



# About Our Academy

# The Student Pathway

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## Introduction

Double Impact is a Drug and Alcohol recovery charity established in 1998 – our mission is to help people achieve sustained recovery from drug and alcohol dependence and support the development and growth of recovery communities.

Double Impact Academy Lincolnshire in partnership with Addaction has been commissioned to deliver an independent recovery service that provides opportunities for people to build on their drug and alcohol treatment and create a different future for themselves

Initially our training program will run out of our Academy suite which is based next door to Addaction Lincoln at, 30 Newland, LN1 1XG. In addition our Academy staff will be connecting with service users at Addaction services in Boston and Grantham and the other satellite venues across Lincolnshire.

## From Dependence to Independence

The Double Impact Academy Lincolnshire provides a progression pathway, where clients (known as students) are offered, through a personal development plan, a range of accredited level 1 and 2 progression qualifications. The Academy will also provide opportunities for people to get involved in mutual

aid activity and signpost and connect people to opportunities and activities taking place in their local community's. We believe that everyone can recover and that in recovery anything is possible.

## The aims of the Academy

- To connect people with themselves, each other and their local communities
- To raise aspiration and ambition
- To access key functional skills training where needed
- To access level 1 and 2 progression learning
- To coordinate volunteering and work experience opportunities
- To support students to be work ready and into employment
- To generate a Peer Support network
- To develop a service user involvement network
- To promote and champion recovery

## What's on offer?

**Something for the Weekend** - A practical peer support group focussing on the here and now

**Running** every Friday out of Lincoln, Grantham, Boston and Spalding, 'Something for the Weekend' is an informal, safe environment where people can share their experiences and connect with peers. This group aims to build on and help develop your self-awareness and resilience.

## Connect Event - An introduction to the Academy.

The Connect Event begins with the showing of a short recovery film and a discussion about the possibilities of recovery, what support is available to overcome challenges and barriers that people may be faced with. You will find out about all the options that are available to you now and in the future and be connected to other people in recovery. If you like what you hear then we'll arrange for a 1:1 when we can look in detail at what you want and get you started.

## Service User Involvement Forums

We run monthly Service User Involvement Forums where you can have your say about what's working well for you in recovery, what's not, what would make it better and how can we collectively encourage people to connect with treatment and recovery services.

## Personal Development Planning

Wherever you are in your life we can support you to develop a plan to build a different future for yourself.

## Key functional skills

Competency around English, Maths and IT are issues many of us faced in early recovery. As part of the Student Pathway we can find you the support to overcome these.

## Peer Volunteering

If you are still in treatment and want to volunteer in services you can gain the relevant accredited qualifications through the Academy - find out more at a Connect Event

## Recovery Support Volunteer

If you are not in treatment and in recovery and want to volunteer in services you can gain the relevant accredited qualifications through the Academy - find out more at a Connect Event

## Employability skills

We can support you in job searches, CV writing, interview preparation and post-employment should you need it - find out more at a Connect Event

## Access Mutual Aid (Self-Help)

Mutual Aid options are currently limited across Lincolnshire but there are online options and we will support you to access Mutual Aid. We also plan to develop our own mutual aid groups - information on these will go out locally as our service develops.

## Recovery Portal App

If you want recovery information and support at the touch of a button download our free app:



Apple iTunes

Google Play



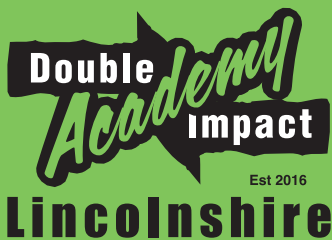
## Volunteering Opportunities

Our services and service users benefit greatly through volunteers from the community giving their time to support the work that we do - if you share our values and have the time to help make a real difference in people's lives then we would love to hear from you.

We offer 'volunteer training packages' and ongoing support which will give you the skills to support people across the treatment and recovery services. There are different ways volunteers can help and we can find opportunities that suit the volunteer's skills, interests and availability. If you're interested in finding out more please contact us on the details below.

If you want to get involved in any of our events or groups simply talk to an Addaction or Double Impact member of staff who can give you the relevant times and venues you need or give us a call 01522 304246

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