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Presentation to Schools : St Andrew's School for Girls, 3 March 2009



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**Unless otherwise referenced, statistics extracted from : United Nations Expert
Group Meeting World Programme of Action for Youth 19-21 May 2008**

Retention of natural curiosity

Eagerness to learn, Love of challenge

Ability to focus on the here and now

**Acceptance of self, Love of God,
acceptance of others**

Tolerance of criticism

Competitiveness with self, not with others

**Acknowledgement of strengths
and weaknesses**

Enjoyment of academic effort

Positive receptivity to reasonable demands



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Core Values

Partnership

Concern

Messages

Responsibility

Accountability

Communication

Observance of the Law

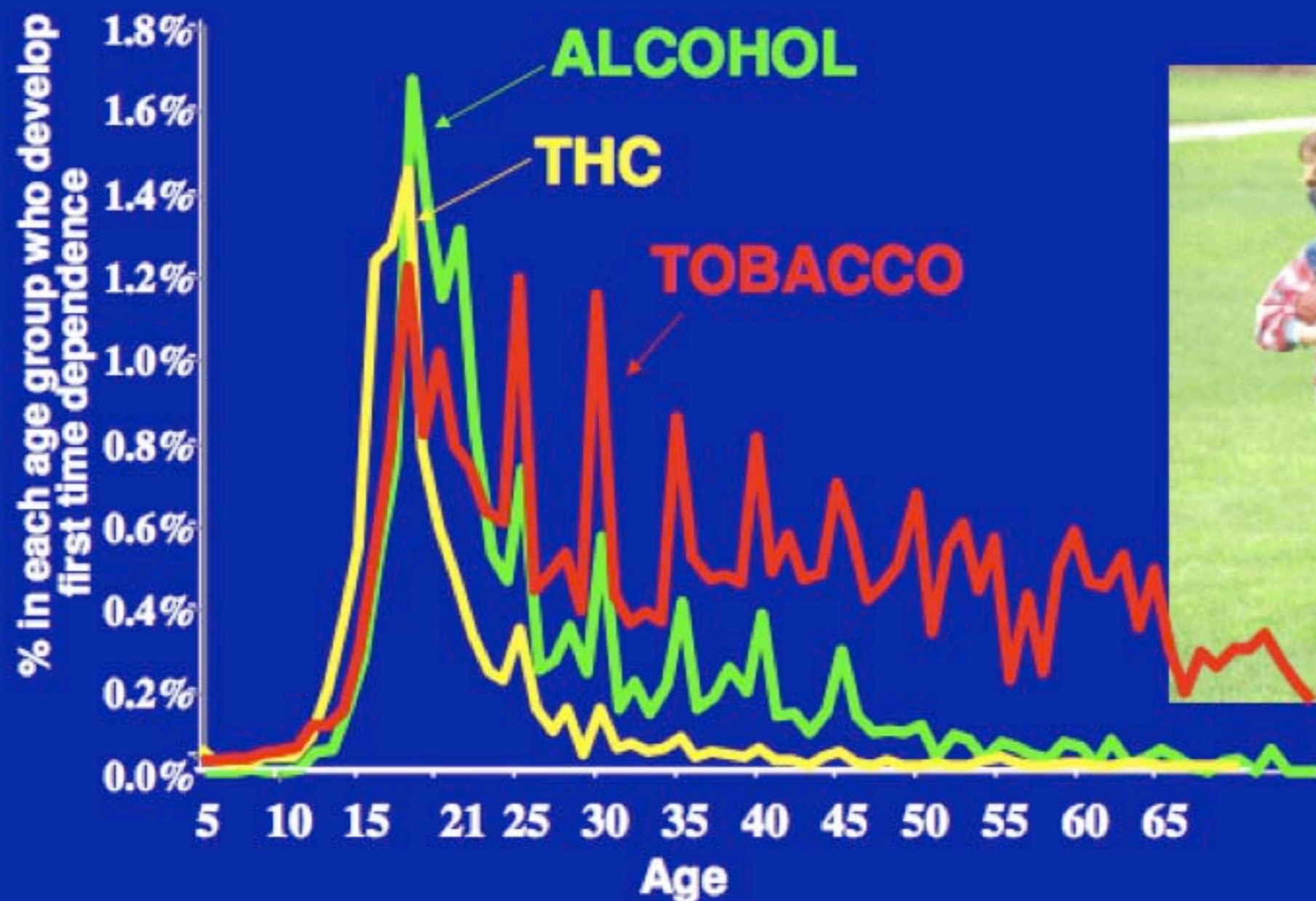
Honesty and Integrity

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Addiction Is A Developmental Disease often starts in childhood and adolescence



Age at **alcohol**, at **tobacco**, and at **cannabis** dependence as per DSM IV

NIAAA National Epidemiologic Survey on Alcohol and Related Conditions, 2003.

Mortuary Statistics (MRC/UNISA)

**45% of all non-natural deaths had BACs
greater than 0.05g/100ml**

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Trauma Statistics (MRC/UNISA)



**73% of all violence related trauma cases
had BACs greater than 0.05g/100ml**

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Academic Failure and absenteeism (MRC/UCT)



The odds of repeating a grade are 60% higher for learners who consume alcohol

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Risky and unwanted sexual behaviour resulting from own drinking: last four weeks

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Department of Preventive and Social Medicine,
University of Otago Medical School*

	Women	Men	Total
	%	%	%
Unsafe sex	4.4	6.7	5.3
Sex unhappy about at the time	2.6	3.4	2.9
Sex later regretted	6.9	7.6	7.1
Any of these	10.2	13.3	11.4

	Women	Men	Total
	%	%	%
Unwanted sexual advance	21	12	18
Sexual assault	0.5 (n=11)	0.6 (n=6)	0.6 (n=17)

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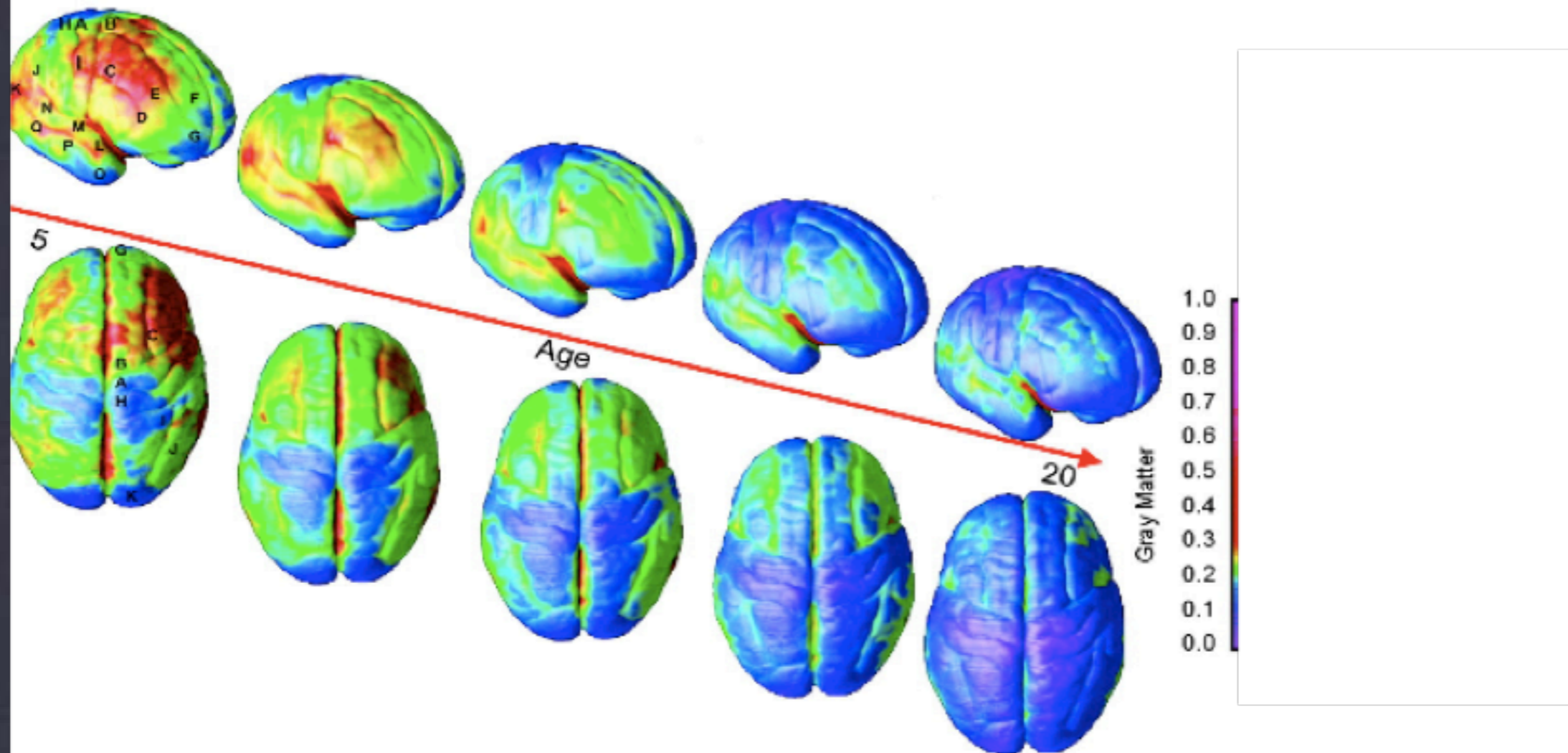


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Brain Maturation continues into the 20's



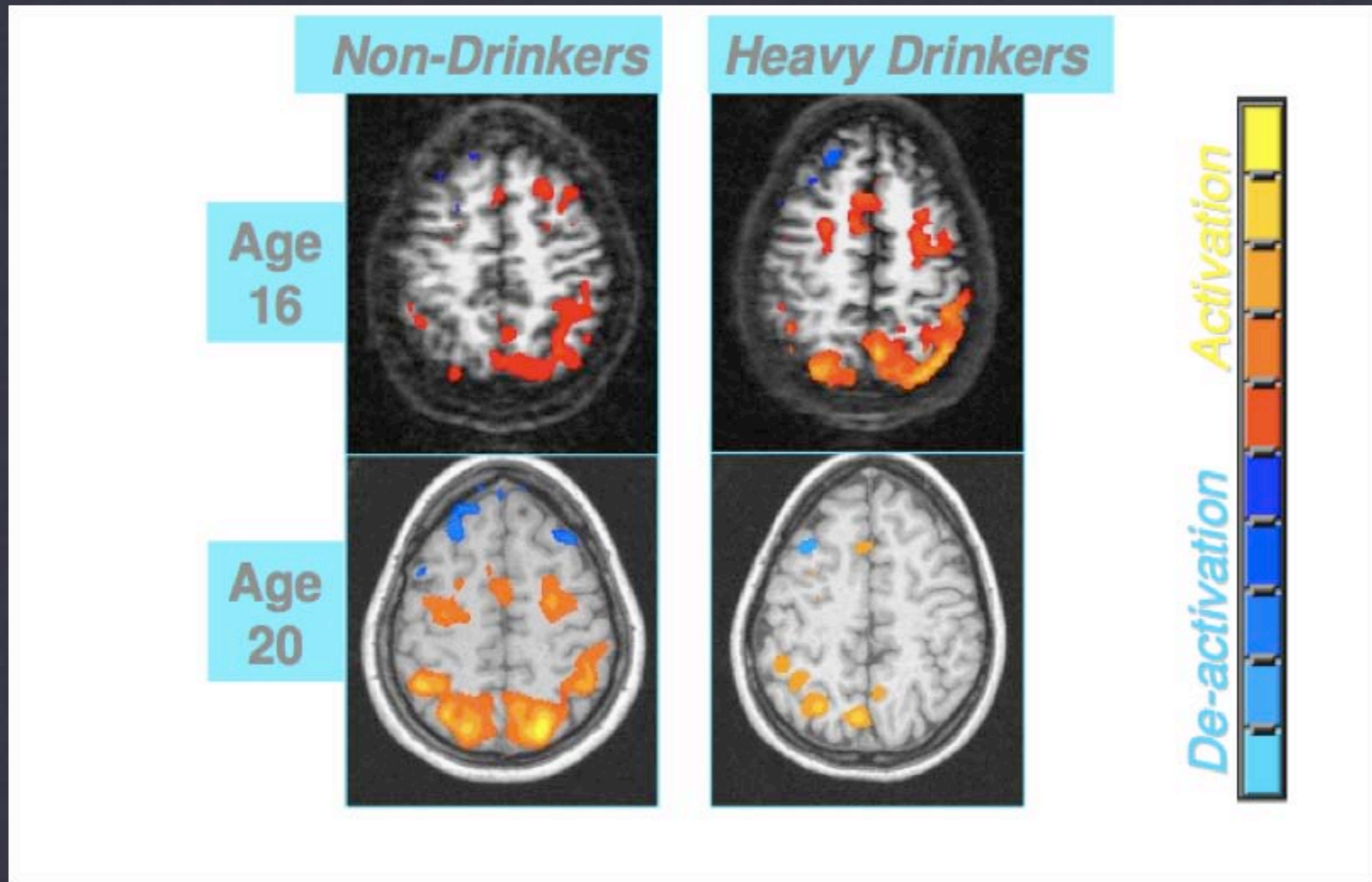
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Alcohol has been shown to inhibit performance in tests of strength, speed and endurance.



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In professional sport the consumption of alcohol is usually banned 48hrs pre-performance.



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Alcohol affects hydration levels, reflexes, and sleep patterns. Alcohol should be avoided post performance and training as it can impair recovery rates.



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MYTHS ABOUT UNDERAGE DRINKING

#1 “At least alcohol is safer than other drugs.”

Fact: Alcohol kills 6.5 times more youth than all other illegal drugs combined.

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MYTHS ABOUT UNDERAGE DRINKING

#2 “It’s better for kids to start drinking young, so that they can learn how to handle it.”

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Fact: Young people who begin drinking before age 17 are twice as likely to develop alcohol dependence than those who begin drinking at age 21. Those who begin by age 15 are more than four times more likely to develop dependence.

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MYTHS ABOUT UNDERAGE DRINKING



NITEEN
STRICTLY FOR AGES 13 TO 17

RE-LAUNCHES
TUESDAY 11 SEPTEMBER
Foam Party

THEN RUNS
1ST TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH

NITEEN

rjs nightclub - promenade - new brighton - 639 1552 - www.niteen.co.uk

THE BIGGEST UNDER 18'S EVENT IN WIRRAL LANDS IN NEW BRIGHTON

2 ROOMS OF MASSIVE MUSIC

MAIN ARENA:
KLUBLAND ANTHEMS!
DJS: STE COCKY, CHRIS HENRY & LEE BUTLER
WITH TONY M, DJT & DOYLE
PLUS PLEASURE ROOMS & KILLER KOMBO MCS
MCB, JFMC, PAUL OH
RORY O, POCUS & BLITZER

UPSTAIRS ARENA:
MASSIVE STUDENT & PARTY ANTHEMS
DJ KRIS JAMES AND DJ JAY

**#3 “Under 18 parties at clubs are a “safe”
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MYTHS ABOUT UNDERAGE DRINKING



#4 “Malls are a “safe” environment.”
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By signing this charter I undertake to use my best endeavours to adhere to the following minimum standards around alcohol:

We will ensure that parties for minors held at our homes are alcohol free



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**We will monitor the behaviour
of our own children and their friends
and take action to prevent
the abuse of alcohol**

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**We will speak openly about underage
or irresponsible drinking and
bad behaviour and contact
parents of children who engage in
underage or irresponsible drinking**

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**We will not condone the purchase of
alcohol by adults for resale or
distribution to minors**

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