

“This house believes that COERCING
TREATMENT FOR DRUG MISUSERS
through the Criminal Justice System
exacerbates inequalities in health”

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Principle

Pragmatism

Health Need

Care System	12x
School Exclusion	25x
Unemployed	14x
Poor Mental Health	14x
Disability	2x
Smoking	3x
Homeless	33x
HIV	15x
Hep C	20x

Drug Treatment Need

DIP	50,000
Prison	75,000
Probation	80,000

Grip

Coercion

Choice

Sanctions

Sentence Plus/Sentence Minus

Treatment Engagement

Pre DIP	1 in 5
Post DIP	4 in 5

Impact

- Improved health
- Fewer early deaths
- Into treatment earlier
- Identical outcomes

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Funding Rationale

Individual Health	£100m	30,000 in treatment
Public Health	£120m	40,000 in treatment
Criminal Justice	£500m	130,000 in treatment

Spend

Offenders	200m
Non-offenders	550m

Sentencing to Treatment Results in:

NHS

*National Treatment Agency
for Substance Misuse*

- 75,000 non-offenders accessing treatment
- Wait of 2½ weeks not 2½ months
- Over ¾ of service users retained 12 weeks
- Greater satisfaction from service users
- More use of community sentences
- Reduced crime

NTA

More treatment, better treatment, fairer treatment

Vote YES for:

Less treatment

Worse treatment

Exclusion from treatment