



Drug and Alcohol Research Centre (DARC) Seminar

10th October 2017

4pm -5.30pm

Hendon Town Hall

Committee Room 2

The Burroughs

London, NW4 4BT

Detention under Section 136 of the Mental Health Act in London: Pathways, Perceptions and Provision. Views of people with direct or lived experience of mental distress and staff.

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People identified as having a mental health need within public places may be detained by police under Section 136 of the Mental Health Act and escorted to a 'health-based place of safety' (HBPoS) to manage their condition. Qualitative interviews examined how a person detained under Section 136 was taken to a HBPoS in London during 2016 from the perspective of people with direct or lived experience of mental health distress (n=58) and from front-line operational staff (n=196). The process and pathways to a HBPoS was shown to be highly fragmented across London. Implications of the existing service delivery model is discussed.

All welcome and it is free to attend but please book at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/detention-under-section-136-of-the-mental-health-act-in-london-tickets-35510268168>

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