

News story: PHE announces areas for IPS alcohol and drug dependency trial

Seven areas to take part in individual placement and support (IPS) trial for drugs or alcohol dependency in community treatment services.

Public Health England (PHE) has announced the 7 local authority areas that have been selected to take part in a randomised controlled trial of individual placement and support (IPS) for people in or dependent on either drugs, alcohol or both in community treatment services.

The IPS-AD trial is being funded by the joint Department for Work and Pensions, and Department of Health Work and Health Unit. The 7 local authority areas that have been selected to take forward the trial are:

- Birmingham
- Blackpool
- Brighton and Hove
- Derbyshire
- Haringey
- Sheffield
- Staffordshire

A large-scale IPS pilot for people with barriers to employment relating to substance misuse was one of the main recommendations made by Dame Carol Black in her 2016 report [An independent review into the impact on employment outcomes of drug or alcohol addiction, and obesity](#).