

## CUSTODY INSPECTION 2014 IMPROVEMENT PLAN

SCT Portfolio Owner: ACC B-Division and Crime

Detailed Force Feedback

Improvement Plan Owner: Head of Offender Management

Ref	Area for Improvement	Action Owner	Due Date	Initial Response	Latest Update	Date of Update	Complete Yes/No	RAG Status
<b>Section 6. Health Care</b>								
Detainees have access to competent health care professionals who meet their physical health, mental health and substance use needs in a timely way. (Substance Misuse)								
<b>Recommendations</b>								
6.23	Links with local drug and alcohol services should provide detainees with the opportunity to manage their addictions and receive continuity of care while in custody.	Head of Offender Management	01-Dec-14	Local arrangements are in place to meet these needs , but they are being developed further under the OM Work streams and have been covered in the new NHS Commissioned healthcare service specification covering liaison and diversion routes.	<p>In the short term BTP is currently in discussions to be included in the London Liaison and Diversion Scheme. BTPs long term position is that drug intervention personnel will form part of BTPs service specification. Current service providers contract will be up for renewal August 2015 and this will be address. This is ongoing work and will be further reported on in Dec 2014. Inspector Lydon has been in discussion with Mark Landy , A/Director of North London Forensic Mental Health Service to discuss extending the services of embedded mental health professionals into B Div Custody suites.</p> <p>Update 15 December 2014 - Meeting arranged for 18/12/14 with NHSE and Liaison and Diversion Senior Commissioners to scope out what is available and can be provided within the existing Learning and Development schemes in London, this will be attended by PI 7355.</p> <p>Update 29 January 2015 - PI Lydon met with NHSE on 19/12/15 and secured funding for mental health support workers and referral. Offer letter has gone to Barnet, Enfield and Haringey MH Trust on 12/01/15 Jan by NHSE and staff are being recruited with the timescale for service implementation by April 2015.</p> <p>Update 16 April 2015 - The service has been scoped, resourced, and commences on 30 April 2015 providing a 09.00 - 21.00hrs support service of dedicated workers and advice line provided by Barnet, Enfield and Haringey MH Trust.</p> <p>Update 24 August 2015 - This will be covered under the NHSE Custody healthcare contract that is being procured jointly between us , COLP and NHSE . This is a live procurement process currently and NHSE Co Commissioning is reported into BTPA People and Standards Committee.</p> <p>Update 4 November 2015 - The current arrangements are in place until November 2016 and BTP is considering the progress of options with NHSE beyond that date. A paper has gone to ACC Newton to provide an update and briefing on options for the force.</p>	04-Nov-15	No	GREEN
<b>Housekeeping Points</b>								
6.24	Alcohol and opiate withdrawal screening tools should be available in all suites.	Head of Offender Management	01-Dec-14	This is something that should be discussed at a strategic/tactical level with OMU. This should be welcomed as a positive path to take as it will assist with crime reduction and offender management.	<p>Ongoing, being scoped and feasibility established under 6.23 above.</p> <p>Update 29 January 2015 - PI Lydon has commenced discussions with London Lead (CJIT ) from Public Health England on progressing a business case to have testing, assessment and referral for trigger offences and drug users. The scope and feasibility will be presented in a business case to Supt Wratten, 31 March 2015.</p> <p>Update 19 March 2015 - Following a recent review of the Police Act by the Justice Directorate in relation to BTPs legal position around drug testing the view is that BTP are not covered to authorise Drug Trigger Testing because of the anomaly in the legislation. Discussions are currently taking place with the Home Office legal department in relation to addressing this issue.</p> <p>Update 16 April 2015 - A paper has been submitted by the justice directorate (08/04/15) to Crime and Investigations SMT Lead setting out the legal situation and proposed options for resolution at ACPO level by either lobbying HO for a change in legislation or for an approach to be made to MPS to ascertain their willingness to cover BTP under their authorisation from the home office (the latter has not been recommended by JD).</p> <p>Update 24 August 2015 - A further paper is being submitted to FEB on the 7 September 2015 relating to the legal position and whether BTP will seek to lobby for a change or approach MPS for support from them to conduct drug testing on BTP's behalf.</p> <p>Update 4 Nov 2015 - ACC Newton is in liaison with the MET Police to determine whether we can carry out DIP testing under the authorisations provided to their force.</p>	04-Nov-15	No	AMBER