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ADVOCACY NEWSLETTER
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Dear Partners and fellow Advocates,

Happy 2023! We kickstart the new year with a brand-new look for the newsletter, as we continue to keep you updated on the latest happenings and information on drug prevention.

Email us at cnb_community_partnership@cnb.gov.sg if you have any feedback or questions on our programmes and activities!

ADVOCACY/APPRECIATION LUNCH FOR A3 NETWORK VOLUNTEERS & PARTNERS



Over 70 volunteers and partners from the A3 Network gathered on Saturday, 28 Jan 2023 to attend the Appreciation Lunch held at the Home Team NS Balestier Clubhouse. The event was graced by Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs & Ministry of National Development, Assoc Prof Dr Muhammad Faishal Ibrahim. In his welcome remarks, MOS Faishal spoke about the challenging drug situation, and acknowledged the contributions from volunteers and partners in supporting the collective effort to keep Singapore drug-free. Volunteers and partners were treated to a sharing by Mr Derek Tan, co-founder of Viddsee on "Finding Juliana" – NCADA's latest media campaign launch in Sept 2022. A group of student volunteers from Hong Kong's Leadership Institute on Narcotics (L.I.O.N) programme, accompanied by a delegation of officers from Hong Kong's Narcotics Bureau were also present to exchange ideas and share on their experience in working on advocacy projects.

CONTEST/CNB247



Join us for the #CNB247 giveaway contest and stand a chance to win a set of AirPods (3rd gen). The contest will run from 22 December 2022 to 9 March 2023 and there will be a total of four rounds (four winners in total). See details below on how you can take part:

- 1 Follow @cnb.drugfreesg on TikTok, Facebook & Instagram
- 2 Like and share this contest post on your Facebook Feed / Instagram story and tag us @cnb.drugfreesg
- 3 Set your Facebook/Instagram profile to public (so that we can see your tagged posts!)
- 4 Comment your answer to a simple question included in the contest post on our Facebook/Instagram page

Participants are only allowed to submit one entry, either on Facebook or Instagram. Only complete entries will be considered. Have fun, and good luck! A winner will be announced one week after each round ends.

Terms & Conditions apply: <https://go.gov.sg/cnb247-2022-termsandconditions>
*This contest is open to all Singaporeans and PRs residing in Singapore except for current CNB officers.

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Instagram



TikTok

PDE/INTERACTIVE ANTI-DRUG SKITS FOR SCHOOLS[NEW!]



Looking for an assembly programme to engage your students? CNB is launching new anti-drug skits for schools in 2023 with revamped storylines and interactive elements to educate students about the harms of drugs!

Help your students stay drug-free and book a show with us today.

For bookings or more information, email tan_yan_zheng@cnb.gov.sg

TELEGRAM: ANONYMOUS PLATFORM TO MAKE DRUG DEALS?

CNB has been monitoring suspected drug activities on Telegram since 2019, with more than 460 suspects arrested in the last four years. ASP Leslie Lee, OC Intelligence Collection, said in an email interview with LHZB that drug offenders are constantly changing their crime patterns, including conducting illicit drug transactions on online platforms such as Telegram. These drug offenders may think that such applications, which promotes privacy features such as message encryption, secret channels, self-destructing media, etc. can offer them a certain level of anonymity to carry out their illegal activities and evade CNB’s surveillance. This, however, is untrue, and there is no haven for drug offenders in Singapore regardless of the platform or tactics used.

Scan QR code for full article on LHZB



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR ANTI-DRUG ADVOCACY

On 10 Jan 2023 two Singaporean brothers (17 and 25) were arrested for suspected drug activities related to transactions conducted over Telegram. This case is certainly not the first of its kind, and it points to two issues – firstly, the use of instant message for illicit activities such as drug sales and trafficking; and secondly, that youths and young people are amongst those looking to exploit such apps for illicit purposes. With platforms like Telegram being easily accessible by anyone with a smartphone, the potential of wrongful usage remains ever-present.

Scan QR code for full article on Yahoo news



WHAT CAN YOU DO?

It is helpful to share reminders with family and friends to be mindful about the kind of group chats, channels, or conversations they may join on platforms like Telegram, WhatsApp, LINE, Signal, etc. in case they may inadvertently stumble upon sites which promote illicit or unsavory content. In the event that they accidentally come across such channels, they may wish to use the in-app ‘report’ function or alert the relevant authorities (e.g., CNB for drug-related matters, HSA for vape-related matters, SPF for general suspicious activities, etc.) at their respective communication channels. If, however, they may be tempted to partake in such exchanges despite knowing that it is illegal, advocates may like to highlight that such “anonymous” features are not very anonymous at all and that they may run into trouble with the law should they give in to curiosity.

RESOURCES:

- CNB Hotline – 1800-325-6666
- HSA Tobacco Regulation Branch (also for vaping offences) – 6684 2036
- Police Hotline – 1800 255 0000



CNB INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME

Are you passionate about the drug-free cause and are interested to consider a career with CNB? If so, WE WANT YOU!

The CNB Internship Programme enables keen JC, Poly students/ graduates and undergraduates to have a deeper understanding of:

- The **different roles in CNB**
- How CNB contributes towards keeping Singapore safe from the scourge of drugs
- The larger **Home Team Mission** of making Singapore a safe and secure home

During this programme, interns will be:

- Tasked to undertake **challenging and meaningful assignments** related to drug policy planning, research or statistics or Preventive Drug Education.
- **Attached to our enforcement units** to gain insight into our operational work and drug supervision regime
- Provided with **career coaching and advice**, and the opportunity to chat with members of CNB's leadership group.

This is a 3 month internship between May to August 2023.
Applications will close on 10 Feb 2023.
Please fill in the FormSG using the QR code provided.



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MHA UNIFORMED SCHOLARSHIP

APPLICATION OPEN NOW TILL 31 MAR 2023

Career Track

- Narcotics Officer (Direct-Entry Inspector)

Bond Period

- 4 years for local study
- 5 years for studies in non-English speaking countries
- 6 years for studies in English speaking countries

Details of Study

- Local or overseas universities - Most disciplines (except medicine, dentistry and architecture)

Scholarship Tiers

- Singapore Merit Scholarship (SMS)
- Singapore Government Scholarship (SGS)
- Local Merit Scholarship (LMS)
- Home Team Local Study Award (HTLSA)

Award Value & Benefits

- Tuition fees and other approved charges
- Monthly overseas or local allowances
- Pre-studies allowance (e.g. computer)
- Return economy class airfare (if overseas)
- Sponsorship for Masters and exchange programmes (if requirements are met)
- NS disruption *
- Full salary for the duration of study (including bonuses) *

*for selected scholarship tiers



We Want You!

www.cnb.gov.sg/careers/scholarships-and-sponsorships



HELP US SPREAD THE ANTI-DRUG MESSAGE



The **Anti-Drug Abuse Advocacy Network (A3 Network)** is a volunteer scheme jointly administered by the NCADA and CNB. The A3 Network, which is under the umbrella of the Home Team Volunteer Network comprises various groups of people who identify with, support and promote the anti-drug cause.

Help us grow the A3 Network by telling your friends about us and the volunteering opportunities with CNB. Scan the QR codes for more information about the different schemes, or drop us an email at cnb_community_partnership@cnb.gov.sg



Scan here to find out about the A3 Network and different advocates schemes



Anti-Drug Advocate Programme for youths aged 17 - 25 years old

Scan below to find out about the **Augmented Reality exhibition** and the **Virtual Heritage Gallery** that you can access at your convenience:



Scan here for the AR exhibition



Scan here for the virtual heritage gallery

Drop us an email at CNB_Community_Partnership@cnb.gov.sg if you would like to unsubscribe or add your colleagues into our mailing list!

If you come across drugs, or what you suspect to be drugs, you should call CNB hotline at **1800-325-6666**

For more information, please visit the CNB website at www.cnb.gov.sg

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