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# Submission to the review of alcohol

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Alcohol is dominating sectors of our society. As rehabilitation case worker in excess of 20 years, 15 of which serving the Community in NSW Police. I have seen the affects of alcohol related incidents on police who have stepped-in to do their job to protect, to contain and to help members of the public only to have escalation of intimidation, disrespect and violence, from individuals under the alcohol influence, against police. I have seen and counselled police trying to deal with their loss of trust, and their anger towards the affect of alcohol on families and senseless unprovoked public incidents. I have counselled and case managed officers smashed with broken glass held in the hand of a human whose behaviour is altered by alcohol over consumption readily accessible. The personal affect on individual police who have attempted to protect families from a family member or friend who's behaviour, fuelled by alcohol, is shown as senseless, loveless, unpredictable and violent - trust, kindness, care, wanting to help - all compromised for police, their families, a socialising public and the innocent family waiting for the return of a family member due more often than not, to readily accessible intensive prolonged consumption and social influence.

Regards,

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