

Matsqui-Abbotsford IMPACT Society



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Scenario #1

Dave is a 16-year-old high school student who has been referred to you, a substance use counselor, by his school counsellor. Dave has been experimenting with marijuana for the past year and recently started using it more frequently with his friends. His grades have started to decline, and he's been getting into arguments with his parents about his behavior. Dave is defensive when confronted about his marijuana use and insists that it's just "harmless fun". How would you approach working with a youth who is in precontemplation about their relationship with substances?

Scenario #2

Amanda is a 15 year old youth you have been working with as a substance use counsellor. She regularly engages with substances that leave her at high risk in the toxic drug crisis. The naloxone kit you have provided her has been confiscated by her guardian. How do you move forward in this situation, while respecting Amanda's confidentiality?

Scenario #3

How do we engage youth
in conversations and
education regarding Harm
Reduction in the current
political climate?

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