

Addicted parents and their children : An innovative response to the parent child relationship : Trait d'Union

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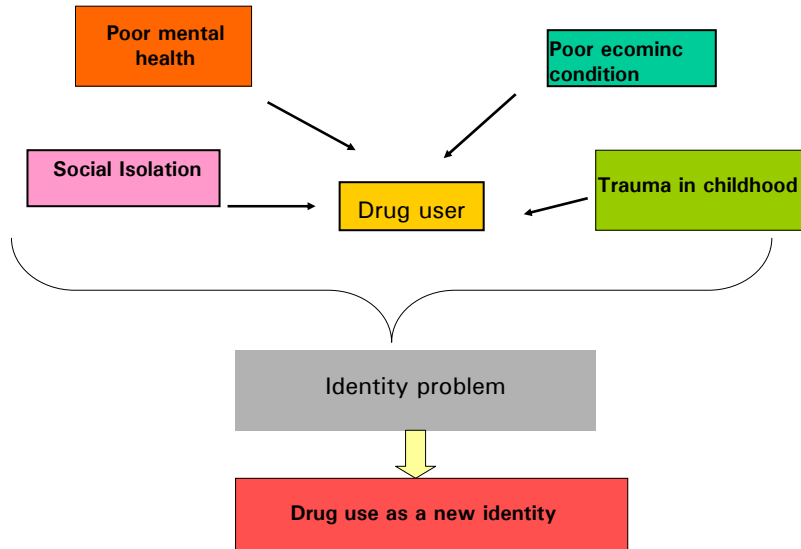
Who are the clients of Trait d'union ?

What are the objectives of Trait d'union ?

How does Trait d'union relate to similar services ?

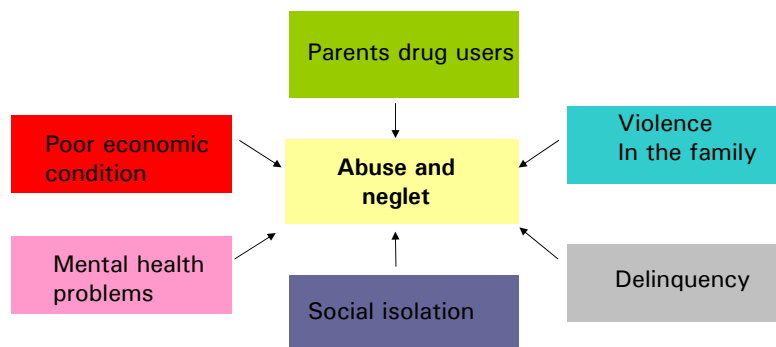
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Problems of the parent



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Child confronted to



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The objectives of Trait d'union

- Bring the parent to step back from the attention to the substance and
- Give priority to the child
- Favour the parent child relationship
- Prevent the parent isolation
- Pay attention to the socialization of the child.

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The device

- Welcomes parents and children under 6 years
- Staff : two psychologists
- Open 5 days a week at certain hours
- Offers a whole range of activities

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Activities

Food workshops
The parents' coffee hour, « Café Parents »
Musical awareness
Relaxation for mothers
Child care
Monthly tea time
Contact centre for separated parents

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Characteristics

- Child at the centre of the intervention
- Delimited physical space
- Parents are expected to act as parents

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Which family model ?

- Privatization of the parental role
- Parents are expected to be present to their children

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Specific difficulties :

- Parents are hesitant to attend the service on a volunteer base
- Their commitment is inconsistent
- More involved with themselves than with their child

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