



Social marketing: A proven tool for improving the human condition

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Can Marketing Be a Source for Good?

• Three types of answers:

- 1. "Certainly not. This is the cause of many of our social problems"
- 2. "Yes if organisations are responsible companies"
- 3. "Yes if the powerful techniques of marketing are used for the good of mankind" (SM)

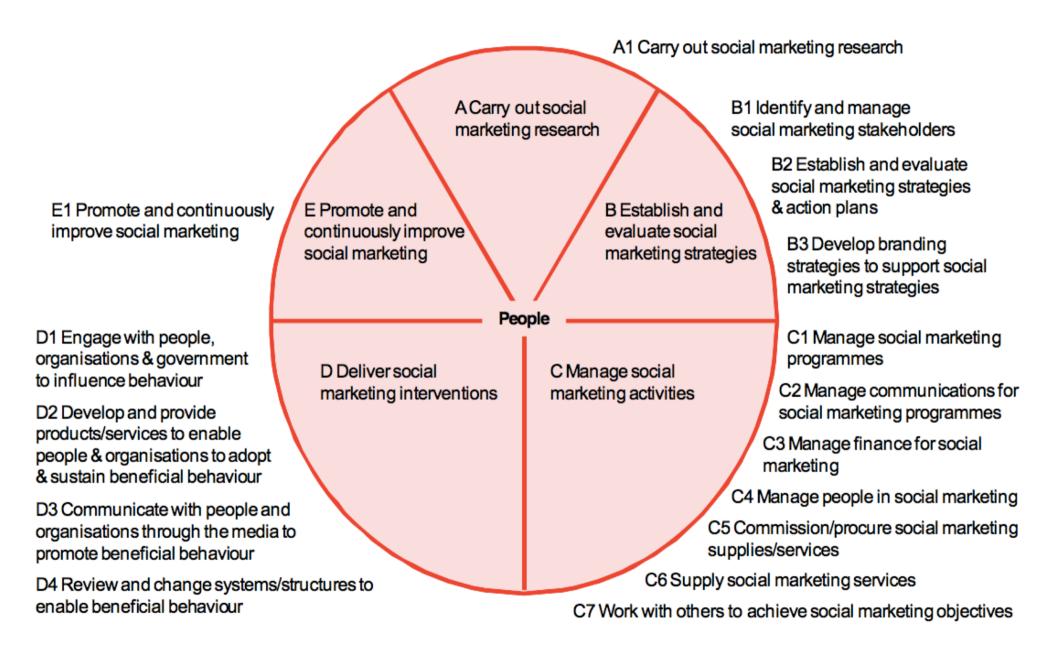
What I would like to cover is ...

- Some definitions
- Why SM is important?
- Is it effective in tackling social problems?
- How does it work?
- The future?

Differentiating marketing from SM?

- Marketing is the management process responsible for identifying, anticipating and satisfying customer requirements profitably (CIM)
- SMr's "Apply marketing alongside other concepts and techniques in order to influence individuals, organizations, policy makers, and decision makers to adopt and sustain behaviour which improves people's lives" (MSSSB)

An SM functional map



Consensus definition

Social Marketing seeks to develop and integrate marketing concepts with other approaches to influence behaviours that benefit individuals and communities for the greater social good.

Social Marketing practice is guided by ethical principles. It seeks to integrate research, best practice, theory, audience and partnership insight, to inform the delivery of competition sensitive and segmented social change programmes that are effective, efficient, equitable and sustainable.

(*iSMA*, AASM and ESMA, 2014)

SM is different from...

• Social Media Marketing

• Cause Marketing

Why SM should be looked at seriously?

- Developed from the hugely successful Marketing approach (stages)
- Challenge to materialistic perspective
- Effective for dealing with human problems

Areas addressed by SM

blinding trachoma community involvement diabetes doping in sport energy and water conservation environmental protection fighting abuse and inequality HIV/AIDS prevention injury prevention junk-food advertising mental health obesity oral and bowel cancer prevention

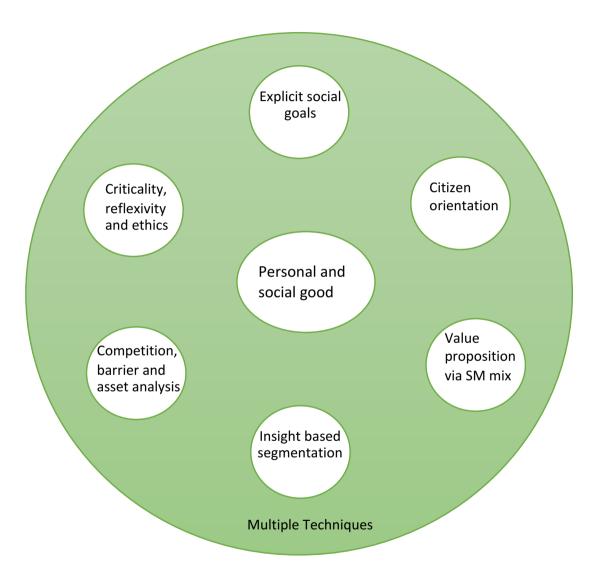
physical activity racism reducing prison numbers safe driving smoking cessation (or drug abuse) smoking in pregnancy social enterprise social exclusion sugar-free medicine suicide and domestic violence transportation waste prevention and recycling

(Fourali, 2016)

Principles of SM

| 1. | Behavioural Objectives | 11. Communication channels and other influences |
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| 2. | Audience insight | 12. Social policy intervention mix |
| 3. | Social good | 13. Value for citizens and civil society |
| 4. | Audience Segmentation | 14. Stakeholder/relationship management analysis |
| 5. | Research evidence and behavioural theory | 15. 4Cs tool box (Lauterborne) |
| 6. | Evaluation (short term, ROI and long term) | 16. Influences draw on rational choice and rapid cognition |
| 7. | Use marketing management strategies | 17. Focus on social equity |
| 8. | Ethical analysis and standards | 18. Consider costs and benefits of partnering with private sector organisations |
| 9. | Commercial marketing theory | 19. 4P tool box (McCarthy) in the intervention |
| 10 | . Upstream, midstream and downstream | 20. Popularise the social consequences of commercial marketing |

SM Core principle and 6 core concepts



(iSMA, ESMA, AASM and SMANA, 2017)

How does it work

- Persuading target groups to adopt healthier behaviours
- Top-down & Bottom up approaches
- Use of SM steps (next slide)

Summary of steps

SM planning steps (Fourali, 2010)

- 1. Problem identification (Government or NGO)
- 2. Planning (understanding causes and stakeholders)
- 3. Purpose/mission (awareness/attitudes? change lifestyles?)
- 4. Situation analysis/market research (challenges/opportunities)
- 5. Objectives (promising/SMART)
- 6. Target groups/obstacles (most vulnerable?)
- 7. The customer proposition (benefit of changes or no changes)
- 8. Selecting a marketing mix (new or traditional)
- 9. Implementation of the campaign (Recruit, Test & managing)
- 10. Resources (academics, Gov., NGOs, businesses etc)
- 11. Monitoring/evaluation (process and outcomes)

The future?

- New areas (e.g. conflict/wars)
- New techniques (enlightened eclecticism).



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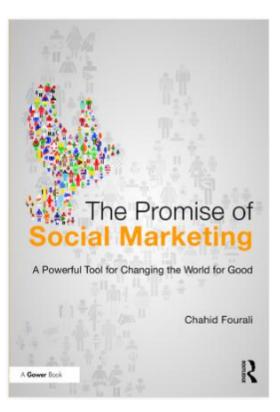
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