Response to overdose in public setting

Chu Fung Yu Kai Ming Sparkle

Caritas - Hong Kong



Physical setting – OD places





Corridor

VIP Room



Physical setting – OD places





Street Corner







Outside Disco



Myths on Overdose

- 飲檸啡/檸檬茶/奶
- 聞薄荷油 / 白花油
- ■含檸檬
- 按穴位 虎口、人中





Consideration and balancing acts

- Assessing OD person
- Safety place
- Action taken
- Handling other personnel
- Handling difficult cases





Assessing OD person

- Gender
- Consciousness
- Accompany
- Action by disco staff



Safety places

- A flat surface / a chair
- Good ventilation
- Non-smoking area
- Semi-open area
 - A street corner with shelter
 - A small area in carpark
 - A small place near disco exit
 - Play Safe mobile van

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Action taken

- Equipment
- Notice
- ABC
- Clearance of area
- Position
- Accompany
- Handling his/ her friends
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Handling other personnel

- Friends
- Disco staff
- Police





Handling difficult cases

- When to call ambulance?
- When to let them go?
- How to handle resistant target



Conclusion

- Low awareness on safer drug use in HK
- Concept of harm reduction still not well recognized and not widely applied in HK
- A symbol of "love and care"





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