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National Anti-Drug Secretariat

# DRUG AND ALCOHOL TREATMENT IN THE BAHAMAS

## NATIONAL ANTI-DRUG SECRETARIAT (NADS)

\* NADS is the principal national body for building coherence and cooperation among Government entities, NGOs and community organization for a holistic, balanced and cooperative approach to the country's multifaceted drug problem.

## TYPES OF DRUG TREATMENT

\* The following types of drug treatment are employed in The Bahamas: detox, outpatient and residential treatment.

Drug and alcohol treatment is offered by the Government and private treatment facilities.



#### SANDILANDS REHABILITATION CENTRE



# STAFF PROFILE



SRC provides psychiatric, geriatric and substance abuse services.

\* It is The Bahamas' national drug treatment facility and is located in New Providence.

SRC has a staff complement of 850 and is comprised primarily of two (2) hospitals.

SRC has two (2) Substance Abuse Units, namely Detoxification and Lignum Vitae Unit.

The <u>Detox Unit</u> has 23 Bed capacity; with housing capacity for 13 Males and 10 Females.

Upon admission, the client detox for a 2-4 weeks period.

Lignum Vitae Unit has a 20 Bed capacity and houses males for alcoholic and other substances.

Females are not housed in this unit but attend treatment sessions.

Males over 17yrs old are the predominate clients.

\* The length of time for treatment is six months.

Clients can receive individual counseling, group therapy, spiritual awareness, family therapy.

Clients also receive occupational and recreational therapy.

- Clients are remanded to Sandilands by the court.
- Self referrals, Community Counseling and Assessment Centre, private physicians and community clinics;
- Before admission, clients have to carry out a complete medical at Princes Margaret hospital to asses their physical health status.

# DRUG TREATMENT IN THE BAHAMAS

**\*** BASH, Teen Challenge, Great Commission and The Haven. (Social detox)





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