

Jobstown Assisting Drug Dependency: An Integrated Community Model

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Presentation structure



JADD's history



JADD & HSE
partnership



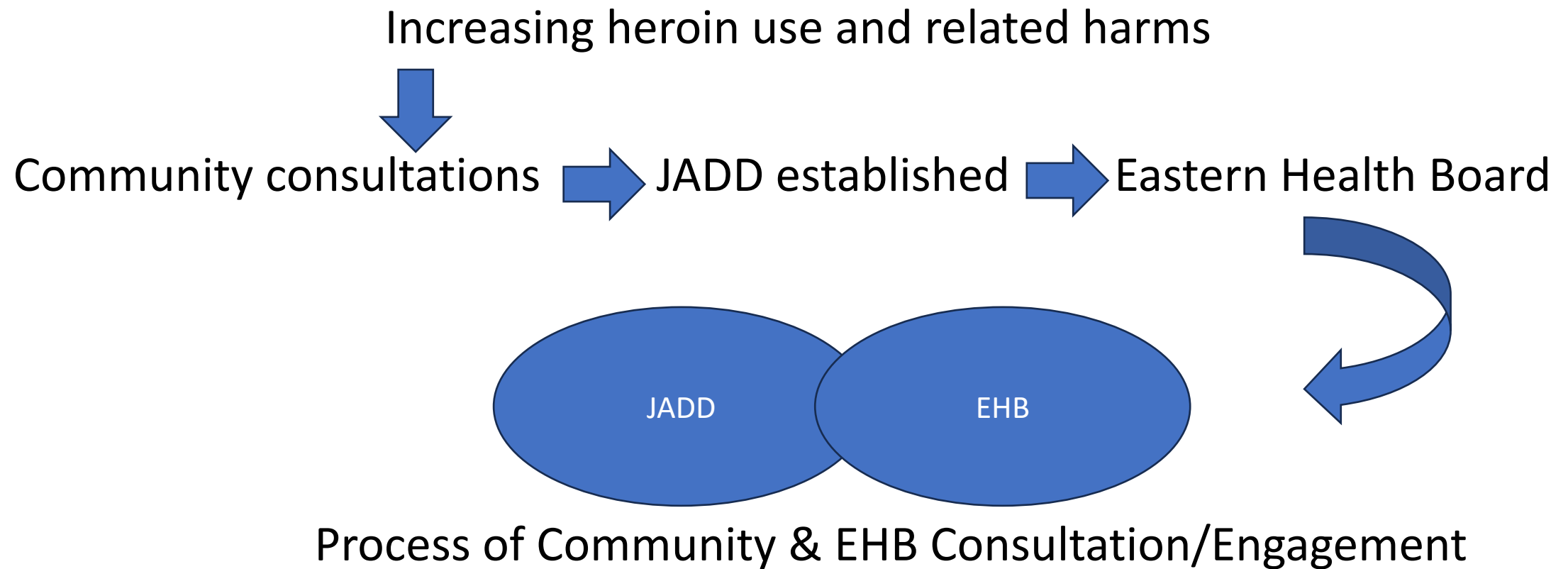
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Key considerations



1996: JADD Project CLG



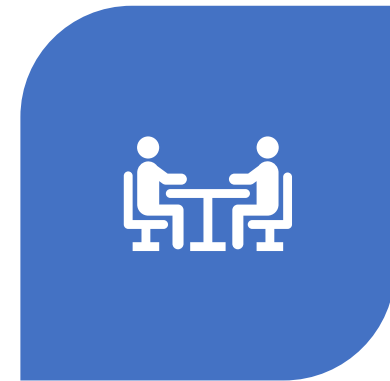
1997: JADD & HSE Strategic Partnership



**STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP: “THE PARTNERSHIP AIMS TO PROVIDE A TREATMENT, REHABILITATION AND AFTERCARE PROGRAMME FOR PEOPLE WITH OPIATE ADDICTION”
(BOURKE, 1997)**

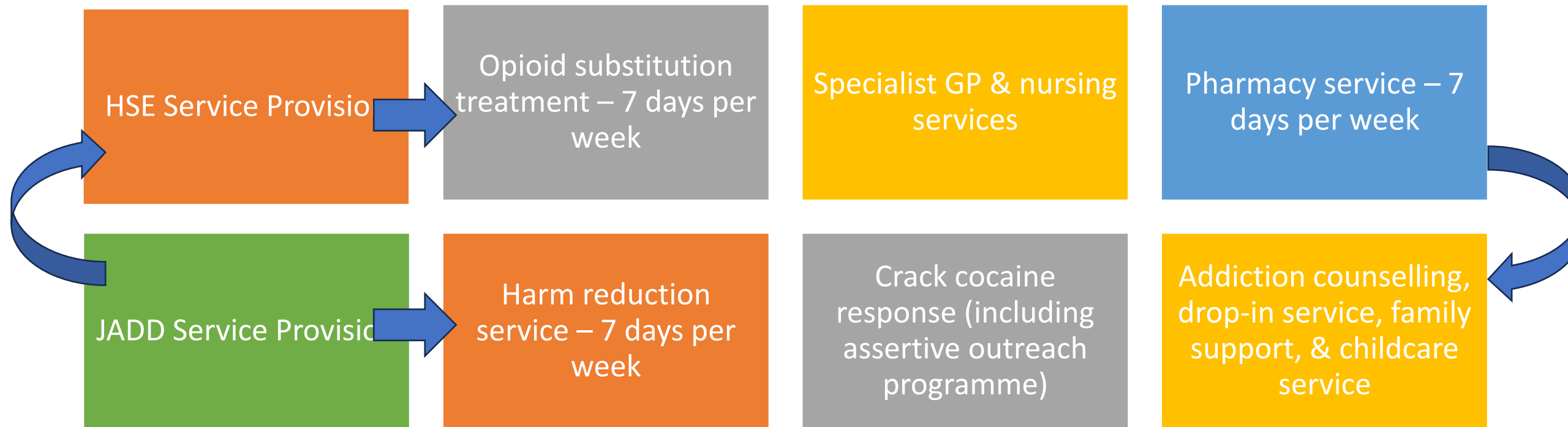


PROGRAMME OBJECTIVE: “THE OBJECTIVE OF THE PROGRAMME IS TO PROVIDE REALISTIC CARE AND SUPPORT FOR PEOPLE WITH AN ESTABLISHED OPIATE ADDICTION RESIDENT IN JOBSTOWN”.

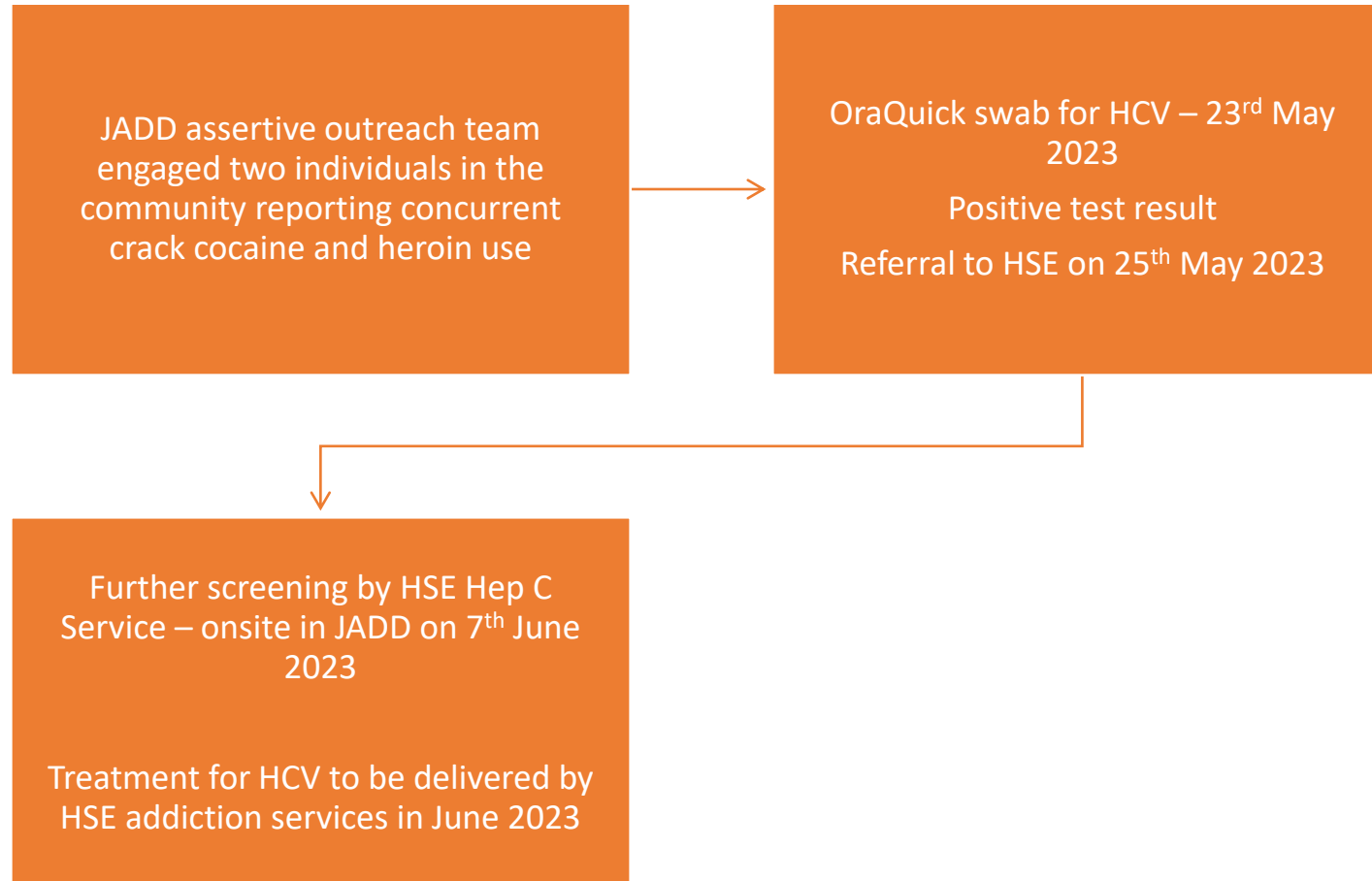


**HSE SERVICE PROVISION: MONDAY & THURSDAY EVENING, WITH ONE CLINICAL SESSION PER WEEK.
COMMUNITY OPERATED DROP-IN SERVICE.**

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Case example



Covid pandemic: A partnership response

- Covid pandemic: Methadone & harm reduction services remained open for 7 days per week
- Vaccination programme: HSE provided a vaccination clinic onsite in JADD for individuals accessing our service & other local addiction support services





Key considerations for the Citizens Assembly

- Community & statutory partnerships play a central role in responding to drugs issue, particularly within a changing drug landscape.
- Harm reduction approaches, such as methadone treatment, needle exchange programmes, etc., provide pragmatic & evidence-based support to a high-risk population.
- JADD's & HSE partnership and integrated model of care provides accessible and equitable treatment & rehabilitation supports to people with substance use problems.