 pm - 3 pm. Various activities and individual counselling available.

Narcotics Anonymous

St. Martin's Church, Murieston Crescent, Edinburgh

Tel: 0383 737782 Catchment: No restriction

Support Group for drug users.

7.30 pm Thursday

St Paul & St George's Church Hall

6 Broughton Street, Edinburgh

Tel: 031-669 8907 Catchment: No restriction

Support Group for drug users Monday 7.30 pm

SHADA (Support, Help and Advice on Drug Addiction)

10 Pennywell Court, Muirhouse Shopping Centre,

Edinburgh EH4 4TZ Tel: 031-332 2314

Catchment: No restriction

Tues, Wed, Thurs 9.30 am - 12.00 Noon

(appointment only)

Monday and Friday 10.00 am - 4.00 pm

Wednesday 2.00 pm - 4.00 pm

A drop-in facility offering help and advice to drug users and their relatives or friends.

Activities: Tuesday and Thursday from 1.00 pm - 4.30 pm.

Support on Addiction for Families in Edinburgh (SAFE GROUP)

24 Nicolson Street, Edinburgh EH8 9DH

Tel: 031-662 0358 (also 24 hour Answerphone)

Monday to Friday 9 am - 5 pm. Catchment: Edinburgh

Offers: a practical response through the Furnshare project, Befriending Service, Education/Prevention.

Meetings on the third Thursday of each month at 7.30 pm.

Simpson House Drugs Project

52 Queen Street, Edinburgh EH2 3NS

Tel: 031-225 6028/1054 Catchment: Lothian

Monday-Friday 9.00 am - 5.00 pm (by appointment)

Day Centre Drug Programme

Support Group for people who have or have had drug problems including drug related infections.

Monday Evenings 6.00 pm - 8.00 pm

Family Support Group

Wednesday Evenings 7.00 pm - 8.30 pm

Muirhouse/Pilton Drug Project

34 Muirhouse Crescent, Edinburgh EH4 4QL

Tel: 031-343 1991 Catchment: principally Muirhouse/Pilton Area

Mon-Thurs 8.30 am - 4.40 pm

Fri 8.30 am - 3.50 pm

Individual and family counselling on all aspects of drug use, HIV and AIDS.

Consultation, training sessions and resource library on request.

Contact: Jane Ramsey or Jane Wilson.

WEST (West Edinburgh Support Team)

8/4 Murrayburn Park, Edinburgh Tel: 031-442 2465

Catchment: Mainly local but not fixed Monday-Friday Information, advice, practical help and counselling for drug users, their relatives and friends.

West Lothian Drugs Education Project

47 Adelaide Street, Craigshill, Livingston, West Lothian EH54 5HQ Tel 0506 30225/6

Catchment: West Lothian

Monday-Friday 9.30 am - 4.30 pm

A preventive approach to drug misuse including harm reduction. Provides education, training, and developmental initatives with local professionals, volunteers and community groups.

Includes a confidential advice/consultancy service.

West Lothian Alcohol and Drugs Team

48 Adelaide Street Craigshill, Livingston Tel: 0506-31316 Mon-Fri 9.00 am - 4.30 pm

Offers counselling, guidance, a day training programme and support to problem drinkers, drug takers and their families.

Managed by West Lothian Drug Education Project.

Community AIDS Support Team - C.A.S.T.

Royal Edinburgh Hospital Morningside Terrace, Edinburgh EH10 5HF

Tel: 031-447 2011 Ext 4340 (24 hour Answerphone)

Four Community Psychiatric nurses who offer support for people with HIV/AIDS who experience mental health or psychiatric problems within Lothian Region.

Contact: Sue Maxwell (Team Leader)

Community Drug Problem Service (C.D.P.S.)

Royal Edinburgh Hospital Morningside Terrace, Edinburgh EH10 5LG Tel: 031-447 2011 Ext 4570

A Health Board service offering medical, personal and family support in the community.

Referrals may be made by a General Practitioner, Drug Project or Social Worker.

HARM REDUCTION SERVICE

HIV/AIDS Harm Reduction Service, run by Lothian Health Board. Provides injection equipment, exchange information and advice on safer drug use and safer sex.

Clinics

Mobile Exchange Niddrie Mains Road, Craigmillar next to the Welfare Rights Office Mon, Wed, Fri 1pm - 3 pm

Leith Hospital Car Park: Mon, Wed, Fri 10am - 12 noon. Craigroyston Health Clinic: Wed and Fri 1 pm - 5 pm Sandport Street, Leith: Thurs evenings 9 pm - 11 pm

Phone: 031-225 1341 Ext 2298/2157 to confirm clinic times and places.

Drug Prevention Group

53 Prince Regent Street Leith, Edinburgh

Tel: 031-553 2841 Evening Tel Nos: 031-554 2991 or 031-332 9279

Needle exchange available.

PREGNANCY and CONTRACEPTION ADVICE

Brook Advisory Centre for Young People

2 Lower Gilmore Place, Edinburgh

Tel: 031-229 3596

Provides contraceptives of all kinds.

Sex counselling, pregnancy diagnosis, counselling and referral.

Discussion groups on request.

Family Planning and Well Woman Services

Main Office, 18 Dean Terrace, Edinburgh Tel: 031-343 6243, 031-332 7941

RESIDENTIAL and ACCOMMODATION SERVICES

Supported Accommodation Team - AIDS (SATA)

20 Albany Street, Edinburgh

Tel: 031-556 9140

Monday-Thursday 8.30 am - 4.40 pm

Friday 8.30 am - 3.50 pm

A scheme of dispersed supported tenancies for people with HIV related illnesses or AIDS.

Edinburgh District Council Housing Department

23 Waterloo Place, Edinburgh

Tel: 031-225 2424

Any requests for assistance with accommodation will be dealt with in complete confidence.

Brenda House

9 Hay Road, Edinburgh

Tel: 031-669 6676

Residential Rehabilitation Unit for women who are drug or alcohol dependent and want to stop using. Accepts women who are pregnant, who have their children with them, or whose children are being cared for by others.

To work positively with women and children who have HIV/ AIDS and to provide a safe drug/alcohol-free environment.

Milestone House

c/o Waverley Care Trust

9 Forrest Road, Edinburgh EH1 2QH

Tel: 031-220 4697

Milestone House, a hospice for people with AIDS or HIV-related illness opens January 1991.

20 beds for respite, convalescence, or terminal care. Situated in Oxgangs Road North, at the Western Gate of the City Hospital.

Church of Scotland Residential Services include: Malta House

1 Malta Terrace, Edinburgh EH4 1HR

Tel: 031-332 3217 Contact: J Dyer

Malta House is a Residential Rehabilitation Centre for alcohol and mixed addictions.

Rankeillor Street Hostel

Edinburgh

Tel: 031-662 0322 Contact: K Lyall

Residential facility for drug users under medical supervison.

Additional copies or entries for future editions to:

Social Work Department, Publicity and Education Unit, Shrubhill House, Shrub Place, Leith Walk, Edinburgh EH7 4PD

Tel: 031-553 8277/8281/8396