## IMPLEMENTING THE STANDARDIZED DATA COLLECTION INSTRUMENT FOR DRUG TREATMENT FACILITIES

The Trinidad and Tobago Experience



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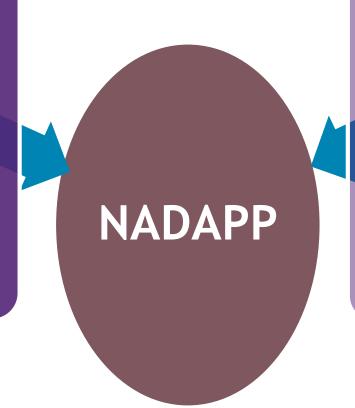
DRUG ABUSE

PREVENTION PROGRAMME



#### National Alcohol & Drug Abuse Prevention Programme

**Central** coordinating agency with the responsibility for drug demand reduction in T&T



Mandate is to develop, coordinate, facilitate, implement & evaluate national efforts in the prevention & reduction of drug use



#### MAIN ACTIVITY CYCLE

- Primary School Surveys
- Secondary School Surveys

Public Education &

Information Dissemination

- Trinity Smart
- Primary School Initiatives
- Secondary School Interventions
- Workplace
- Communities

- Maintaining relationships with NGO's
- Data collection

Treatment & Rehabilitation

Research



# POLICY FORMATION & EVALUATION

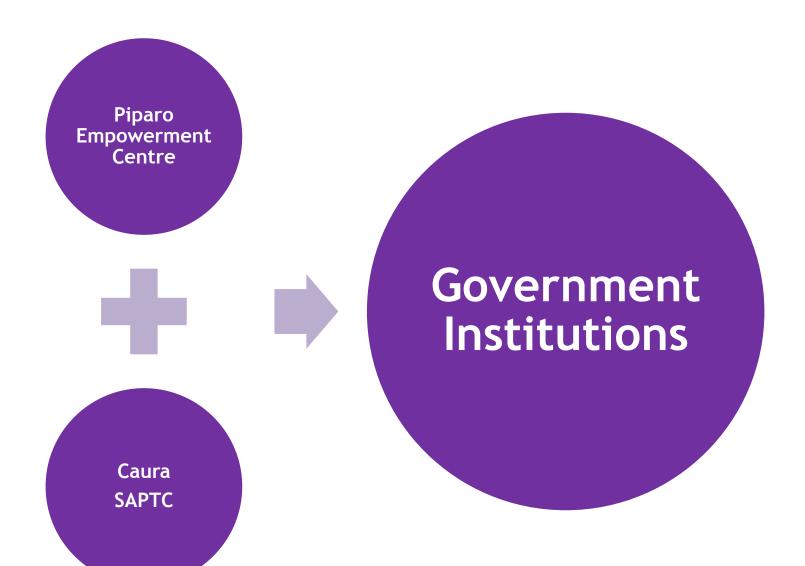




## PILOT

## PROJECT

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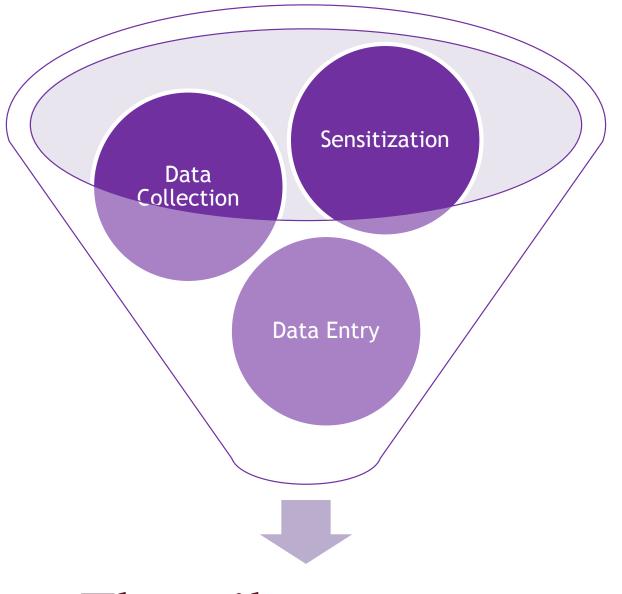




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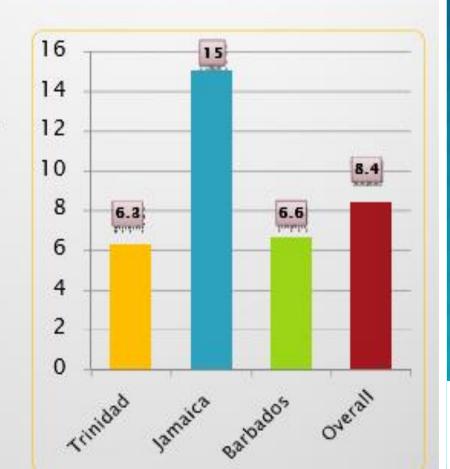


## The pilot process



#### Figure 3: Socio-demographics - Deportation

- A total of 43 clients overall (8.4%) indicated deportation. The largest proportion being in Jamaica (18/120 or 15%).
  - Trinidad 17/268 (6.3%)
  - Barbados 8/122 (6.6%)
- Not-stated rate was notable high for Barbados (19%) compared to Trinidad (3%) and Jamaica less than 1%.





#### Figure 1: Socio-demographics - Gender

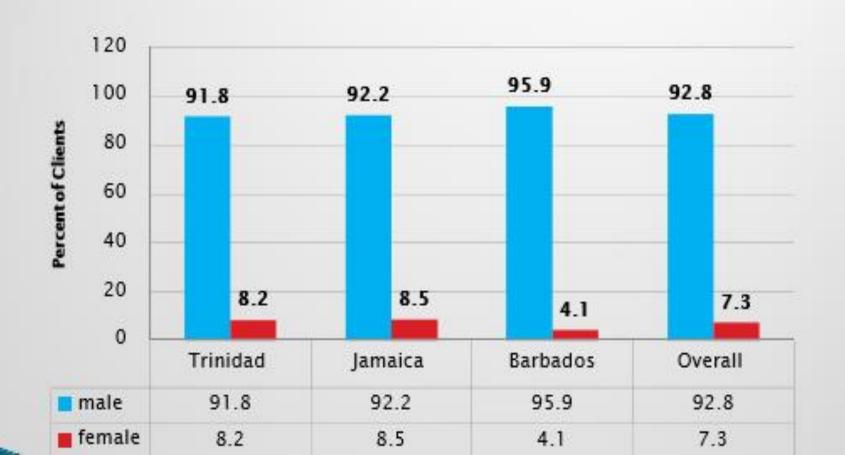




Figure 4: Socio-demographics - Education Level Attained

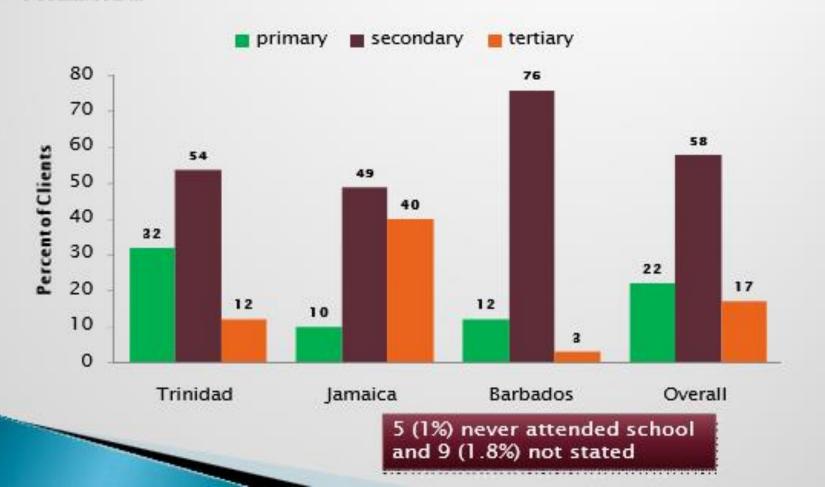




Figure 9: Current Substance Use-Main Substance Impacting Treatment





### SUCCESSES

 Much anticipated project is finally being rolled out.

Enthusiasm

#### Ease of Use

 Instrument is easy to use, straightforward & similar to existing intake forms  Instruction sheet is clear and concise

Clarity



## CHALLENGES

Lack of interest / unfamiliarity

Patient Code (Sometimes unavailable)

Determining 'Main Substance for Which Treatment is Being Sought'



#### AMENDMENTS TO THE FORM

Q7. Residence Q. 11 Marital Status Q. 17

No Fixed Place of Abode

Common - law

Secondary Substance for which treatment is being sought



#### ROLL - OUT

11 participating centres

 Forms continue to be submitted with errors

 Not all centres adhere to the deadline for submission



#### **ROLL - OUT**

### **UNWILLINGNESS:**

Existing Intake form

Transition

Standardized Intake Form



#### NATIONAL DRUG COUNCIL

## Sponsorship of Notebooks to Treatment & Rehabilitation Service Providers





## THANK YOU!

