

Appendix – List of proposed chairs for the SIGs

Strategic Implementation Group 1: Strengthen the prevention of drug and alcohol use and the associated harms among children and young people;

Dr Gerry McCarney, is a Consultant Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist with a special interest in Substance Misuse. Dr McCarney has been working in the area of Adolescent Addiction as Consultant for over 15 years. He is the founder and Clinical Lead for the SASSY service for adolescents in the Dublin North City and County region of the HSE. He is a former Chair of the Faculty of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry in the College of Psychiatrists and is currently the College of Psychiatrists representative on the National Oversight Committee for the National Drug and Alcohol strategy.

Dr McCarney is currently a member of the NOC, representing the Irish College of Psychiatrist, which is a Ministerial appointment. He would have to step down from this role, if appointed as a Chair.

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