

Founded in 1978 and formalised in 1981 on the initiative of some organisations for residential drug treatment, the EFTC is a European federative organisation supporting the psychopedagogical approach helping drug addicts to return to a drug free life style and to become contributing members of the wider community.

Today the EFTC. is spread across Europe in 25 countries and represents more than 40 treatment organisations.

EFTC members in Western Europe are generally comprised of multi-disciplinary staff teams, providing a diverse selection of residential and ambulatory services for men, women and families of all ages. Western European members provide drug free and medically oriented treatment in some situations. The options can be different in various European regions, contact your regional EFTC member for advice.

All EFTC members provide free and confidential advice to family members or those individuals who are concerned with or have a problem with substance abuse. Simply, call, write, fax or e-mail an EFTC member in your area for details.

Western Europe:

Western Web Sites

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The EFTC has members in four of the five Nordic countries unlike the stereotype of "stiff people" from the North, the EFTC Nordic members are creative and full of humour!

In general terms the treatment options involve smaller units than some of the other regional countries. A diverse approach is the rule and many programmes have adapted to the harsh winter climate, through including winter sporting activities within the programmes. Education and vocational training are just two of the important factors which confront recovering substance abusers in this region. As in other member countries a strong emphasis is placed upon staff training.

For information regarding treatment possibilities in the Nordic countries, please call, write, fax or e-mail an EFTC member in your country.

Nordic countries:

Nordic Web Sites

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The broad network of the EFTC provides us with the opportunity to include links to other web sites, which we hope you will find of interesting.
(All links will open in a separate window)

EFTC Links

The Scottish Drugs Training Project

The Scottish Drugs Training Project, at the University of Stirling provides a number of distance learning courses. Under the direction of Mr. Rowdy Yates. Further details may be explored by visiting them at:

www.stir.ac.uk/Departments/HumanSciences/AppSocSci/DRUGS/

European Working group On Drugs Oriented Research (EWODOR)

The European Federation of Therapeutic Communities enjoys close working contact with the European Working group On Drug Oriented Research (EWODOR).

The EWODOR web site and mailbase provides an up to date channel of information and resources from within the international drug and alcohol fields. Membership of the mailbase is free.

www.stir.ac.uk/departments/humansciences/appsocsci/drugs/ewodor.htm

**National Development Research Institute
Center for Therapeutic Community Research: New York, USA**

As the national center for the study of therapeutic communities (TCs), substance abuse and related issues, the Center for Therapeutic Community Research (CTCR) conducts systematic research on refining techniques and improving the effectiveness of treatment. In addition, it focuses on modifying the unique therapeutic community approach to special populations and settings such as mentally ill chemical abusers (MICAs) in community residences, adolescent substance abusers in residential TCs, and criminal offenders in corrections facilities. The CTCR is redefining an assessment instrument for measuring readiness for treatment, developing a system for classifying TC programme's, and establishing a national TC database.

Additional information regarding the work of Dr. George De Leon and the Team at CTCR can be found at :

<http://www.ndri.org/>

The World Federation of Therapeutic Communities

The European Federation of Therapeutic Communities is an associate federation member of the World Federation of Therapeutic Communities (WFTC). The WFTC, it's member's and world wide therapeutic community information can be found at:

<http://www.wftc.org/>

The European Association for the Treatment of Addiction

Provides services which "Help ensure people with substance dependencies get the treatment they need". They also provide seminars and short course training for professionals in the region.

<http://www.eata.org.uk/>

**Institutt for Funksjonell Psykoterapi,
Bedriftspsykologisk Rådgivingstjeneste**

This is the web site of EFTC individual member Dr. Dag Furuholmen, at present his pages are available only in Norwegian.

<http://www.psykoterapi.org/>

Interested in natural health care, Hepatitis C and related illnesses ?

Please visit these links:

The Yuan Centre

Mr. John Tindall, is a well known pioneer in the United Kingdom and throughout the world regarding training and natural health care approaches within holistic traditional Chinese medicine. Amongst others, he has trained the staff at Phoenix House Haga in Norway.

<http://www.yuancentre.com/>

The Hepatitis C Handbook

One of the most informative publications and sites related to the infection of hepatitis C and support networks can be found through Matthew Dolans site:

<http://www.hepchandbook.com/>