



Barbados Secondary School Survey 2013: Results to Action

RESEARCH DEPARTMENT:

NATIONAL COUNCIL ON SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Dissemination Activities

- ▶ Release of findings to wider stakeholder group (June 2015)
- ▶ Incorporation into 2014 Barbados Drug Information Network Report
- ▶ Presentations at training workshops e.g. workshop for staff of the Edna Nicholls Centre
- ▶ Presentations to policy makers

Programme Initiatives

- ▶ Secondary School Drug Education Curriculum
 - ▶ Drug education curriculum revamped taking into account the survey's findings
 - ▶ Curriculum was piloted in 4 secondary schools
 - ▶ Pilot completed and the plan is to extend the curriculum to additional schools in the upcoming school year (September 2016)
 - ▶ Pilot curriculum will help to develop standardized approaches to drug education across primary, secondary and tertiary students e.g. curriculum development, delivery and assessment

Policy Initiatives

- ▶ The findings were incorporated into the recently approved Barbados National Anti-Drug Plan (BNADP)
- ▶ The findings assisted in the policy discussion on the legalization/decriminalization of Marijuana
- ▶ Presentations have been made to local policy makers e.g. Joint Meeting of Cabinet Committees on Social Policy and Governance