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New tasks of nationwide interest, which emerge from state-related problems or from the further development of specialist subject matter, are tackled by the DHS in projects. Third-party funds are employed in such work. National focus points in recent years have been “young People and Addiction”, “Age and Addiction”, “Medication Dependency” and “Alcohol Dependency”. In international projects and at European level alcohol is also a chief focus of project work. The work of the headquarters is supported by the Federal Government’s Ministry for Health.

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A SHORT INTRODUCTION

Informing people involved – Helping people affected

Successful and strong – Working together