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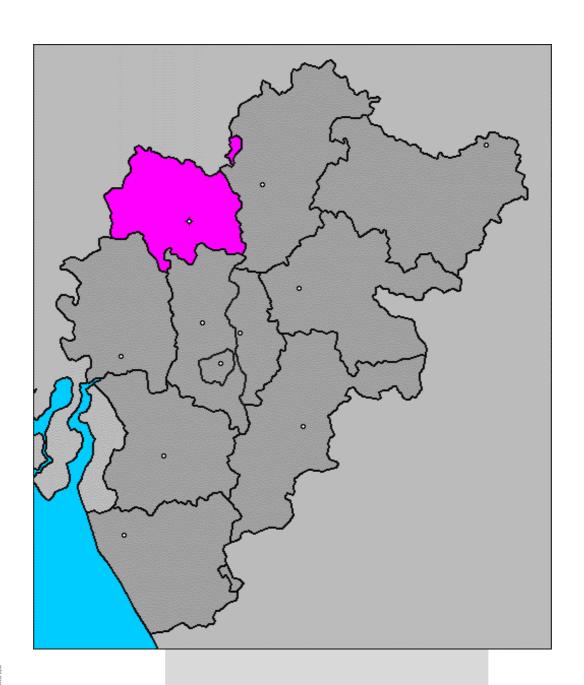
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ALCOHOL	2003	2009
EVER USE	87%	85%
WEEKLY	40%	35%
DRUNK LAST MONTH	24%	20%
MORE THAN 20 UNITS/WEEK	10%	6%
FACTORS	GENBDER/AGE/STUDY LEVEL	



CANABIS	2003	2009
EVER USE	27%	19%
WEEKLY	13%	8%
EVER USE +16Y		29%
FACTORS	GENBDER/AGE/STUDY LEVEL	



- Positive evolution
  - •Tanks to...
  - •Despite of...
  - But...







- Positive evolution
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• Positive evolution

•But....a growing group with problematic patterns of consume





Concern and frustration





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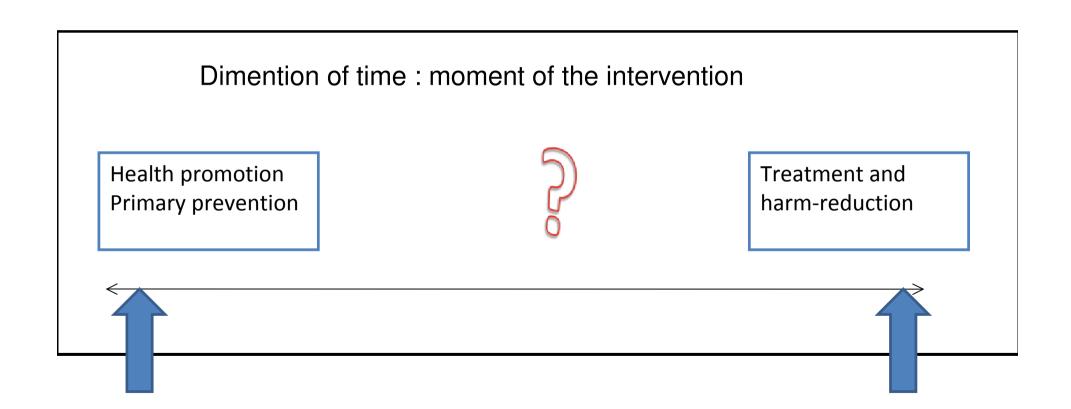




Concern and frustration









### THE GAP IS CLOSED !? The tower of Babel...





### THE GAP IS CLOSED !? The story of Walter K

Any resemblance to real persons is coincidental



### THE GAP IS CLOSED !? The story of Walter K

- Walter K is 17y old, student on secondary school. 5th class.
- Walter had good results, many friends and good attitude.
- After few months his teachers recognize some signals of disfunctioning en less results.
- Short after that during gymnastics a plastic bag with 2gr cannabis falls out off Walters sports bag.



### THE GAP IS CLOSED !? The story of Walter K

- At First Walter denies.
- •Tanks to comprehensive approach from his teacher he admits that he uses a small amount of cannabis from time to time.
- •He can stop using if he wants!?
- •Walter is convinced there's now problem at all.
- •No intervention is needed, by the way he knows some people who use "real stuff" or drink to much every day.



## THE GAP IS CLOSED!? The story of Walter K's school

- As written in the school policy the teacher informs the school director.
- •The director explains to Walter that the use and possession off illegal drugs is unacceptable and that he will be punished.
- •Just in case there is a need a helpline is described.
- •Walter's parents are informed.
- •Because "students know more about drugs than their teachers" a external organisation will be involved.



### THE GAP IS CLOSED !? The tragedy of Walter K's parents

- When telephone rings and school director speaks, father's dream about Walter (to be first man on Mars) comes to an end and mother risks an small hearth-attack.
- Their son is addicted to drugs
- Once addicted, always addicted...
- No way back, this is the end!
- Parents feel guilty, education failed!



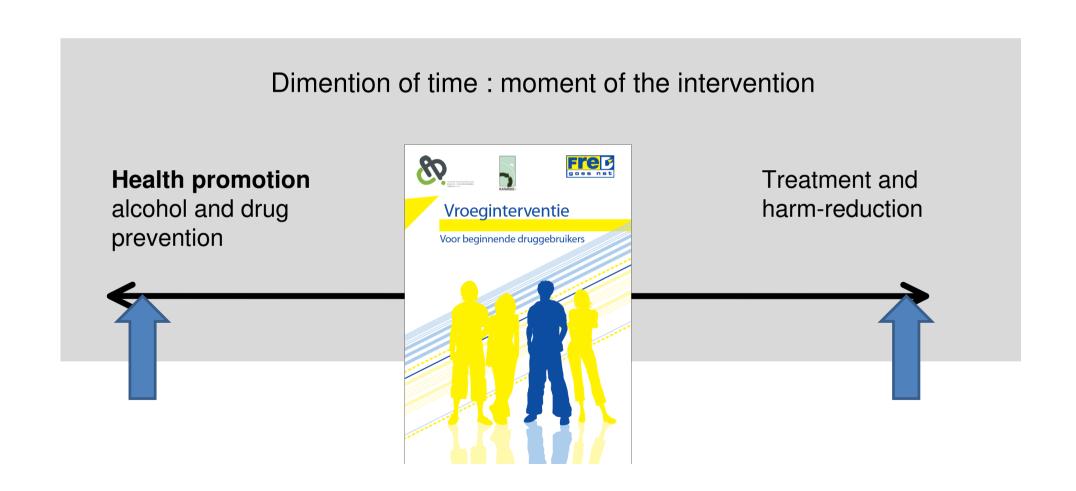
• The circus begins...



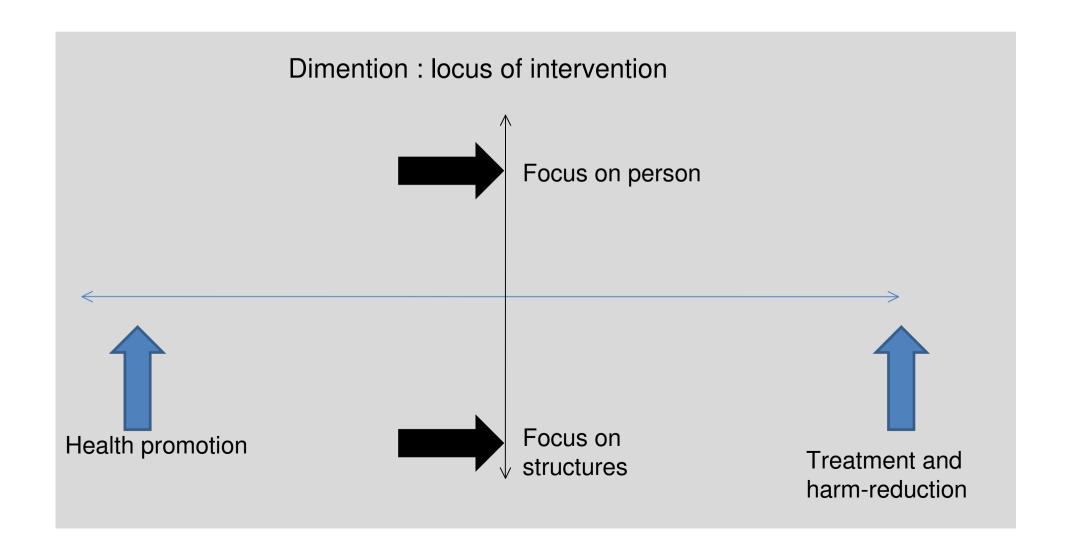




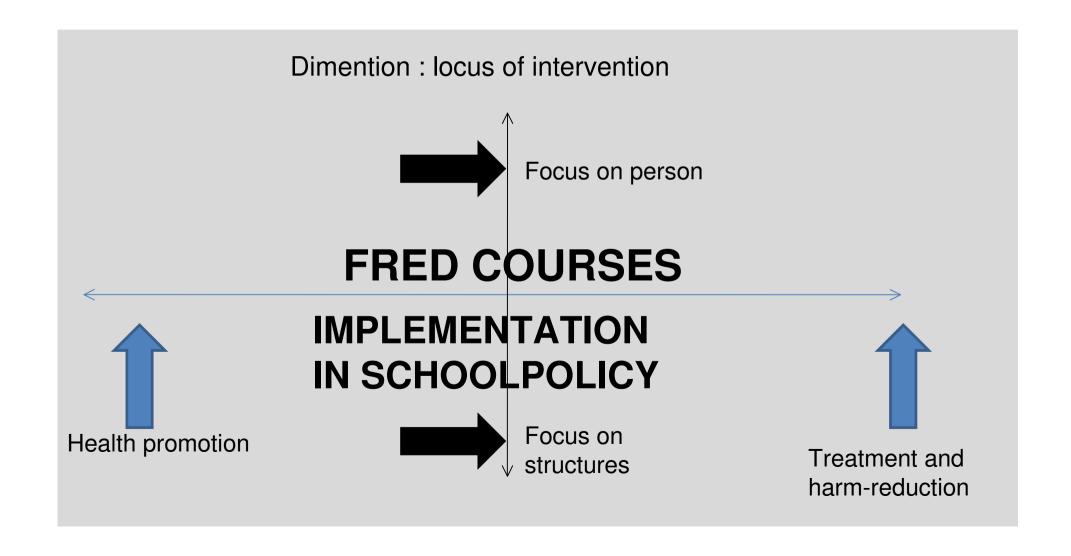




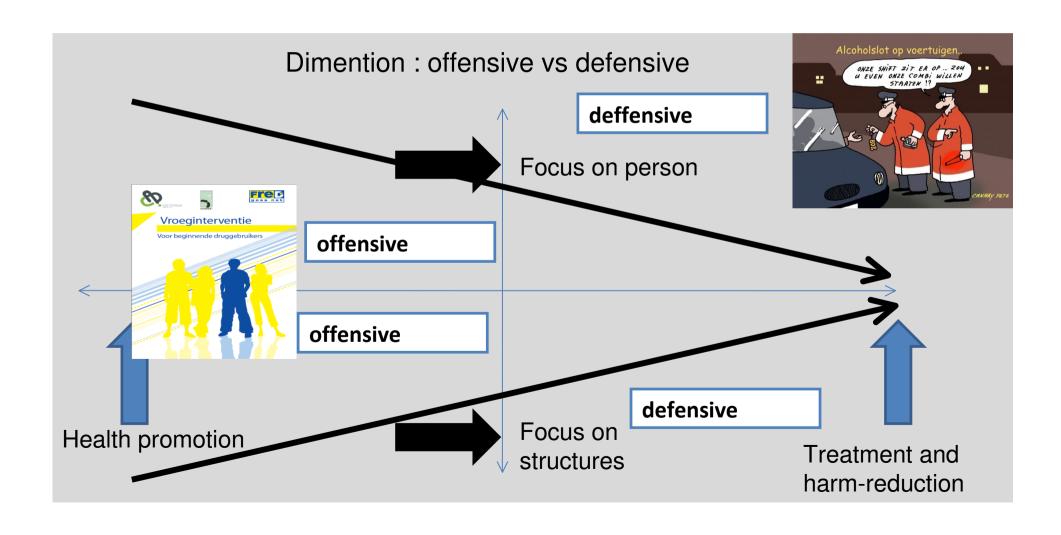




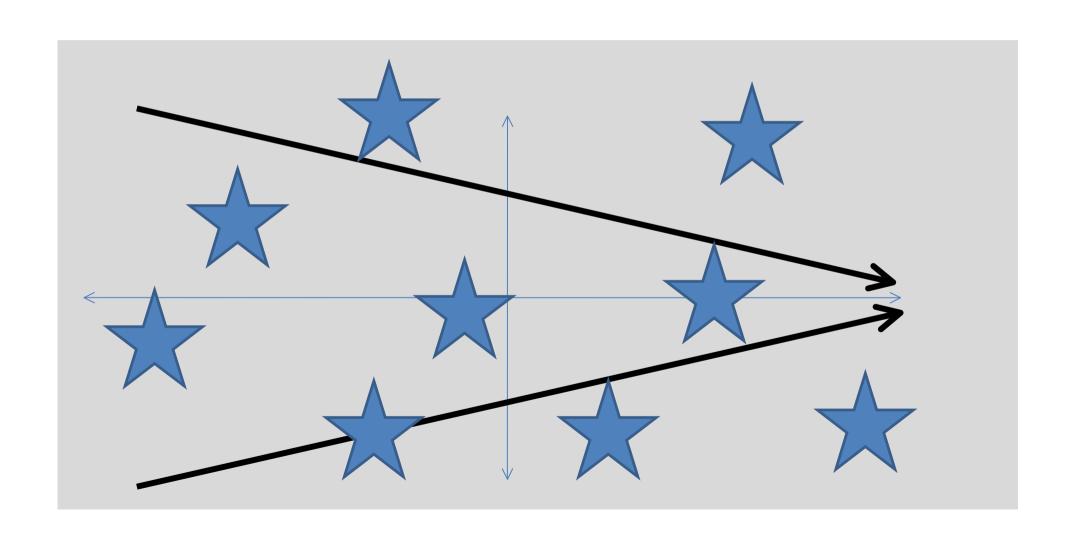














### The challenge... To keep the gap closed !?

- Networking contact with partners
- Budget
- Long term evaluation
- Perception of drugproblems
- Realistic expectations early interventions



