

FOR IMMEDIATE REPORTING

**AVENUES TO SURRENDER E-VAPORISERS AND SEEK SUPPORT
TO QUIT VAPING**

The Minister for Health has earlier announced that in the coming weeks, etomidate will be classified as a Class C illegal drug under the Misuse of Drugs Act (MDA). In the meantime, those who are using e-vaporisers and especially consuming etomidate should give up their habit as soon as possible.

2 To support them during this period, Health Sciences Authority (HSA) has embarked on an initiative to encourage e-vaporiser users to surrender their e-vaporisers and related components in order to start their quit journey before the law catches up with them.

3 Called “Bin the Vape”, the HSA has partnered with the People’s Association to place e-vaporiser disposal bins across the island at 23 Community Clubs and one Residents’ Network Centre for members of the public to voluntarily dispose of e-vaporisers safely from 25 July 2025. Bins will also be progressively placed at other locations such as the Institutes of Higher Learning. Members of the public can visit HSA's website (go.gov.sg/bin-vapes) to locate the nearest bin. See Annex A for the list of locations.

4 Members of the public who wish to seek support for quitting, particularly if they have been using etomidate e-vaporisers, may approach WE CARE Community Services, Singapore Anti-Narcotics Association, the Institute of Mental Health for assistance or the Quitline counsellors at 1800 438 2000. See Annex B for the list of contacts.

5 Persons who come forward to bin their e-vaporisers or voluntarily seek support for quitting will not face any penalties for doing so.

6 Once etomidate is listed as a Class C drug under the MDA in a few weeks’ time, those caught using etomidate-laced e-vaporisers will be subject to mandatory supervision and rehabilitation. Repeat offenders are liable to be prosecuted and subject to jail for at least a year. Those caught selling, distributing or importing etomidate-laced e-vaporisers will be subject to more severe penalties, including jail up to 20 years and caning.

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Location and Photos of e-vaporiser Disposal Bins



Area	Location
Central	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bishan CC • Buona Vista CC • Ci Yuan CC • Fernvale CC • Jalan Besar CC
North East	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One Punggol CC • Pasir Ris Elias CC • Sengkang CC • Tampines Central CC • The Serangoon CC
North West	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ace The Place CC • Canberra CC • Senja-Cashew CC • Naval Base Anchor RN • Nee Soon South CC • Sembawang CC • Woodlands CC • Woodlands Galaxy CC • Yew Tee CC
South East	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kampong Chai Chee CC / Heartbeat@Bedok • Mountbatten CC
South West	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boon Lay CC • Hong Kah North CC • Keat Hong CC



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Contact Points to Seek Support for Quitting

Social Service Agency	Type of services provided	Contact details
WE CARE Community Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Counselling services• Drop in centre• Recovery support groups• Group work and therapy programmes• Talks and workshops	Tel: 3165 8017 or 8391 3023 (WhatsApp) Email: help@wecare.org.sg Website: https://www.wecare.org.sg/
Singapore Anti-Narcotics Association	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Step-Up Centres SANA Step-Up Centres are walk-in facilities that support the rehabilitation and reintegration of persons-in-recovery from drug addiction by strengthening their social support networks. The centres are open to recovering individuals, their families and anyone seeking help on drug addiction.• Case Management Services Interim financial assistance, casework and counselling• Psychotherapy SANA's psychotherapy service uses evidence-based therapeutic techniques to address co-occurring mental	Tel: 6732 1122 Email: sana@sana.org.sg Website: https://www.sana.org.sg/

	health conditions, behavioural challenges and relationship issues that may contribute to or increase the risk of drug relapse.	
Institute of Mental Health	<p>National Addiction Management Services (NAMS)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment and treatment of addictions • Individual, group and family therapy 	<p>For NAMS appointment enquiries: 6389 2200 / https://for.sg/nams-appointment-form</p> <p>Website: https://www.nams.sg</p>