

Torbay Local Drug Information System

What is the Local Drug Information System?

- The local Drug information system (LDIS) is a model designed to guide the response to the immediate risk from drugs.
- The LDIS has been designed to share intelligence effectively and consistently on new, novel, adulterated or contaminated drugs.
- When a drug has unintended consequences, including serious harm or death, sharing the information can help people who are at risk of harm stay safe.

Step 1

If you have a concern you feel should be reported via the LDIS, check the following criteria:

- Substances causing serious medical, social or emotional harm
- New or novel substances causing harm
- Substances that are anecdotally reported to have uncommon side effects
- Substances that are believed to be stronger or more concentrated
- Substances that are branded to mislead the user of the ingredients
- Concerns about a new drug becoming popular

Step 2

- If any of the above criteria is met, an LDIS form should be completed and sent to Torbay's Public Health Team. You can submit the form at torbay.gov.uk/torbay-alert-process or by scanning the QR code here.



Step 3

- Once information has been received it will be assessed and graded to help determine the appropriate response.

Step 4

- Once information has been assessed and graded, an appropriate response will be developed. This may include no further action being taken, *information only* sharing for specific local audiences or issuing a formal drug alert.

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