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Our position

OPHA and its members have been in support of alcohol warning labels on alcohol products since 1996. OPHA asserts that:

- 1. Existing legislation in many jurisdictions does not adequately recognize alcohol as a drug, or indeed, as a product that is clearly associated with significant risk to public health and safety.
- 2. Any agent responsible for the manufacture, distribution, promotion, and sale of alcohol has a moral duty and a social responsibility to warn the public of the potential harm associated with its products.
- 3. Consumers have a right to know what constitutes "responsible consumption", the potential consequences of use and where to go for assistance.

We are writing to express s	support for t	he Draft Ro	egulation. The	ere is clear eviden	ce that such
labels containing factual				s (including car	ncers and liver
disease), the dangers of coa	nsuming alco	ohol while	pregnant, and	information on a	alcohol content
and calories, are an effective way to inform Irish consumers of the potential risks of alcohol					
consumption.					

1. Alcohol harms

Alcohol is a significant cause of health harms in Ireland. As per an analysis performed by UCC College Cork and Alcohol Action Irelandpotential harm

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