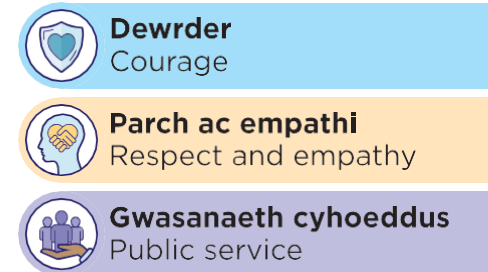


# Drug Out Of Court Disposal (OOCDD) Project

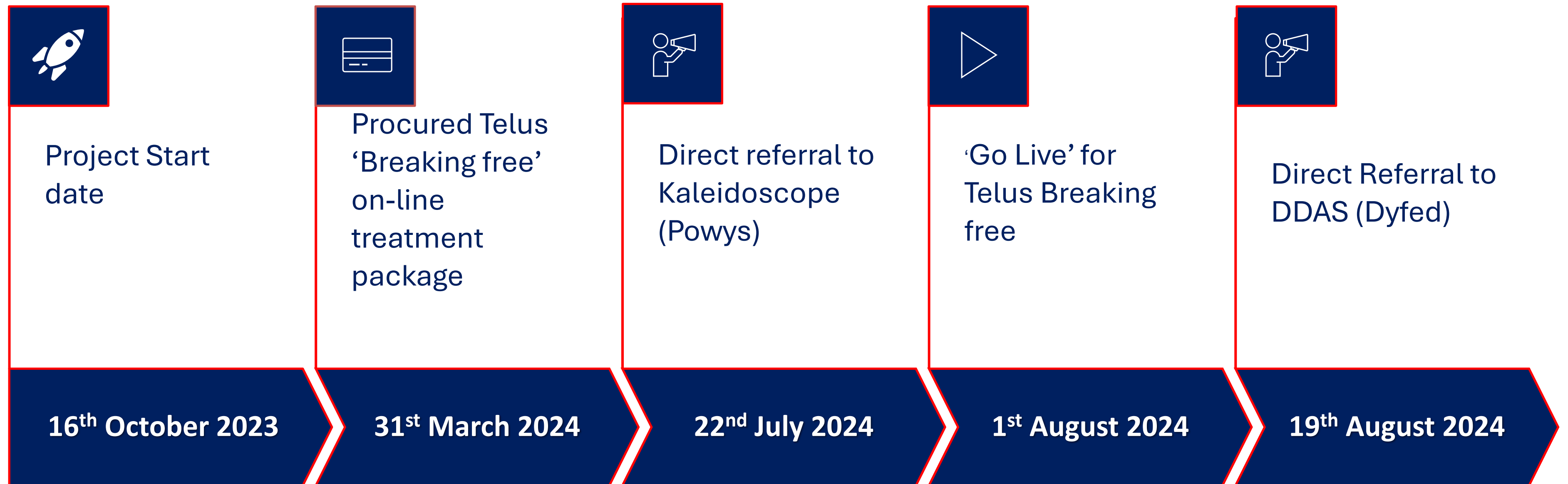


# Project Aims

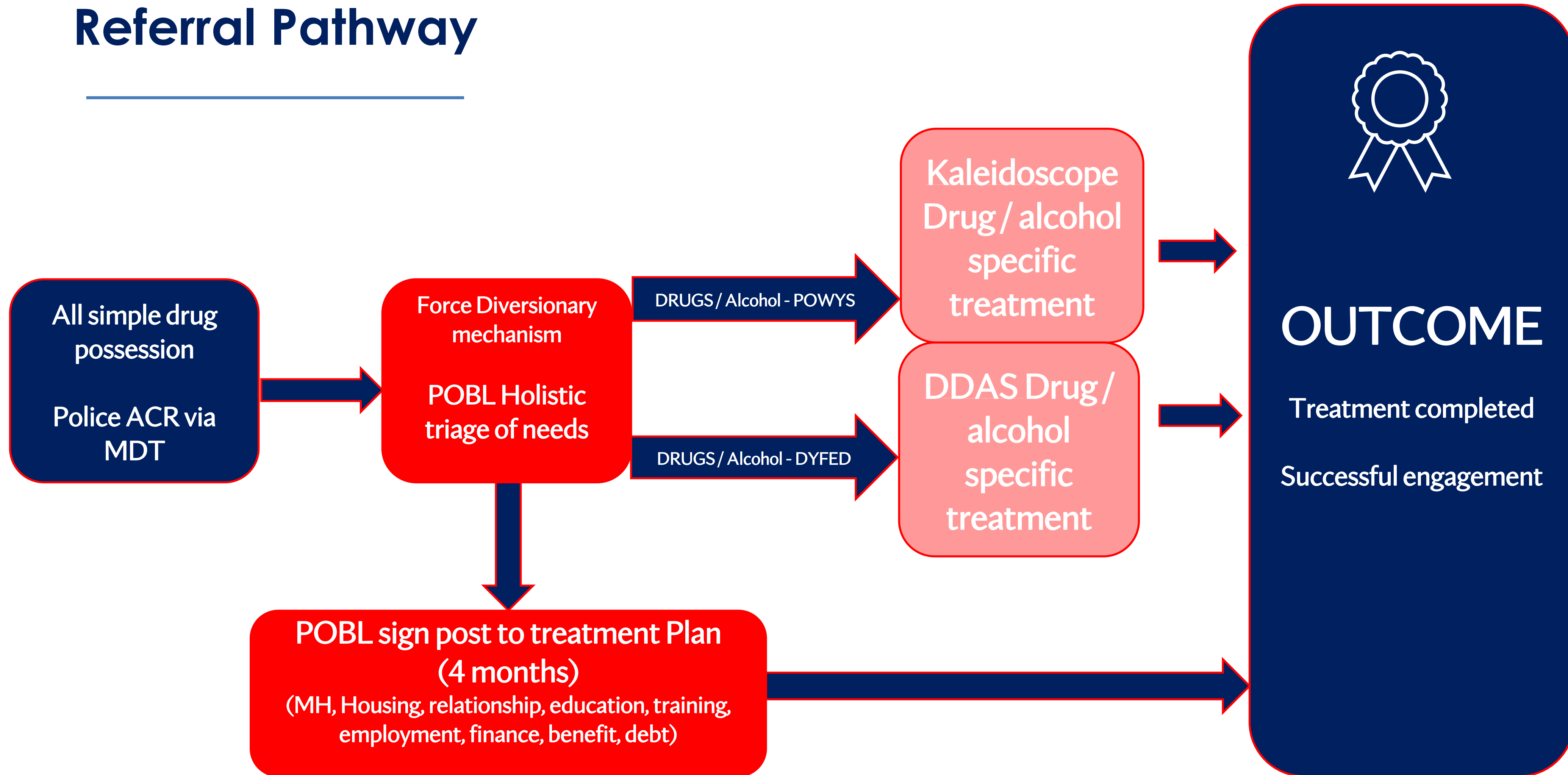


- 1. Diversion & Treatment** - Increase numbers sign posted to meaningful treatment – reduce the demand of drugs to reduce the appeal of supply in our communities.
- 2. Increase capacity** – Police and partners.
- 3. Manage demand** – Reduce delays and caseloads

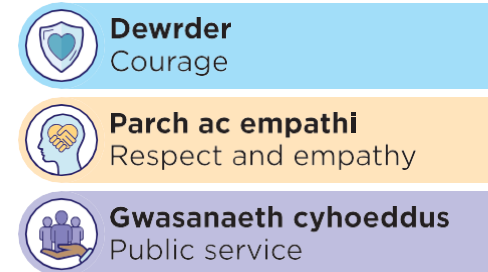
# Project Timeline Key Milestones



# Referral Pathway



# Evaluation – Is it working?



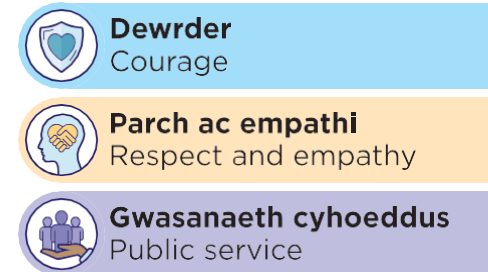
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- **868** referrals to date (as of Oct 24)
- **686** referrals closed (as of Oct 24)
- **182** referrals still 'open' (received within 3 months)
- **561** of 686 completed treatment and diversion - **81.7%** engagement rate – diversion treatment plan completed.
- Average of **72** referrals per month (increase from SPLY)



Source: POBL data Oct 23 – Oct 24

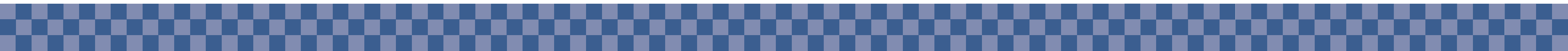
# Evaluation – Is it working?




- Drug Possession outcome 8 (ACR) has increased from **45.12%** (Sept 23) to **80.95%** (Oct 24) – a **+55%** increase.
- Each ACR is an electronically automated referral to diversion – thus, a **+55%** increase in diversion and opportunities for individuals to seek treatment.
- As can be seen from later slides – ‘challenges’ and ‘Next steps’ there are opportunities to increase these gains further.

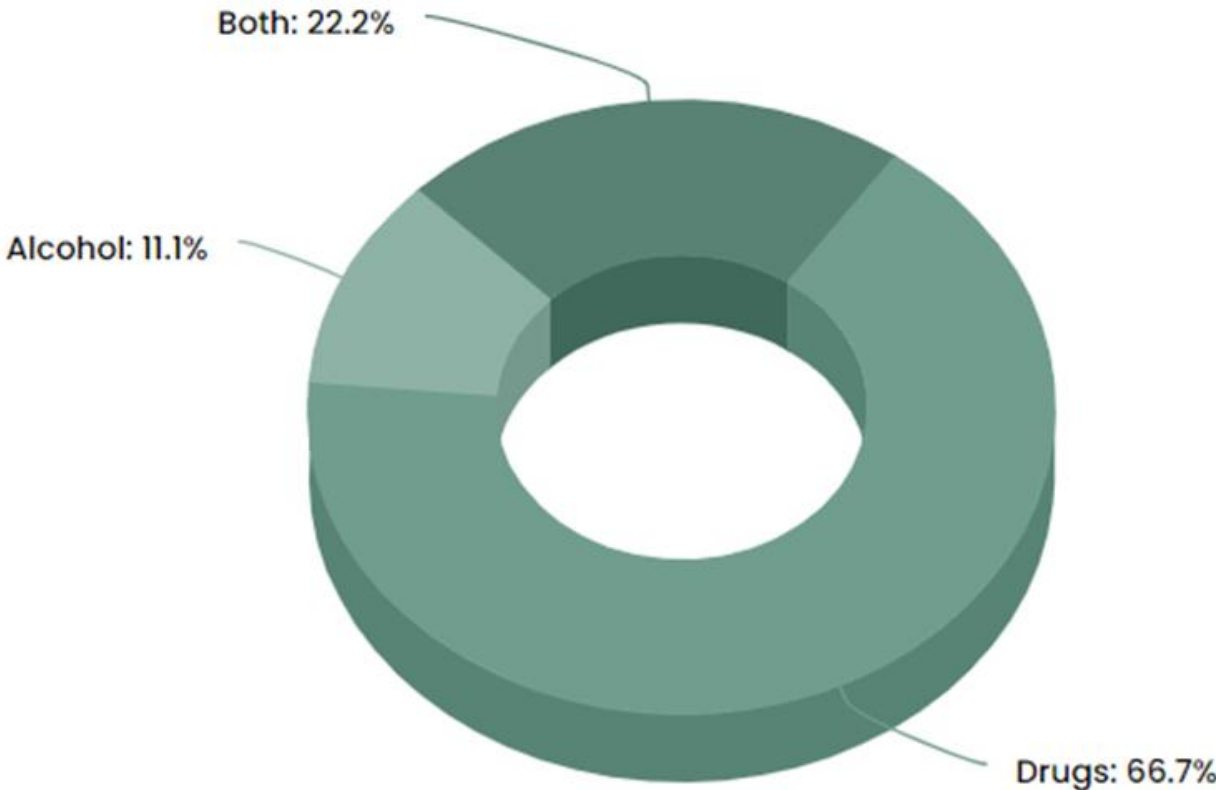


# Breaking Free




# Evidence base – ‘Breaking free’ online


Intervention pathways 

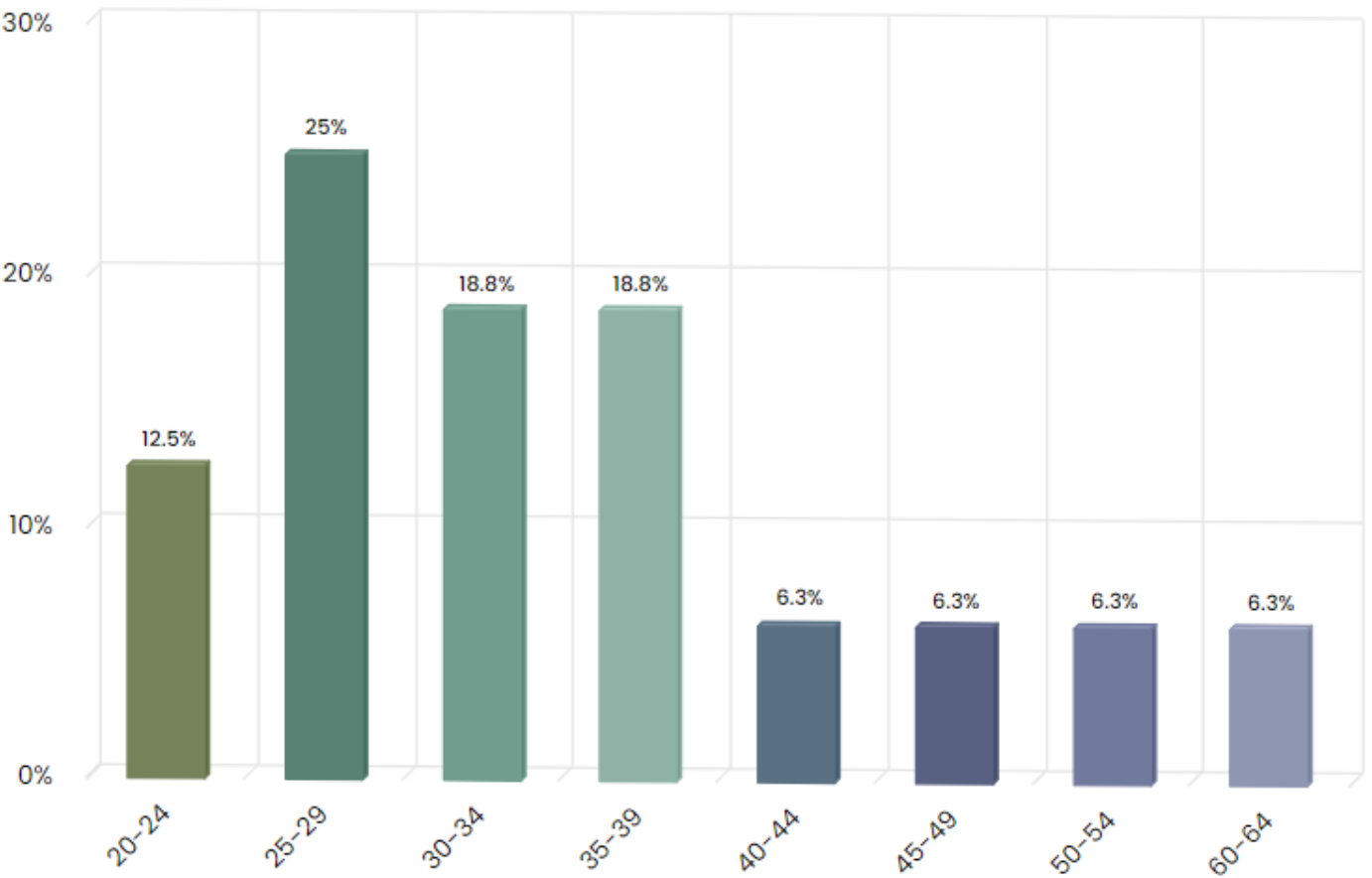



Focus of interventions

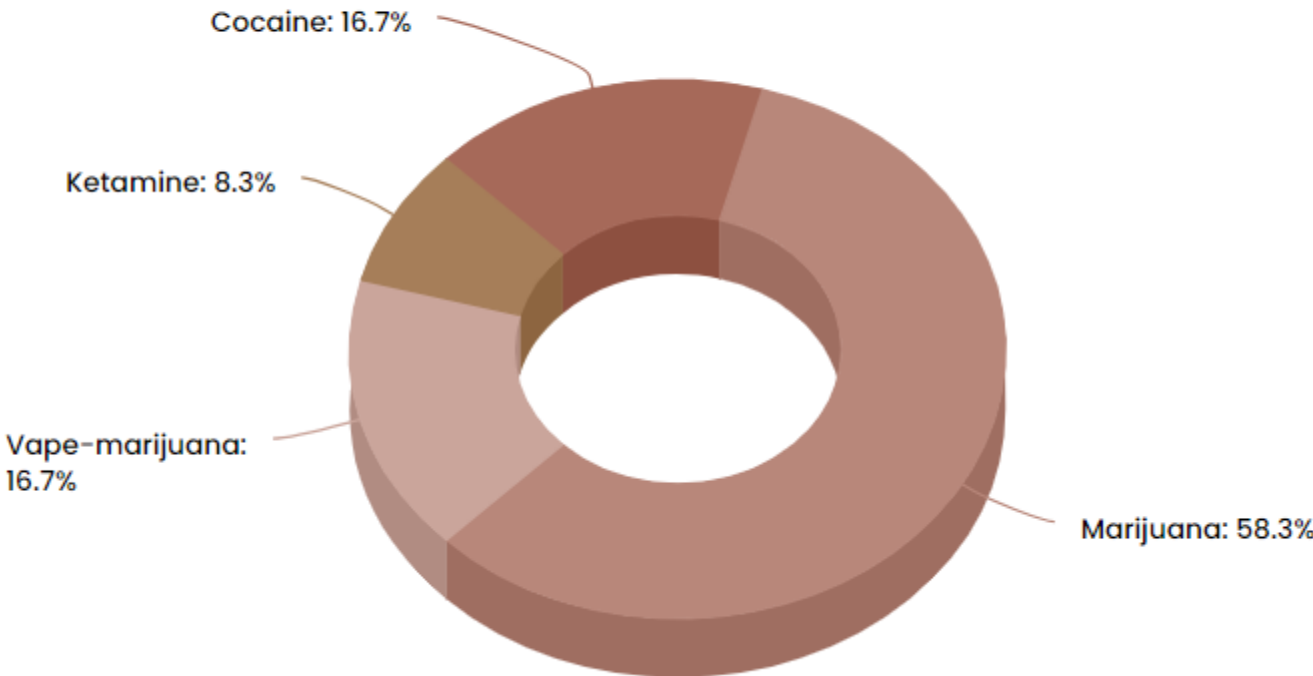
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Demographic profile

Age 




Main problem substance: drug profile 

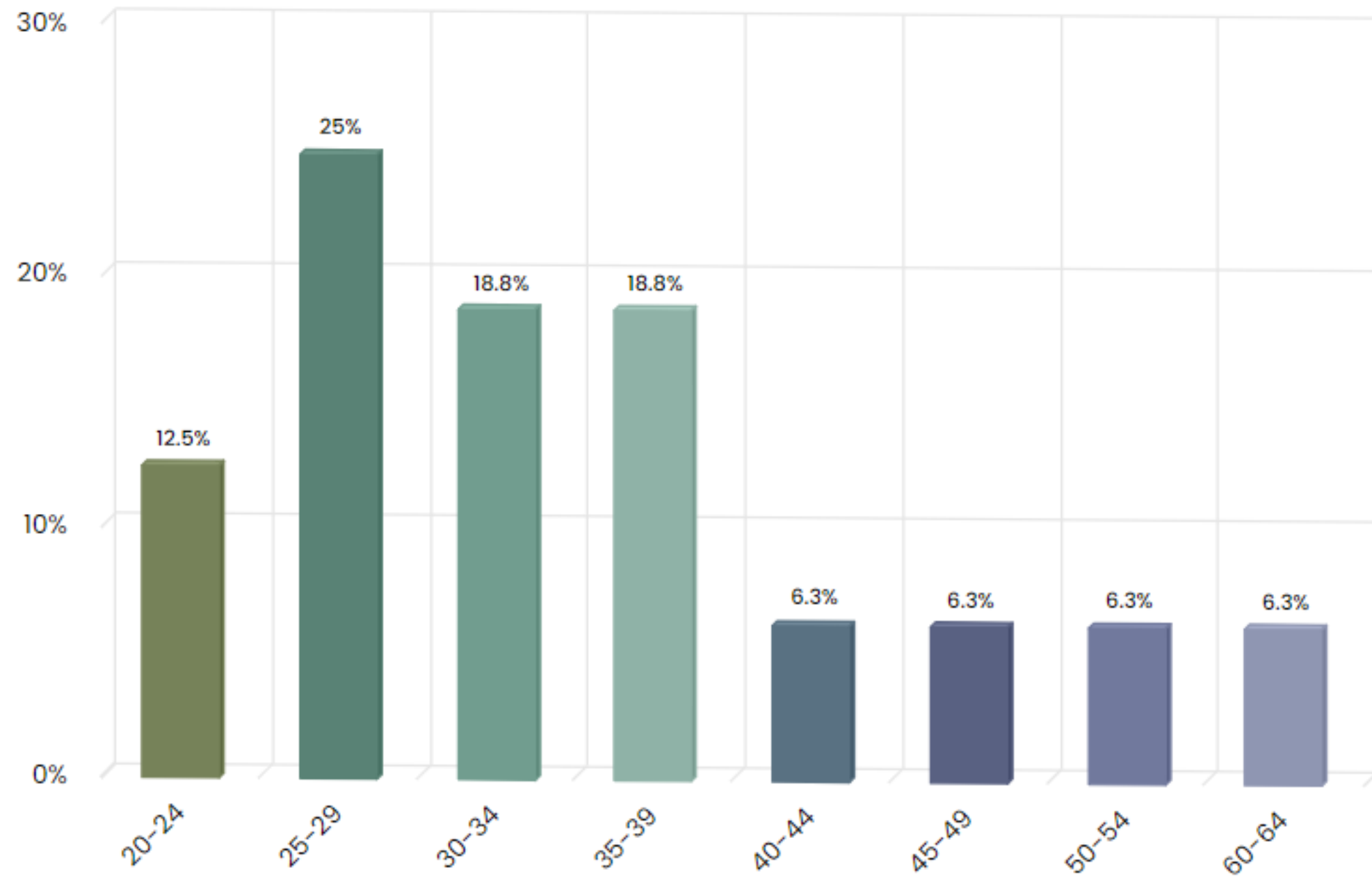





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Demographic profile

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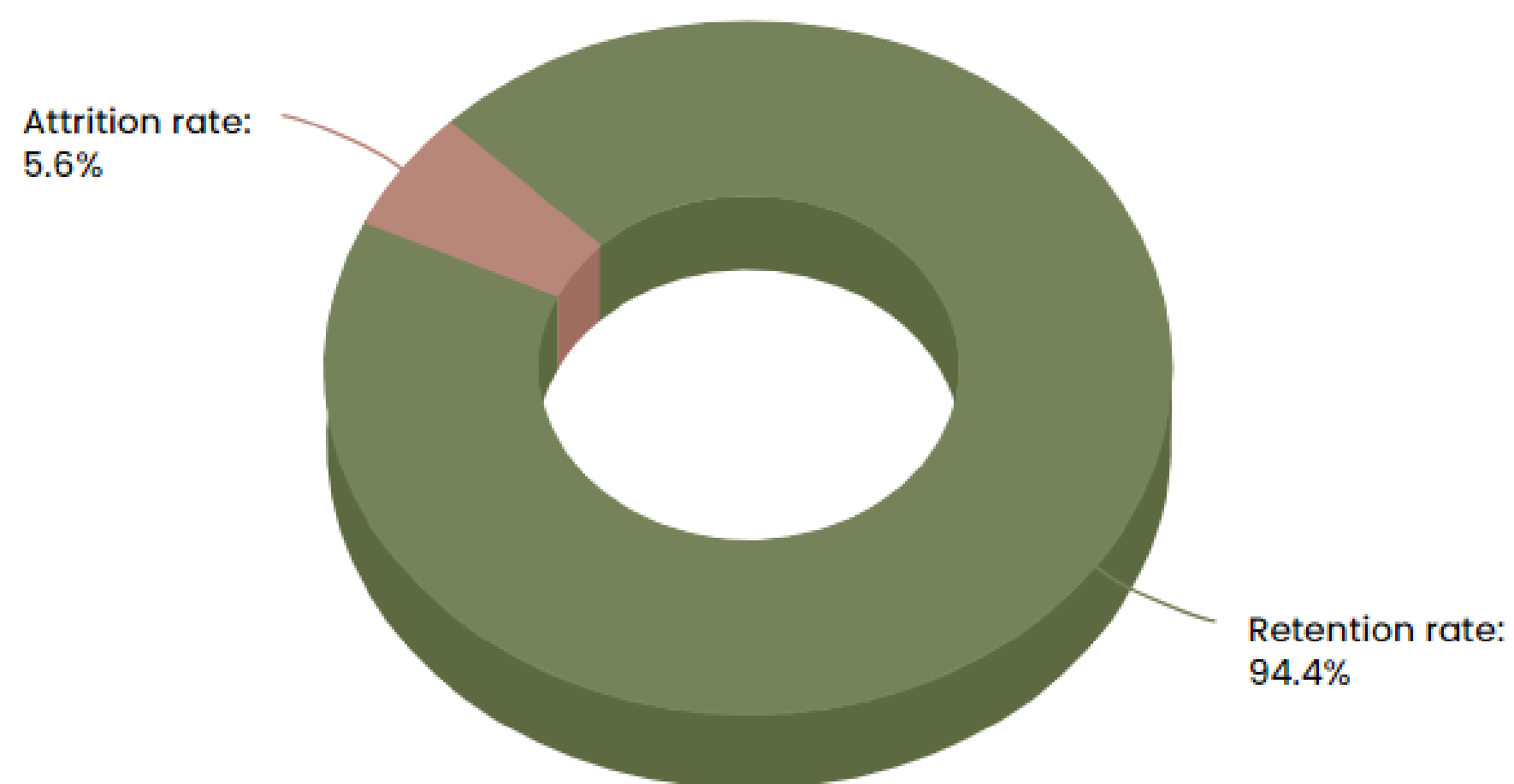
Intervention access

Times of day when interventions are accessed 



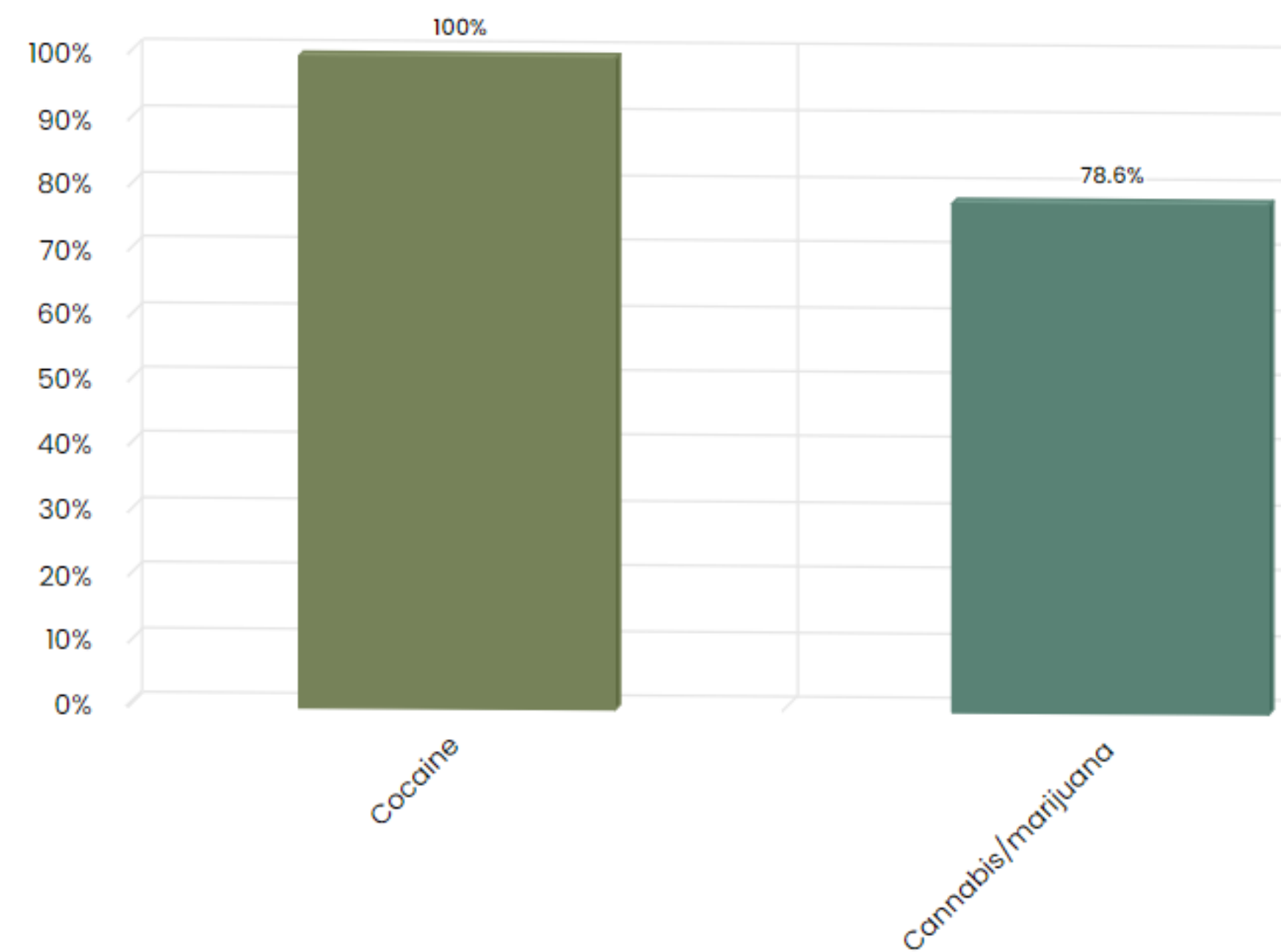
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## Active engagement in behaviour change interventions

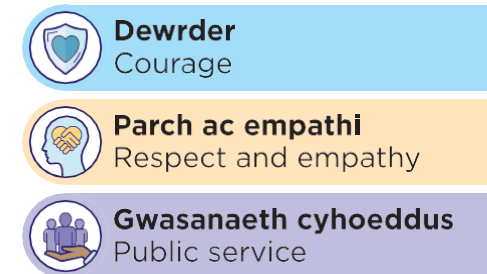


## Recovery progression

### Measurable reductions in substance use



# Evaluation – Is it working?



## *2. Increase capacity of police officers to be more proactive, targeting drug dealers and/or other force priorities.*

- Monthly volumes of Possession **(+58%)** and trafficking offences **(+39%)** have increased since Oct 23
- Drug trafficking offence charge rate (outcome 1) has improved since October 23 **(+15%)** – Intended consequences.
- The **863** ACR referrals for simple possession would likely have resulted in arrest, custody episode and file prep (*circa 5 hours officer time v 10 mins on the street*).  
**A saving of an estimated 4,315 policing hours (180 days)** that afforded opportunity to focus on other priorities.

# Evaluation – Is it working?



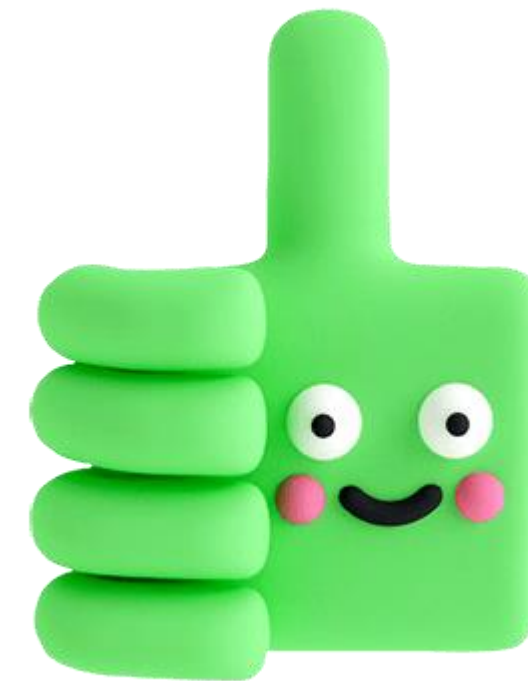
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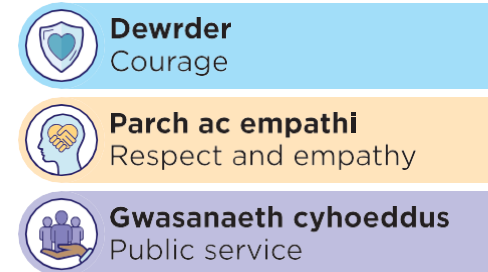
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**3. Reduce CJ Delays** – *Less ‘open’ Drug trafficking investigations – expedite prosecutions and criminal justice outcomes for the more harmful offenders*

- Open Drug Crime Investigations has reduced since October 2023 – 599 (Oct 23) to 323 (Oct 24) – a **-53% reduction**



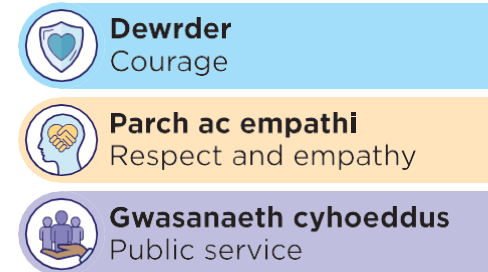
# Challenges



1. **Performance** of drug specific treatment partners (DDAS / Kaleidoscope) – Improve engagement rates and engagement with ‘Breaking free’ online treatment provision (procured with external funding for 3 years – until March 2027)
2. **Capturing Quantitative data** – evidence success – evidence of service user diversion from drug use / crime – reduction in demand. Have cycles been broken – how many are drug free.
3. **Momentum of Project** – longevity of Drugs Policy and public health approach (New Government, APB, Force and OPCC continued support). Pilot project to documented policy.
4. **Public scrutiny** – OPCC OOCOD scrutiny panel – perception surrounding approach – reputational issues



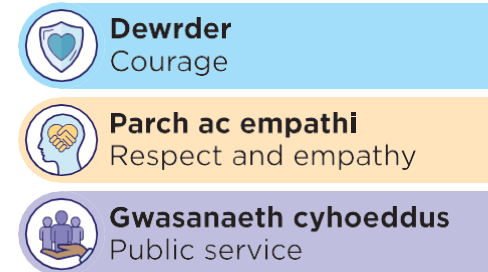
# Next Steps



1. Project board will focus on **improving engagement performance**
2. **Better utilisation of 'breaking free'**. Small sample size to date evidences value and fills gap of those non-resident in Dyfed Powys.
3. Referral volumes are directly linked to police proactivity – influence and encourage **police behaviour**
4. Project board will seek to **capture Quantitative data** (service users, partners, health experts) and evidence of diversion ('breaking cycles' of dependency and criminality)
5. **Funded full Independent evaluation** of the project when engagement with 'breaking free' matures to provide bigger sample size and drug treatment commissioned services engagement rates improve (within 6-12 months).



# Next Steps



- Developing police and partner **outreach initiative** – ‘Meet the street’, police and partners at door – target known drug dependant individuals – influence and encourage to take up treatment (pilot ongoing @ Llandrindod – 50% take up)
- **Maximise opportunities via DTOA** – Increased focus. DTOA co-Ordinator recruited & DDAS presence at custody. October 2024, Moved to Intelligence led testing rather than ‘trigger offences’ – improving positive test results – 67% of tests are now positive from around 40% previously. Fail to appears / breaches are pursued (consequence of failing to attend pursued as DTOA legislative).

# Questions?

