

# INTRODUCTION

This presentation serves to inform you about the Guyana Drug Information Network (GUY-DIN)

- A brief description of the Network;
- Its key stakeholders;
- And an overview of the indicators that GUY-DIN is guided by

### GUYANA DRUG INFORMATION NETWORK

Planning for the DIN started in 2006 but the first meeting was held in 2009 and was chaired by the Head of the Policy Research Unit of the Ministry of Public Security before being subsumed under NANA.

Its mission is to develop national drug information systems and foster systematic research on the drug problem for the purpose of monitoring trends, developing policy, and implementing appropriate programmes and responses.

# **CORE FUNCTIONS OF THE DIN**

- 1. Create an interactive network of counter-drug professionals and agencies.
- 2. Identification of national sources of drug information.
- 3. Develop a standardized data collection system and reporting of information for policy and programme development
- 4. Conduct data collection and monitoring at the national level.
- 5. Analyze and interpret the data and information collected.
- 6. Conduct quarterly network meetings.

### Key Stakeholders (GUY-DIN)

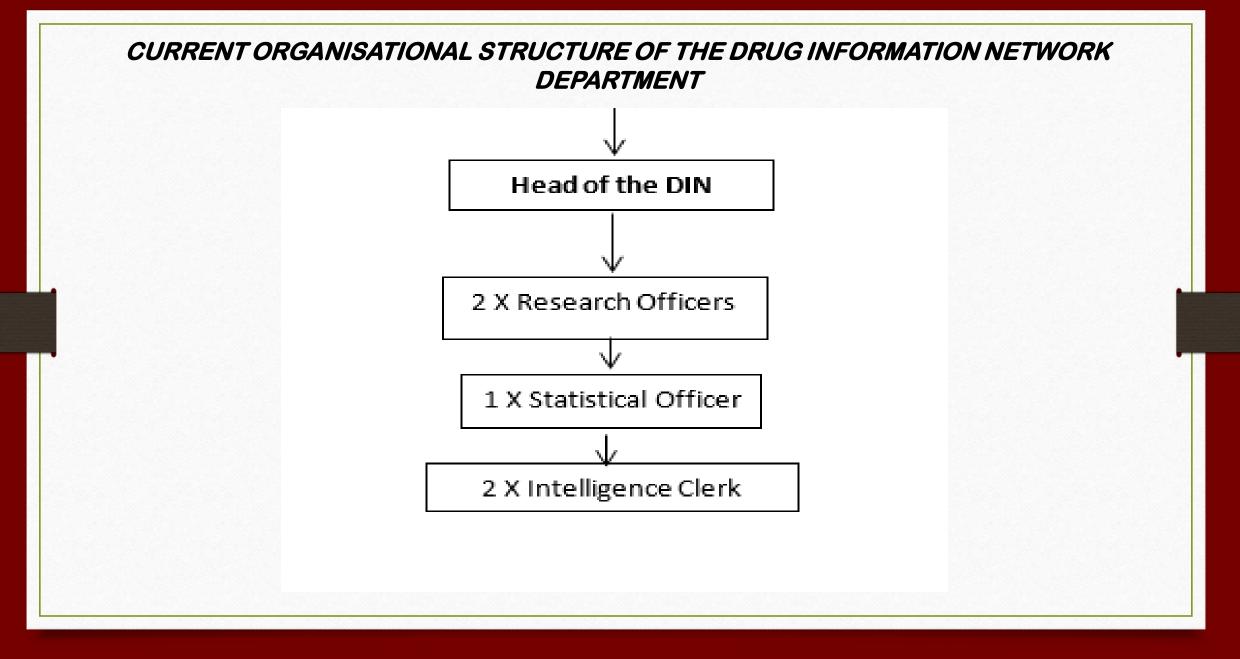
- Treatment Facilities
  - i. Phoenix Recovery Project
  - ii. Salvation Army Men's Social Service
  - iii. Georgetown Public Hospital

#### Key Stakeholders (GUY-DIN) CONT'D

- Psychiatric Facilities
  - Georgetown Public Hospital Corporation
- Youth and Education
  - i. Ministry of Education
  - ii. Department of Culture, Youth and Sport
- NGOs

#### Key Stakeholders (GUY-DIN) CONT'D

- Law Enforcement Agencies
  - i. Ministry of Public Security (Oversight)
  - ii. Guyana Police Force
  - iii. Customs Anti-Narcotic Unit (CANU)
  - iv. Guyana Prison Service
  - v. Guyana Defence Force
  - vi. Guyana Revenue Authority, Drug Enforcement Unit
  - vii. Food and Drug Department, Ministry of Public Health



## Demand Side Indicators

- Characteristics of Persons treated by gender, age category, and substance abuse by type of drug.
- ✓ Prevention programmes
  - ✓ Ministry of Public Health
  - ✓ Ministry of Education
  - ✓ NGOs

# Supply Side Indicators

#### ✓ Drug Seizures

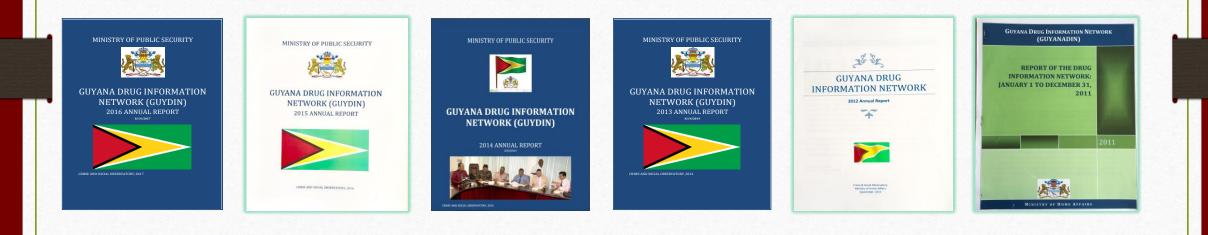
- ✓ Persons charged and convicted for drug possession
- Persons charged and convicted for drug trafficking

#### ✓ Eradication

- ✓ Quantity of drugs for which persons were convicted and remanded
- Aerial and Maritime anti-drug interdictions
- Seizures of equipment, money and real estate
- ✓ # of specialized trainings on the Control of Illicit Drug Trafficking

# Published Reports

Guyana has been publishing annual reports since 2011.



# Piloting of Standardized Indicators

Guyana is ready and able to pilot the standardized indicators with the assistance of CICAD.

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