

## Shifting the Culture: A member's Bill Consultation

### PRIVATE INDIVIDUAL RESPONSE:

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#### Brief Biography

I am a qualified nurse with over 15 years experience in the field of alcohol related harm research. My programme of research aims to develop and promote evidence-based public health practice focusing on reducing alcohol-related risk and harm. The response is therefore drawn upon from an academic and professional perspective in light of the current body of published evidence in this area. The response is not that of my employer The University of Edinburgh, but a personal response.

Question	Response	Evidence
15) Do you believe that Arrest Referral schemes for Alcohol (as well as drugs) should be a statutory requirement within each Community Justice Authority area?	The current evidence to date on evaluations of such schemes has been inconclusive and some would describe 'disappointing'. What is required is rigorous Randomised Controlled Trials of such schemes in order that there is a strong evidence base from which decisions regarding the implementation could draw upon.	<a href="http://www.openeyecommunications.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/03/alcoholarrestreferral.pdf">http://www.openeyecommunications.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/03/alcoholarrestreferral.pdf</a>