



For two decades, Deirdre Boyd has been a leader in the field of recovery from addiction, with an international reputation. Based in the UK, she heads up DB Recovery Resources which supplies the daily/weekly [DB Recovery+ news service](#) to the international alcohol/drug-treatment field on addiction recovery, publishes [Recovery Plus e-mag and print journal](#), and organises the [DB Recovery+ international symposia](#) on addiction recovery: 2017 saw the 5th Recovery Plus conference, on World Drug Day, alongside the R+Nacoa Recovery Awards Dinner.

Most recently, [Hazelden Publishing](#) chose DB Recovery Resources to channel its addiction-recovery guides in the UK and Europe.

Deirdre has spoken at the UK's All Party Parliamentary Drugs Misuse Group, the APPG Alcohol and the APPG on Children and Cannabis, was part of the dti Foresight Project on Brain Science, Addiction & Drugs which predicted drug scenarios for the next 25 years. Deirdre has been quoted in House of Commons and House of Lords debates on alcohol and drugs, and contributed to the Drug Policy 2010 and Select Committees. She authored *Addiction & Recovery: self-help for friends, families and addicts*, which was translated into 7 languages. Deirdre serves on the board of the National Association for Children of Alcoholics (UK), and on IC&RC UK/Europe's Board, and served on the Centre for Policy Studies think-tank Addictions committee.

She was voted by the public to receive the Directory of Social Change Influencer Of The Year Award 2012. The International Council on Alcohol & Addictions presented her with the 'Dr Vincent Bakeman Memorial Award for Outstanding Community Services'. She has also received a Sierra Tucson Award for Outstanding Achievement.

Deirdre has written for national and international publications, and has appeared as an expert 'talent' for addiction-recovery issues on BBC News, ITV, Sky News, and other media outlets including RTE.