

## LETTERS

## PRIVATE ALCOHOL DETOX CLINICS

**Please tell us about them**

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An anonymous view describes the awful experiences of the author's son at several, mainly private, detox and rehabilitation clinics.<sup>1</sup> It is relevant to the Medical Council on Alcohol, a charity committed to improving medical understanding of alcohol related problems, to hear about such poor quality services—it is hard to get systematic data, which makes patients and families vulnerable.

As medical director of the Medical Council on Alcohol, I welcome any information (good and bad) on experiences at

similar facilities. All information will be treated in absolute confidence.

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<sup>1</sup> Private alcohol detox clinics should be regulated. *BMJ* 2011;342:d2399. (19 April.)

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