



Component

Drug Awareness L1

(T/616/5993) For use in AIM centres

Component level	1
Component guided learning hours (GLH)	27
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Component sector	14.1 Foundations for Learning and Life

Component summary

This component aims to introduce learners to the types of drug available, their effect on users and the impact of drug misuse on those linked to drug user, the user's own health and finally, issues associated with withdrawal from drug use.

This component has **seven** learning outcomes

1	Know about the differences between types of drugs
2	Know the causes of drug misuse
3	Know about the physical and psychological effects of drug misuse
4	Understand the impact that drug misuse may have on others
5	Understand the health issues associated with drug misuse
6	Know the effects of withdrawing from drugs
7	Know about agencies offering help and information on drug misuse

Summary of assessment

This component is assessed through an internally set, internally marked, and externally verified portfolio of evidence. Our expectations on assessment and the evidence we require is detailed in the AIM Specification available on our website (www.aimgroup.org.uk).

Centres must devise assessment activities to meet the assessment criteria below if the assessment is by a portfolio of evidence:

Learning outcomes	Assessment criteria
The learner must:	The learner must be able to:
1. Know about the differences between types of drugs	1.1 Identify at least two different types of drugs e.g. stimulants and depressants 1.2 Classify those identified drugs e.g. Class A, Class B etc
2. Know the causes of drug misuse	2.1 Identify possible reasons as to why people may misuse drugs
3. Know about the physical and psychological effects of drug misuse	3.1 Identify some of the physical and psychological effects of drug misuse

4. Understand the impact that drug misuse may have on others	4.1 List some of the effects that drug misuse may have on others e.g. family, friends and society
5. Understand the health issues associated with drug misuse	5.1 Identify some of the ways in which drug misuse can have an impact on health e.g. HIV, hepatitis B and C, mental health, sexual health etc.
6. Know the effects of withdrawing from drugs	6.1 Identify at least two effects of withdrawing from drugs
7. Know about agencies offering help and information on drug misuse	7.1 Identify sources of help and information in relation to drug misuse

The following assessment methods can be used in the assessment of this component:

- Written tasks/questions and answers
- Oral questions and answers
- Group discussion
- Learner log/reflective journal
- Observation of practical ability
- Expert witness evidence
- Professional discussion
- Report

This list is not exhaustive and other appropriate assessment methods may be used.

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Notes

It is expected that before the component is delivered, the Tutor/Assessor will have read the Qualification Specification to ensure all conditions regarding Rules of Combination, delivery, assessment and internal quality assurance are fulfilled.