

I think I have been treated differently & unfairly because of my drug use - suspected drug use or past drug use.

Had difficulties in obtaining accommodation - was told there was a drug culture amongst residents - I explained there were drugs where I was and I was choosing not to use - I was eventually allowed to begin living there if I agreed to partake in D & A counselling outside facility and undergo case management within the complex - after 3 months no case management could be organised.

Because of my inability to do a supervised urine it went against me in my staying on parole and helped my parole being revoked. Even though someone high in corrections said they'd consider blood testing as an alternative - only if I did the ground work. When I reported back after much stress & frustration was told the cost was too much - \$100 plus. I responded saying surely that makes better sense to pay for a fortnightly amount like that, than a thousandish a week if returned to gaol - when I got out of gaol surprise, surprise, blood tests!

I also found out when police or people in work force have urine collected for drug screening they are treated a lot differently - privacy and consideration. At the time I rang JA - Discrimination Board - ACTIVE League - thought if I was any other minority - gay, black, female, disabled etc - I could have put a case forward ie discrimination.

I will be interested in attending in person in front of committee.

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