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**DRUG PREVENTION AND TREATMENT TRAINING IN THE CARIBBEAN**



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## Barbados Programme of Action, Sustainable Goals 1994

***“Strengthen national educational and training mechanisms in order to facilitate the flow of information on sustainable development issues, enhance public awareness of the environment and encourage participation in the implementation of effective solutions. A key requirement is to promote access to and improve the quality of basic education”***


## United Nations General Assembly, October 1994

***“Support an integrated approach to drug-abuse control, in accordance with international conventions, including the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, 12/ 14/ the Protocol amending the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, 13/ 14/ the Convention on Psychotropic Substances (1971), 15/ and the United Nations Convention Against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (1988). 16/”***

## Multilateral Evaluation Mechanism (MEM) 1998

Offered countries an opportunity to request technical or financial assistance and training to implement key components that efficiently addressed the drug problem in their respective countries.

# Caribbean Observatories on Drugs 2007

 ICAD noted that there were still too many “low paid technical persons who lacked training and professional development”

# PROCCER Caribbean 2011

*F*unded by the Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL) of the U.S. Department of State, and the Anti-Crime Capacity Building Program (ACCBP) of Foreign Affairs and International Trade Canada, embodies specialized training for drug treatment providers who were working with adolescents, was introduced to Member States in 2011

## PROCCER 2017

*T*he Caribbean is excited about the prospect of delivering the Adolescent Treatment Programme for which certification can be achieved before the end of 2017.



# International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL)

**I**nternational Centre For Certification and Education of Addiction Professionals (ICCE), which was established in 2009 to train and credential addiction professionals in the region.

# INL in 2015

A new program developed to address capacity building and training activities for service providers in drug prevention, treatment, and recovery. The program has three major objectives:

- significantly decrease drug use, related crime, and violence in targeted populations
- significantly delay onset of first use in the targeted country population and
- establish self-sustained drug prevention, treatment, and aftercare programs in partner countries

## Caribbean Basin Security Initiative (CBSI)

Identified several priority areas aimed at reducing illicit drug trafficking and increasing capacity in law enforcement and crime prevention for at-risk youth. Funding also supported drug demand reduction training for treatment and prevention professionals.

## The European Union(EU) and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)

Most of their funding is focused on “drugs and addressing drug related organized crime, corruption and justice reform, and to a lesser extent, drug demand reduction

# Counterdrug Intelligence Training 2014

**R**eceived funding from the Canadian Government, CICAD initiated a project to establish training for English-speaking member states. Trinidad and Tobago, working through their National Drug Council and the Police hosted the training

# The Caribbean Institute on Addictive Disorders (CARIAD)

**F**ormerly the Caribbean Institute on Alcoholism and other Drug Problems is a two-week summer school held annually since 1975 to train health and allied health professionals from the Caribbean region in addiction studies.

# COPOLAD 2011-2015

The programme is integrated by four components

- *Consolidation of the European Union-Latin America and the Caribbean Coordination and Cooperation Mechanism on Drugs*
- Consolidation of the national observatories on drugs
- Capacity-building in the drug demand reduction
- Capacity-building in the drug supply reduction


## Center for Addiction and Mental Health ([CAMH](#))

**T**he International Research Capacity-Building Program for Health-Related Professionals to Study the Drug Phenomenon in Latin America and the Caribbean is part of CICAD's strategy to strengthen scientific research on drug issues, especially the prevention of drug use and abuse, in the region.



# A LOOK TO THE FUTURE...

- The Bahamas National Drug Council offered the first Drug Demand Reduction & Caribbean Correctional Summit in 2016.
- Development of Standards of Care Document for treatment facilities in The Bahamas
- COPOLAD 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference, May 16<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> 2017 in Buenos Aires, Argentina
- PROCER Adolescent Treatment Program , 2017

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- Certificate in Caribbean Regional Addiction offered by UWI Open Campus
  - International Society of Substance Use Professionals (ISSUP)