

Supervised Consumption Services

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Supervised consumption services provide a place where people can use pre-obtained drugs in a monitored, hygienic environment to reduce harm from substance use.

These services help to:

- Reduce risk of accidental death from drug poisoning
- Decrease transmission of infections
- Connect people to broader health and social services, such as treatment and recovery-oriented supports



Supervised Consumption Services Statistics

1650*

Unique individuals used SCS monthly in Alberta in 2022 *Approximately

179,269

Total visits to SCS in Alberta in 2022

Increase:

Reduce:

- Referrals to health and psychosocial supports
- Clients connected to recovery-oriented treatment services
- Deaths from accidental drug poisoning
- Transmissions of infections
- Public substance use and discarded needles

Supervised consumption services are part of a range of evidence-based services that support prevention, harm reduction and treatment for Albertans living with substance use challenges.