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Scotland is widely recognised as having some of the most progressive policies for tackling homelessness in Europe. Our homelessness legislation, due for full implementation in 2012, homelessness strategies co-ordinated by local authorities combined with Health and Homelessness Standards for Health Boards together make a unique framework for action.

It is two years since the last health and homelessness conference and a lot has changed. This conference is a unique opportunity for all those with an interest in the health of people affected by homelessness to exchange ideas, make new contacts and, most importantly, drive forward better services for them.

**Who's This Event For?** This event is aimed at people working in the health and homelessness sector in both the voluntary and statutory sectors. It is aimed at those working in health, housing, social work, addictions and other related services linked to homelessness. Service users will be very welcome.

**Any Queries?** 0131 226 4382 or [www.scsh.org.uk](http://www.scsh.org.uk)

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## Programme

9:30 Registration / Coffee

10:00 Stewart Maxwell, MSP  
Minister for Communities and Sport  
Robert Aldridge  
Director, Scottish Council for Single Homeless

10:45 Coffee Break

11:15 Morning Workshops

12.30 Lunch

13.45 Tom Wood, Chair, Scottish Association of Alcohol and Drug Action Teams (SAADAT) speaking on 'How can ADATs integrate better with Health and Homelessness action plans?'

14:30 Afternoon Workshops

15.45 Tea and Close of Conference

## Morning Workshops

### 1. Community Health Partnerships and Community Planning

*Making them work for homeless people.*

Martin Moffat, Branch Head, Primary Care Development & Performance Management, Scottish Executive Health Department, Val Tweedie, Public Health Lead, Aberdeen City CHP and Janice Greig, Locality Development Co-ordinator, Glasgow Homelessness Partnership

### 2. Social Networks

*the role of informal support in assisting well-being.*

Lesley Stenhouse, Forum Co-ordinator, Scottish Social Networks

### 3. Changing Attitudes Towards Homeless People in Mainstream Services

Iain Smith, Health and Homelessness Co-ordinator and Linda Wilson, Practice Nurse Manager, Edinburgh Homeless Practice, Edinburgh Community Health Partnership

### 4. Health and Homelessness Standards

*are they still fit for purpose?*

Sue Irving, Director of Business Development, Aberdeen Cyrenians and Robert Aldridge, Director, Scottish Council for Single Homeless

### 5. Healthy Eating for Homeless People

Dave Berry and Jeanie Collier, Good Food in Tackling Homelessness Programme, Edinburgh Cyrenians with Claire Street, Development Officer, Community Food & Health (Scotland)

## Afternoon Workshops

### 1. Community Health Partnerships and Community Planning

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### 2. Integrating Addiction with Health and Homelessness Services

Dr John Budd, NHS Lothian with members of the Substance Misuse Team, Edinburgh Homeless Practice

### 3. Mainstream or Specialist Provision?

*the challenge for rural areas and moving people on.*

Iver Forsyth, Inverness Day Centre, Mary Clunis, Community Psychiatric Nurse (Addictions) and Lisa Ross, Homeless Persons Nurse, NHS Highland

### 4. Choose Life

*how does suicide prevention link with the health and homelessness agenda?*

Ciara Byrne, Choose Life Development Officer, SAMH and Duggie Struthers, Health Development Officer, Blue Triangle Housing Association

### 5. Healthy Care Networks

Steven McCluskey, SIRCC

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## Booking Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Job Title \_\_\_\_\_

Organisation \_\_\_\_\_

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Town/City \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

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Additional information e.g. dietary requirements \_\_\_\_\_

**Morning Workshop** please indicate workshop preference

1. CHP and Community Planning
2. Social Networks
3. Changing Attitudes Towards Homeless People in Mainstream Services
4. Health and Homelessness Standards
5. Healthy Eating for Homeless People

**Afternoon Workshop** please indicate workshop preference

1. CHP and Community Planning
2. Integrating Addiction with Health and Homelessness Services
3. Mainstream or Specialist Provision?
4. Choose Life
5. Healthy Care Networks

I enclose a cheque for / please invoice me for £85 per delegate. Cheques payable to Scottish Council for Single Homeless. Delegate places have been subsidised thanks to the generosity of Health Scotland.

A limited number of additional subsidies are available. Priority will be given to service users and small voluntary sector organisations. Contact [robert@scsh.org.uk](mailto:robert@scsh.org.uk) for details.

**Please return this form by Friday 14th September 2007 to:  
SCSH, Wellgate House, 200 Cowgate, Edinburgh, EH1 1NQ or fax to: 0131 225 4382**

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