

Responding to Drug Debt Intimidation Seminar

for workers in the area of the North Dublin Regional Drug & Alcohol Task Force

Date: Wednesday March 25th 2015

Time: 9am registration; 9:30-1pm training

Venue: [Portmarnock Hotel & Golf Links](#)

Cost: Free of charge

Suggested for:

- Family support workers, family support group facilitators and their managers
- Workers who have contact with families
- Key workers and Case managers

Overview:

The fear of intimidation as a result of drug related debt and the lived experiences of intimidation by service users and their families, is an issue that has confronted services for many years. The promotion of interagency working is a core facet of quality service provision and in responding to the issue of intimidation. Services such as Family Support can play a key role in developing responses to intimidation. This training is run in partnership with the National Family Support Network (NFSN) and the Garda Síochána, and builds on a project between Gardaí and the NFSN around responding to intimidation through an interagency approach.

This training is to support both family support workers and other workers to facilitate family members or service users experiencing intimidation, to understand the options available to them and to avail of supports if they wish to do so. The training accompanies the 'Responding to Intimidation Policy' developed in partnership with Quality Matters and includes inputs from the NFSN, Gardaí, group discussion and skills development.

Learning Outcomes:

- Understand the process for responding to intimidation reported by family members or service users. Including awareness of supports, boundaries, risk assessment and managing difficult situations.
- Have the skills and resources to implement an effective 'Responding to Intimidation' policy within their service.
- Have clear knowledge of the role of, and supports available from, the National Family Support Network and the Gardaí, in managing and responding to intimidation.

To book: Please e-mail Karen Reid at karen@ndublinrdtf.ie to reserve a place on this training day.

