

Free methamphetamine workshop for schools and parents in Semester 1

SDERA has been working closely with the Department of Education to make available to all schools a workshop called *Talking Drugs*. This is an excellent opportunity for WA schools to engage in a drug education initiative that is being driven at state and national levels to address methamphetamine and other drug use behaviour.

This workshop for those working with Kindergarten to Year 12 students, adds another layer of knowledge to those who conduct drug education using our teaching and learning resources; to those who seek to develop *School Drug Education Guidelines* (Drug Policy); and to school staff who work on any level to support students who may have issues around drug use.

The workshop has a focus on methamphetamine and other drugs and allows considerable opportunity for discussion.

At this workshop you will:

- Extend your knowledge and awareness of drug types, their impacts and possible consequences.
- Gain greater understanding of some of the complex issues that may drive drug use behaviour.
- Consider what may contribute to drug use in individuals who choose to use drugs and/or continue to use them.
- Understand the importance of empathy for working with young people with drug use issues.

Talking Drugs for school staff

Location	Date
Albany	9 June
Broome	17 May
Bunbury	24 May
Busselton	26 May
Esperance	17 March
Geraldton	1 June
Kalgoorlie	11 May
Karratha	6-7 April (3pm-6pm)
Narrogin	22 June
Northam	20 June
Rockingham	22 March
Perth	11 March
Perth	5 May
Perth	14 June

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Talking Drugs Parent Information Session

Parents have an important role to play in preventing and reducing their children's risk of harm from drug use.

As part of the national and state strategy to address methamphetamine and other drug use behaviour, the Department of Education and SDERA will offer a *Talking Drugs* information session for parents.

These 1 ½ hour sessions will be run in 11 regional areas and the metropolitan area in the evening during Semester 1.

Schools are being encouraged to inform and invite their parents to attend as places are limited.

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Geraldton	1 June
Kalgoorlie	11 May
Karratha	5 April
Narrogin	21 June
Northam	20 June
Mandurah	28 April
Perth	10 March
Perth	5 May
Perth	19 May

To register for this event, go to www.eventbrite.com.au to find a *Talking Drugs* session near you.