

Alcohol, other drugs and depression

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The research provided some valuable insights into how different patterns of alcohol and other drug use relate directly to depression in positive men. Problematic levels of crystal methamphetamine use have been identified as a major contributor to the problem in the community.

With funding from beyondblue – the national depression initiative – the [NCHSR](#) [1] National Centre in HIV Social Research. Located at the University of NSW in Sydney, NCHSR conducts research which describes and analyses the social understandings, meanings and practices of peoples, institutions and communities in relation to HIV, Hepatitis C and other communicable diseases. is proceeding with further research.

Outcomes we hope to see include some specialised training for general practitioners and other healthcare providers who work with positive clients to help them identify and manage drug and alcohol-fuelled depression.

Look out also for articles in the community press on the subject.

- [news](#)
- [recreational drugs](#)
- [stress, depression, anxiety](#)

Links:

[1] <http://www.napwa.org.au/glossary/term/407>