

THE FIRST MOBILE APPLICATION (APP) FOR THE AUSTRALIAN COMMUNITY WITH EVIDENCE-BASED INFORMATION ON CRYSTAL METHAMPHETAMINE.

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Introduction:

There is a growing need for accurate, easily accessible, evidence-based information on crystal methamphetamine (ice) for the Australian community. This presentation is the first to unveil the full functionality and initial testing of a native smartphone application (for both iPhone and Android) providing trusted, evidence-based and up-to-date information about ice for users, family and friends of users, health professionals, community groups and policy makers.

Design and Methods:

The *Cracks in the Ice* mobile app is currently in development, after a systematic review of the literature identified a lack of high-quality mobile apps on the drug ice. The app development is informed by this review, as well as use of the existing online *Cracks in the Ice* Toolkit. Content will compliment that contained on the Toolkit and additional functionality includes “*push notifications*”, notifying users of new resources when available, and the ability to access information ‘offline’, a feature designed for rural and remote access.

Results:

The team is currently working with experienced web designers and the app will be completed by October, 2017. The presentation will describe the results of the systematic review, the app development and early results from beta testing will be presented.

Discussions and Conclusions:

A mobile application for the two most popular platforms in Australia will ensure evidence-based information on the drug ice is readily available, while improving user engagement and accessibility. This presentation provides an example of innovative e-health drug promotion and prevention and will be informative to service providers, community members, and policy makers.

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