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Low threshold center for drug addicts

Reduction of risks – Prevention of harm

A part of a national strategy

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Established in 2005, Abrigado is the first Luxembourg-based low threshold center for drug addicts with an integrated supervised DCR!











Our history:

- 1985 1998: streetwork
- 1999 2003: first building (drop-in center) (Station)
- 2003: inauguration: drop-in center + night shelter
- 2005: integration of the DCR into the drop-in center
- 2012: move in to the new "provisional" building
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We offer:

- Drop-in Center
 - Needle exchange
 - Medical service
 - Low threshold social service

Supervised DCR

- 6 places for blowers
- 8 places for i.v. injections
- Night shelter (42 places)

Our team:

▶ 41 staff including:

- Specialised educators
- Nurses
- Psychologists
- Sociologists
- Social workers

Multicultural and multidisciplinary

Our missions:

Harm Reduction

- Advice on consumption habits
- Safer Use/Safer Sex and Syringe Exchange
- Health and Prevention (HIV/Hep C)

Vital support

- Social work
- Crisis intervention
- Health and Safety in the public space

Opening hours

- Drop in Center and DCR
 - Monday/Tuesday 12:00 19:00
 - Wednesday 12:30 16:00
 - Thursday/Friday 9:00 16:00
 - Saturday/Sunday 10:00 19:00
- Night shelter
 - 7/722:00 7:30





The Drug Consumption Room

- 8 injection tables with specific bins for safe disposal of the needles
- Extra room with 6 tables for blowers
- Supervised by 3 employees
- Safer Use Harm Reduction Advice
 - Accuvein
 - Advice on how to reduce sanitary risks

The Exchange Counter

- New sterilised injection sets are distributed to the drug users
- Used material is brought back
- Recommendations on safer use
- Distribution of condoms (safer sex)

The Nursery

- Drug addicts can be medically treated (wounds) and advised
- Fibroscan once a week (device to check the condition of the liver)
- DIMPS (HIV Berodung / Croix-Rouge) comes every two weeks with a mobile unit (HIV/Hep C screening)

Conclusion

- We are confident in the fact that we fulfill our main missions
- We build a real relationship with our clients, so our advice can find its way to their ears
- We keep investing in material that helps reducing harm caused by drug use
- We are thankful for having the best staff to reach our objectives

Thank you for your attention

