

The Prevention Hub

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To prevent drug abuse through
the promotion of health and
well-being in children and
young people.

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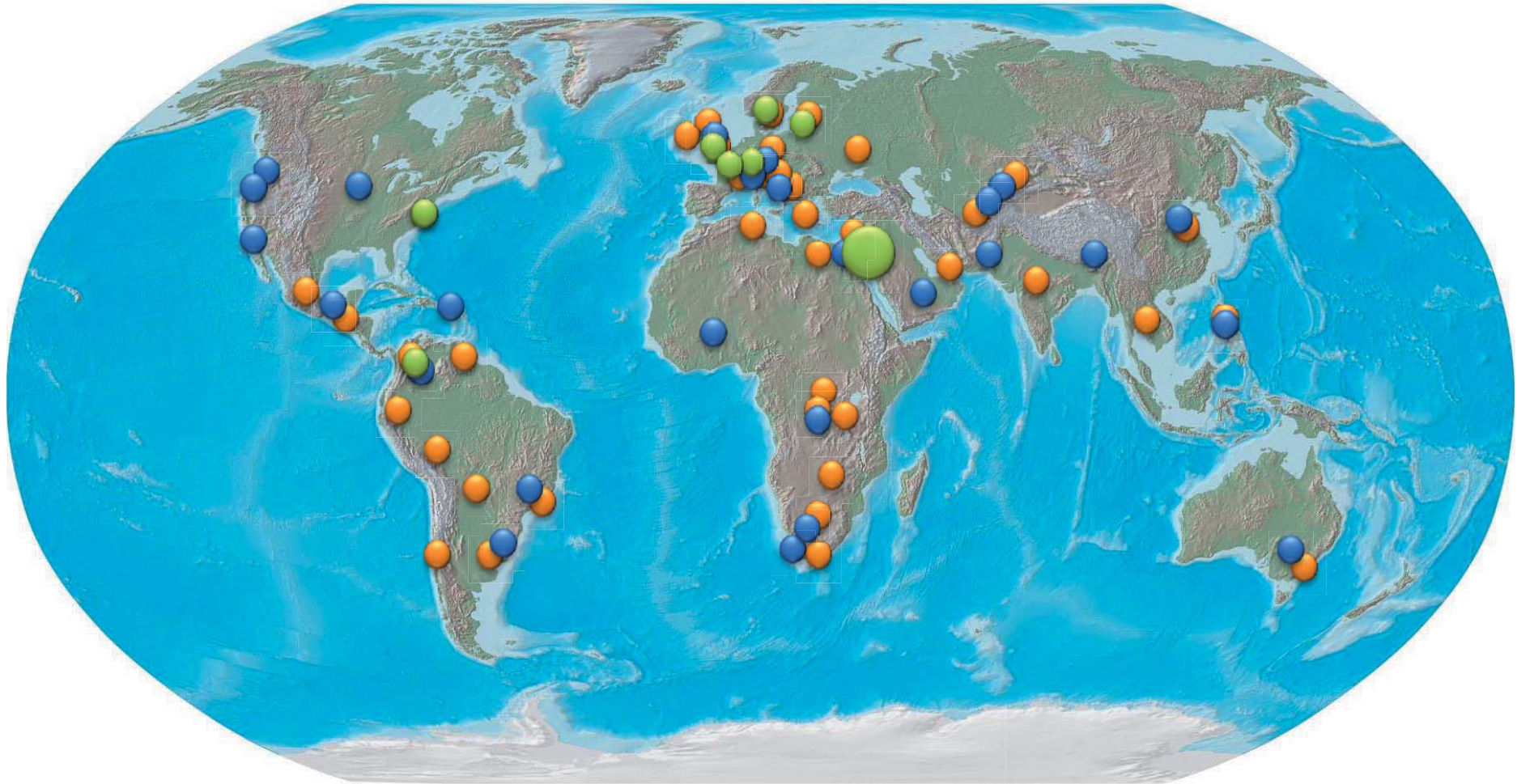
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- Mentor National / Regional Scientific Advisory Network ●
- Mentor Projects / Technical Input ●

The need for Prevention

“More than 4 in 10 people who begin drinking before age 15 eventually become alcoholics.”

Drugabuse.gov Fact sheet (April 2011)

The need for Prevention

“The average effective school-based program in 2002 costs \$220 per pupil including materials and teacher training, and these programs could save an estimated \$18 per \$1 invested if implemented nationwide.”

Substance Abuse Prevention Dollars and Cents: A Cost-Benefit Analysis - Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
Administration Center for Substance Abuse Prevention

The need for Prevention

“Since 1991, drug use has been increasing [...] Today we are in a unique position to intervene effectively by applying the results of more than 20 years of prevention research.”

Preventing Drug Use Among Children and Adolescents:
A Research-Based Guide. National Institute on Drug Abuse

The need for Prevention

“Today, an estimated 150 million young people use tobacco [...] Half of those users will die prematurely as a result of tobacco use.”

WHO Fact sheet (August 2011)

The need for the Prevention Hub

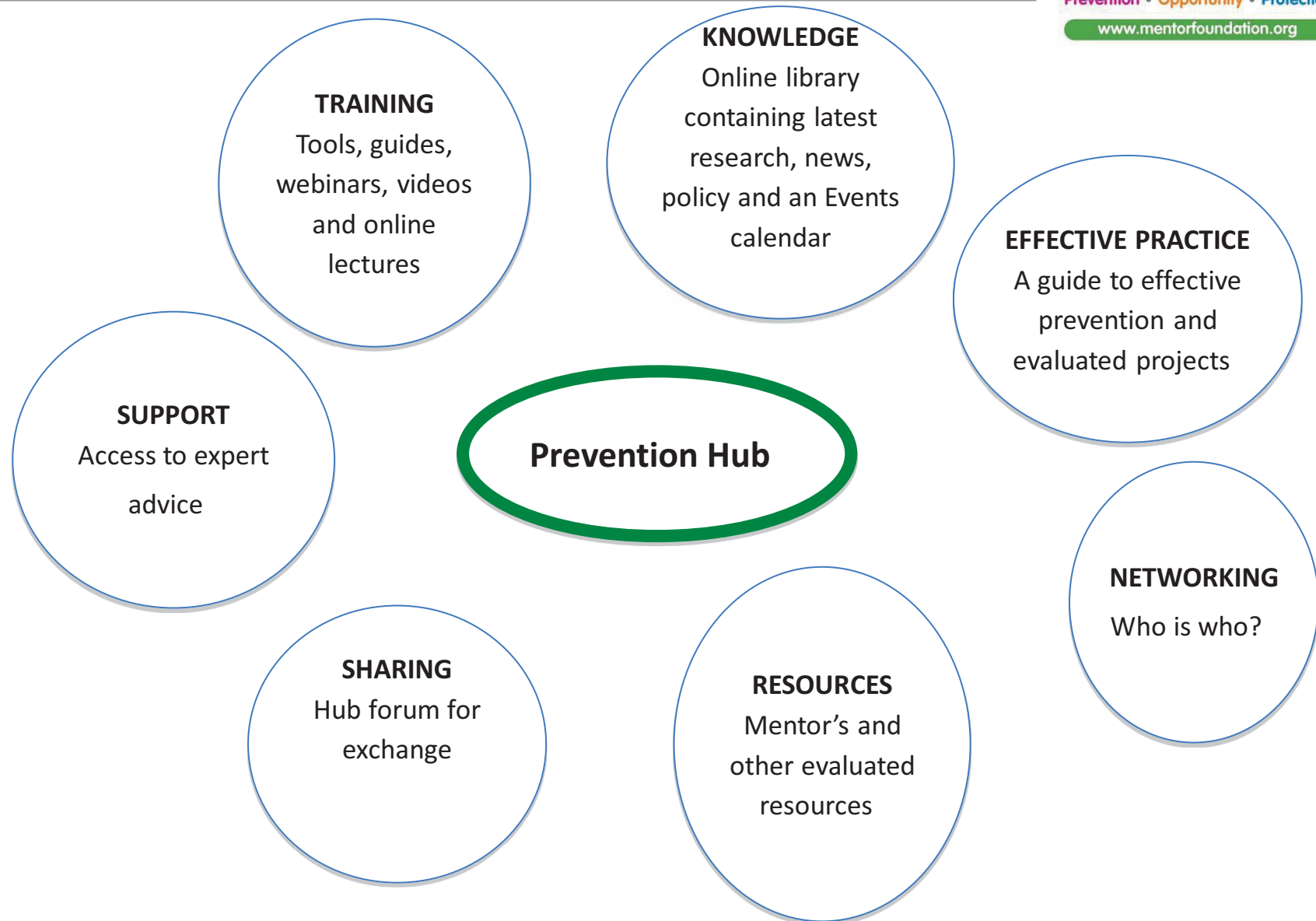


Why the Prevention Hub?



A focal point for sharing research,
policy and best practice –
the Prevention Hub builds
networks and supports the
global drug prevention community

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Prevention Hub - Knowledge

KNOWLEDGE

Online library
containing latest
research, news,
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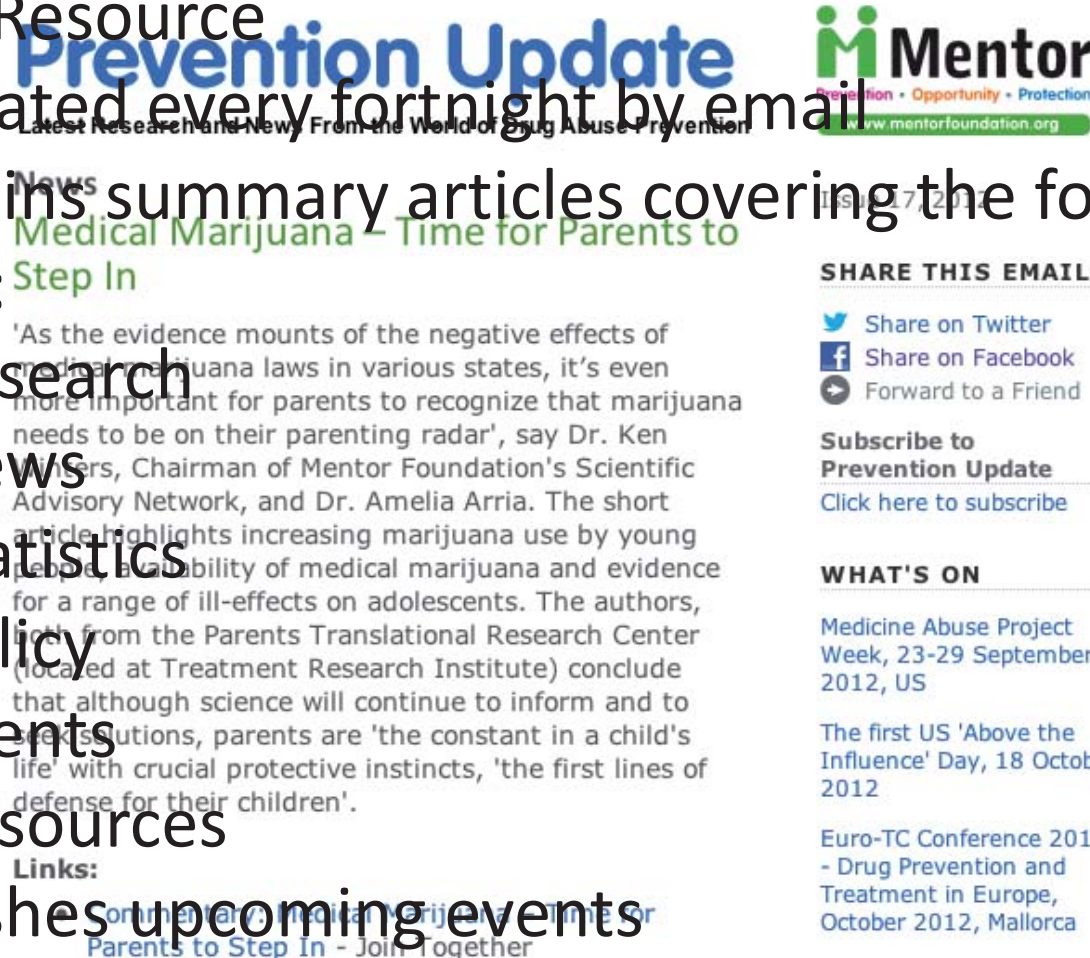
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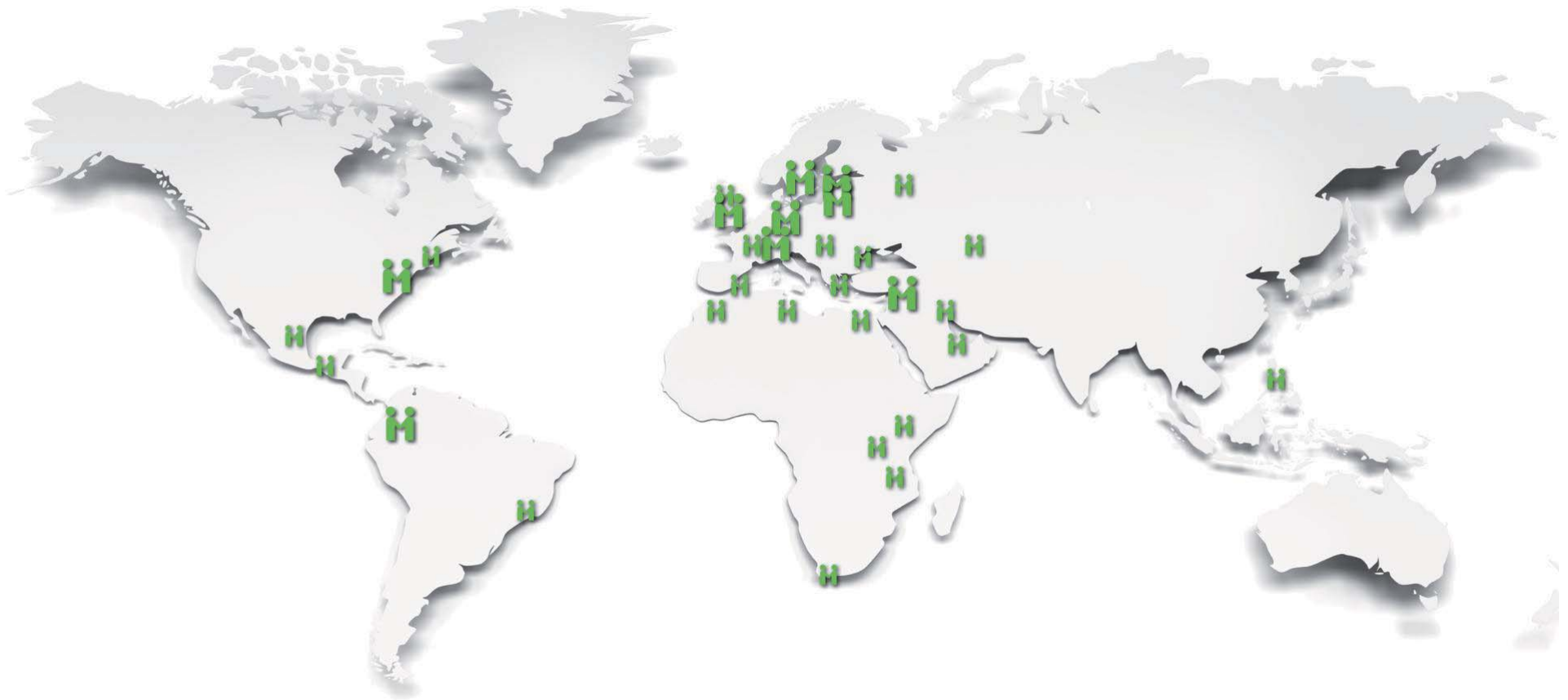


The promotion of the need for effective drug prevention



Ultimate Impact

Global spread of effective practice



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Accessibility to the latest news and research from the field



Ultimate Impact



Appropriate training to workers on the ground



Ultimate Impact



Informed policy makers



Ultimate Impact

Science meets the practitioner – exchange that enables science to be delivered directly to practitioners and for practitioners to inform scientists



Ultimate Impact

Support to all 'ask any question'



Ultimate Impact

Ultimately - effective prevention being delivered to young people



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Latest Research and News From the World of Drug Abuse Prevention

News

Medical Marijuana – Time for Parents to Step In

'As the evidence mounts of the negative effects of medical marijuana laws in various states, it's even more important for parents to recognize that marijuana needs to be on their parenting radar', say Dr. Ken Winters, Chairman of Mentor Foundation's Scientific Advisory Network, and Dr. Amelia Arria. The short article highlights increasing marijuana use by young people, availability of medical marijuana and evidence for a range of ill-effects on adolescents. The authors, both from the Parents Translational Research Center (located at Treatment Research Institute) conclude that although science will continue to inform and to seek solutions, parents are 'the constant in a child's life' with crucial protective instincts, 'the first lines of defense for their children'.

Links:

- [Commentary: Medical Marijuana – Time for Parents to Step In - Join Together](#)



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- Drug Prevention and
Treatment in Europe,
October 2012, Mallorca](#)

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Who is working in Drug Abuse Prevention?

View

Summary

Mentor is building a directory of organisations working in the field of Drug Prevention.

You can browse the directory by country using the map below, or by selecting one of the categories.

We will shortly begin accepting submissions to the directory. If you would like your organisation to be included, please email us at info@mentorfoundation.org and we'll notify you once submissions are open.

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- Professional Body or Journal
- Regional
- World

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- Policy
- Projects
- Research
- School / College

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- Prevention Practitioners
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Most first time prescription drug abusers supplied by family or friends...

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- Comment on articles and research being published
- Send us research and learning from your areas of interest

Feedback so far...



The Prevention Hub looks great, something the field needs and something that fits with all the other efforts being made internationally to move prevention science and evidence-based practice forward.

-Zili Sloboda, Sc.D. Director, Research and Development JBS International. Inc.

Thanks for the updates. Its true Parents need to be brought on Board for a successful drug use prevention programme!

OTAL McBERNARD Executive Director Kawempe Youth Development Association

My colleagues liked the idea of the prevention hub and connecting it to our activities and publications. Your prevention update is already a good publication: short, beefy and up-to-date.

Gregor Burkhart, MD, MPH Senior scientific analyst < Prevention Interventions, best practice and scientific partners unit EMCDDA

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that helps the helpers in drug
prevention safeguard our youth***