

INTEGRATED ALCOHOL SERVICE (IAS) Paul Duff Alcohol Services Coordinator

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Figures on hospital discharges (excluding emergency department data) reveal the increased burden placed on the healthcare system due to alcohol-related conditions over the past two decades: The number of discharges from hospital that relate specifically to alcohol increased from 9,420 in 1995 to 18,348 in 2018 – an increase of 94.8%. Bed days for alcohol-related conditions increased by 216%, from 56,264 in 1995 to 177,892 in 2018.



COMMUNITY RESPONSE TO ALCOHOL PROGRAMME CHO DNCC

Increased problem alcohol use was identified by Regional and Local Drug and Alcohol Task Forces in North Dublin City and County during the COVID-19 pandemic. Primary Care, Hospitals and 58 Community Organisations came together to develop and implement an Alcohol Strategic Framework to meet the needs of the population and to restructure a community led response to alcohol in the area.

The programme gives clear attention to early engagement, streamlined referral pathways for treatment and ensure all groups of society are included and part of the alcohol model and treatment framework.



HSE INTEGRATED ALCOHOL TEAM

The HSE alcohol specific multidisciplinary team consists of an Alcohol Service Coordinator, a GP specialist, two clinical nurse specialists, a senior addiction counsellor, a project worker and an administrator. This team work with the acute hospitals and primary care to provide support to people (over 18s) with alcohol related issues, as a means to reduce these presentations and provide support in the community.

The integrated care pathway will be ensured by the use of the primary care centralised referral system, with links to relevant services across alcohol and non-alcohol specific services. This will include the community health networks, to provide early identification and early engagement with non-alcohol specific service users. Telehealth is available for people who prefer an on-line service. This will ensure service users receive medical and psychosocial support and the most appropriate service for their need within the community.

OUR VISION & MISSION

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A cohesive and coordinated community response to problem alcohol use through evidence based interventions, treatment, services and initiatives in Dublin North County and City.

OUR MISSION

The HSE Integrated Alcohol Service aims to ensure that those experiencing alcohol related problems in the Dublin North City and County area have access to adequate supports, thus improving their health and social gain.

ALCOHOL HUB – 56 NORTH GREAT CLARENCE STREET, DUBLIN 1, D01 VW57

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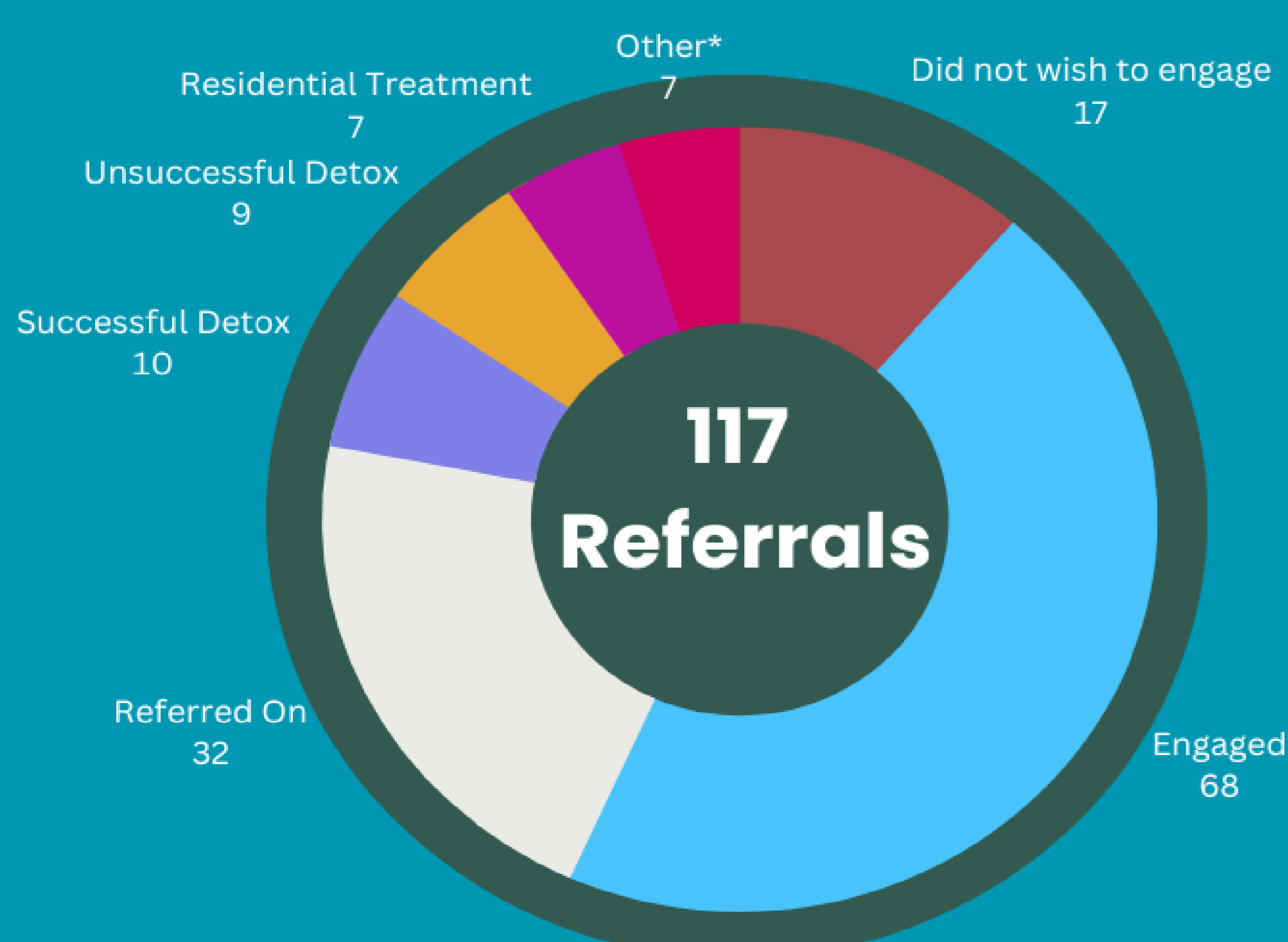
Email: iasdublinreferrals@hse.ie

Service Referrals and Outcomes

The Alcohol Hub will be based in 56 North Great Clarence Street, Dublin 1, D01 WV57.

It comprises of two services, an integrated multi-disciplinary team will have a remit that is Dublin North City and County wide. We are working with a number of section 39 addiction services within the community to ensure a community care pathway for people with alcohol related problems

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