

Life Insurance Comparison Site – www.Quoteboffin.co.uk – Calls For Binge Drinkers To Think About The Bigger Picture As NHS Staff Call In Police Protection



Released on: April 02, 2010, 12:02 am

Author: **QueryClick LTD**

Industry: **Financial**

Money saving website – www.quoteboffin.co.uk – is asking weekend party goers to consider the repercussions of excessive drinking after it emerged that the NHS spends tens of thousands of pounds a year on police protection for A&E staff.

Police officers are being drafted in up and down the country in a bid to protect the welfare of doctors and nurses treating patients on Friday and Saturday nights.

Branded a 'war zone' in a BBC report, the culture of drinking to excess has seen a sharp rise in the number of NHS workers being threatened verbally and physically by drunken patients in A&E wards.

A spokesperson for Quoteboffin.co.uk urged weekend revellers to show greater respect for the NHS by considering the repercussions of their binge drinking:

"No one deserves to work in an environment where physical and verbal abuse is a reality. NHS staff in particular are there to help but their jobs are made increasingly difficult when faced with aggressive situations.

"Party goers need to remember that alcohol is not an excuse for violence towards anyone; let alone someone who is trying to treat patients who are in potentially critical situations."

Glasgow's Royal Infirmary and Western General in particular boasts the most advanced violence and aggression policy in Scotland; the two hospitals currently spend £60,000 a year on police support, CCTV and direct lines to police stations.

Other hospitals in areas like Bristol have felt the need to introduce a police presence throughout the rest of the week in a bid to tackle drunken antisocial behaviour.

Health workers are calling on the government and police to impose stricter penalties on people who attack or threaten medical staff.

QuoteBoffin.co.uk went on to highlight the financial pressures of binge drinking on the NHS and beyond:

"Binge drinking and alcoholism is a costly business with taxpayers collectively forking out over £1.5 bn annually while the short and long term consequences of heavy drinking can substantially push up an individual's health or life insurance premium.

"Spending tens of thousands of pounds a year on police support is yet another measure that drains NHS funds that needn't be the case if people were in control of their drinking."

About

QuoteBoffin

Quoteboffin.co.uk is an online insurance comparison website offering life insurance comparison tools that allow users to search the market and procure the best life insurance policies and quotes.

QuoteBoffin.co.uk was launched in February 2010 and is a trading style of David and Co Consultants Limited.

Contact:

QuoteBoffin.co.uk
MMT Centre
Severn Bridge
Aust
Bristol
BS35 4BL
email: enquiries@quoteboffin.co.uk

~~~~~

Press release distributed via EPR Network (<http://express-press-release.net/submit-press-release.php>)