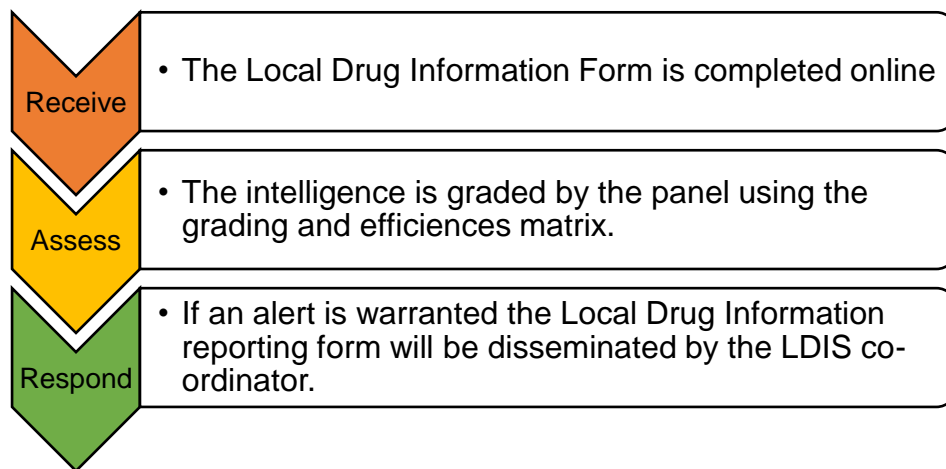# Local Drug Information System (LDIS)

What is LDIS?

LDIS is the process used to share and assess drug information, it also involves issuing drug alerts where needed. Reports of new, potent or contaminated drugs can be shared and collated from a range of sources so they can be verified, and warnings sent to the right people.

Drug Alert Process Map

Receive
- The Local Drug Information Form is completed online

Assess
- The intelligence is graded by the panel using the grading and efficiences matrix.

Respond
- If an alert is warranted the Local Drug Information reporting form will be disseminated by the LDIS co-ordinator.

RECEIVE – Any organisation, person or team who has intelligence about a substance reports it using the reporting form. The intelligence must meet one of the following criteria:

- Substance is causing acute medical, social or emotional harm or have uncommon side effects.
- There is spike in purity or strength.
- Branded in a way that is misleading re the ingredients or the substance is contaminated.
- An emerging trend of mixing substances or ingesting that is particularly hazardous to health.

Stakeholders are then emailed to corroborate of confirm the validity of the intelligence and submit further intelligence.

ASSESS – Responses are then collated for analysis against a grading matrix for the panel to decide next steps.

RESPOND – The panel choose from the possible responses:

- No further action.
- Share for information only.
- Issue a formal alert.