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Tower Hamlets HIV/AIDS Services

TOWER HAMLETS HEALTH AUTHORITY

ROYAL LONDON HOSPITAL (WHITECHAPEL)

Ambrose King Centre (071-377 7307)

Provision of advice, counselling, information and testing for sexually transmitted diseases including HIV. Senior Health Adviser - Jan Adams (071-377 7311)

Grahame Hayton Unit (071-377 7039)

Provision of ongoing medical management and treatment for people with HIV infection, HIV disease and AIDS. HIV Nurses: Caroline Nerney, Mark Jones (071-377 7305, Bleep 1168)

Haemophilia Centre (071-377 7000)

Provision of advice and ongoing medical management of people with haemophilia and HIV infection/disease. Haemophilia Sister - Sheila Hayden (Bleep 1178)

District Infection Control Nurse (071-377 7249, or Bleep 1192)

Provide advice on infection control throughout the Health Authority's hospitals. Alison Gent and Julia White

Women's Services

- HIV/AIDS Adviser for Women & Children gives advice on HIV and AIDS and undertakes training - Theresa Melrose (071-377 7913 Ext 5151)
- Linkworker for specialist women's health services in the community (speaks Bengali, Hindi and Urdu) - Rowshanara Choudhury (081-980 3510)
- HIV/AIDS Liaison, Midwifery Tutor - Mandy Churcher (071-377 7000 Ext 2753)

Drug Dependency Unit (071-377 7975)

Advice and information, treatment and counselling service for mainly opiate users. A Regional facility for users living in Tower Hamlets, Newham, Barking, Havering and Brentwood. Walk in clinic Monday to Thursday 4pm to 5pm, other times by appointment. The Administrator - Sandra Frost

Healthy Options Team (071-377 7740)

Specialist service for injecting drug users and men/women working as prostitutes with or at risk of HIV infection. Full confidential service ranging from emotional to practical support and including the HIV antibody test. Offer counselling in Italian and Bengali languages, as well as French, Dutch, Sylheti, Urdu, Hindi and some Spanish.

Community Services

- District Nurses (071-377 7929)**
Provide nursing care in the home, counselling, advice and teach basic nursing skills to carers.
- General Practitioner Services (071-739 6566)**
If in need of a GP or for general enquiries contact the Family Health Services Authority.
- Community Health Council (071-247 7858)**
Represents the needs of local people to the Health Authority.
- Indirect Services**
- District HIV/AIDS Training Officer (071-377 7208)**
Elaine Freeman co-ordinates staff training in the Health Authority.
- Health Promotion Service (071-377 7931)**
Community education, training and resources. Services for all community groups. Resources available in English and minority ethnic languages. Specific programmes aimed at women, young people and schools. Also a condom promotion project.

TOWER HAMLETS LOCAL AUTHORITY

NEIGHBOURHOOD LEAD OFFICERS FOR HIV AND AIDS

Act as the first point of contact, in each neighbourhood. Help clients get required services as quickly as possible, while maintaining confidentiality.

Neighbourhood	Social Services	Housing	Post Code
Bethnal Green	Brian Stone	See Vincent	071-739 8381 E1 1E2
Bow	Col Daniels	Graham Hunt	081-980 0364 E3
Globe Town	Georgina Robinson	Jan Ross	081-980 8867 E2 E3
Isle of Dogs	Charles Marshall	Daniel Caine	071-538 3726 E14
Poplar	Gillian Keyms	John Morris	081-980 7111 E14
Stepney	Eric Robinson	Chris Morris	071-799 1816 E1
Wapping	Alan Brockwell	Clare Morris	071-987 9286 E1 E14

Housing

First point of contact if service users are homeless. Homeless Persons Unit (071-739 4344) Janet Slater, David Gingell. Where current residents are in unsuitable accommodation, contact the Neighbourhood Lead Officer Housing.

Home Care

Care in the home; laundry, cleaning, shopping. Neighbourhood Home Care Manager

Specialist HIV Social Workers

Based in the London Hospital Social Work Department. Offer social work support to clients, their families and significant others.

Amabel Sutters (Women, Children and HIV) and Nigel Harvey (071-377 7458)

Night Sitting Service

A flexible service is available to vulnerable clients by contacting Ali Davies (081-980 1812 Ext 5547/5948), Amabel Sutters or Nigel Harvey (071-377 7458)

Teleshopping

Home shopping from catalogue of 3500 items, delivered weekly by the supermarket. Neighbourhood Home Care Organiser

Clinical Waste Disposal Service

For collection of clinical waste from homes or organisations contact the Neighbourhood Environmental Health Officer

TRANSPORT

Travel Permits

There are eligibility criteria for the issue of concessionary travel permits for use on public transport by people with disabilities. An assessment by a social worker is necessary.

For persons unable to use public transport because of chronic illness or disability:

Tower Hamlets Community Transport (071-987 6447)

Mini buses available for group hire to members, at 32p per mile plus £1 booking fee.

Dial-a-Ride (071-739 3003)

A door to door transport service for service users who become members. Any destination within north-east quadrant of Greater London, operates 7 days a week, morning till night. Fares are based on London Regional Transport fares. Will not transport to day centres and hospital appointments.

HIV Occupational Therapist

A service offering practical support to people living at home, experiencing problems with their daily routine.

Extra Support: a supply of freezers, washers/dryers, food processors, telephone extensions, bath hoists, pillminder boxes, entraphones, etc. Ali Davies (081-980 1812 Ext 5547/5948)

Community Support Service

A flexible service which offers practical help, intensive personal care and support, to maintain people within their own homes in the community. Gillian Keyms (071-515 7626)

Telephone and Alarm

Emergency service for particularly vulnerable service users on assessment by Social Worker

Meals Service

On assessment for service users with specified dietary requirements. A menu of 24 meals and 21 desserts to choose from delivered weekly to client's home by the supermarket. Neighbourhood Home Care Organiser

London Hospital Bereavement Service (071-247 1209)

Offer a free counselling service to people living in Tower Hamlets, and having difficulty coping with bereavement. They also see people caring for somebody who is dying.

HIV/AIDS ORGANISATIONS PROJECTS

The Globe Centre (071-790 6229)

Plans are underway to establish an East London centre with a wide range of support services.

East London HIV/AIDS Women's Support Group (071-476 1505)

For women with HIV/AIDS, offering emotional and practical support. Groups held at the Mansfield Settlement and facilitated by Positively Women. Transport and creche facilities available.

Gay Men's Support Group (081-473 1534)

Informal support group for gay/bisexual men living with HIV/AIDS in the City and East London.

Mildmay Mission Hospital (071-739 2331)

Terminal, respite, rehabilitative, convalescent and long-term residential care, plus home and day care with full counselling and emotional support.

Inner City Centre (081-984 4089)

Counselling and psychotherapy for people affected by HIV/AIDS.

London East AIDS Network (LEAN)

Practical support and befriending service. Information in the form of leaflets available in more than nine languages.

Frontliners (East End) (071-255 0107)

A self help organisation for people with AIDS. Office in Mildmay Mission Hospital.

Positively Women (071-490 5501)

An organisation run by women for women with HIV or AIDS. Their support group is only open to women with HIV or AIDS. Offer one to one counselling service.

Terrence Higgins Trust (071-831 0330)

Buddy service, telephone counselling, training, benefits and legal advice.

London Lighthouse Home Support Service (071-792 1200)

Can offer practical and emotional support throughout East London.

Black HIV/AIDS Network (081-741 9565)

Support, advice, counselling, and referral for people in black communities.

DRUGS AGENCIES

Project 493 (071-729 2070)

Community based harm minimisation initiative (Needle Exchange) for drug users and others at risk from HIV and AIDS, set up to serve East London.

Docklands Drug Initiative (071-538 0267)

Counselling, exchange of free needles, syringes and free condoms. Offer a confidential service with no registration or notification. Services like of Dogs area.

MAZE Project (071-375 1044)

A YWCA drug education and prevention project. Active outreach drug education work, support and co-ordination for youth and community workers and school staff in their place of work.

Cableline Youth Project (071-265 9084)

Proposed day programme for local drug users and evening facility for young people.

East London Drug Project (071-729 8008)

Advice, counselling and information on any drug related problem.

Release (Office - 071-377 5905, 6pm - 10am 071-603 8654)

Offer drugs and legal advice to users and professionals as well as a wide range of other services. This is a 24 hour service.

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83 Winchester Green, London W2
Tel: 071-723 3277

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148 Haverhill Street, London N1
Tel: 071-739 9165

Co-operative Funeral Services
Poplar Branch - 62 Chipp Street, London E14
Tel: 071-987 3364

Edmond & Lewis Ltd (Care London and International)
186 King Street, Hammersmith, London W6 8RA
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