

## Found Signs of drug use ?

### Needle or Syringe

Finding a discarded needle or syringe is very rare, however they occasionally turn up in public places. Some may have been contaminated with infected blood carrying infections such as Hepatitis B, Hepatitis C and Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), which can lead to AIDS

What to do if you find a Needle or Syringe?

**Leave it alone—Do not touch it**  
**Telephone: 07909 930363**  
**(7 days a week)**

If you are injured by a discarded needle or syringe:

Don't suck the area but encourage the injury to bleed freely for a least 2 minutes

Wash the area gently with running water

After 2 minutes try and stop the bleeding by applying gentle pressure and apply a clean dressing

**Seek medical advice as soon as possible**

If you decide to move the needle at your own risk then follow the steps below:

Find a suitable container, such as a rigid plastic container with a screw top lid, take the container to the syringe. **DO NOT** use glass bottles, these may shatter or drink cans as they may be squashed.

Handle the syringe with great care, avoiding the needle. Try to use heavy duty gloves or tongs Put the sharp end into the container first.



You can place more than one syringe into a container but do not overfill Ensure the container is tightly sealed **DO NOT** place the container in the regular waste, it must be disposed of by incineration. Keep the container safe until the collected by the council or take it to one of the drug agencies listed *Make sure you wash your hands* and whatever you used to handle the items thoroughly in antiseptic detergent !

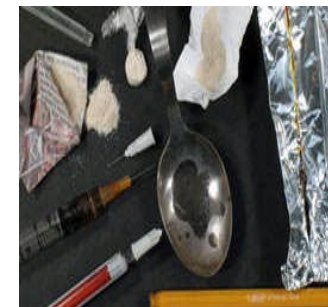
## Types of paraphernalia

### Phials / Medicine Containers

In areas where people have used heroin you may sometimes find small water phials containing sterile water which is used for preparing heroin for injection

### Illegal Smoking Paraphernalia

There are a number of ways in which illegal substances can be smoked as shown



This is by no means an exhaustive explanation of all kinds of paraphernalia that can be found. Often gas cans and glue containers can point to solvent abuse, for example However the most easily identified types are illustrated





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Do you have a little spare time ?

Could you commit some of that time to helping others?

If the answer is yes then we need **you!**

If you want to re-train, learn new skills, we have a Volunteer Coordinator who can help and support you to achieve your goals. We can assist with training costs and expenses.

# Where to find us

Our Doncaster Road Resource Centre



Outreach Drop in -Romero Centre, St Helens Church ,Athersley



01226-770-390 (Church )



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1:00pm

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07956-253-906

3:00pm

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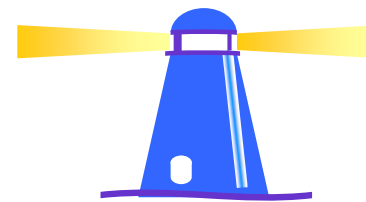
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# Signs of Drug use in the community

