

Westminster Legal Policy Forum Keynote Seminar: Next steps for improving offender health - following up the Bradley recommendations

Date: Morning, 16th November 2010

Venue: Hall of India & Pakistan, Royal Over-Seas League, Park Place, St James's Street, London SW1A 1LR

Agenda subject to change

- 8.45 - 9.00 Registration
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chairman's opening remarks**
Baroness Linklater of Butterstone
- 9.05 - 9.15 **The state of offender health - an overview**
Alex Baylis, Programme Manager, Care Quality Commission
- 9.15 - 9.55 **Offender health: assessment and access to treatment**
Which sections of the offender population are most affected by health complaints, and what are their main health concerns? What screening and assessment takes place at the point of arrest? What is being done to address the disproportionately high levels of alcohol and drug misuse in prisons and how could this be improved? Are rehabilitation programmes providing adequate assistance to offenders, and how could they be better tailored to aid those serving short-term sentences and those with learning difficulties? Should health services provided in police stations be transferred to the NHS, and if so, what would be the practical issues?
Jenny Talbot, Programme Manager, Prison Reform Trust
Dr Marcus Roberts, Director of Policy and Membership, DrugScope
Sister Lynda Dearlove, Director, Women@thewell
Questions and comments from the floor with **Alex Baylis**, Programme Manager, Care Quality Commission
- 9.55 - 10.25 **The Bradley review - where are we now?**
Rt Hon the Lord Bradley, Author, Independent Review of Mental Health in the Criminal Justice System
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.25 - 10.30 **Chairman's closing remarks**
Baroness Linklater of Butterstone
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Baroness Masham of Ilton
- 10.55 - 11.50 **Delivering effective mental healthcare for offenders**
To what extent have the Bradley recommendations been delivered and what are the outstanding areas of work? How are personality disorders classified, to what extent are they recognised in the criminal justice system, and how can they best be managed? What role do forensic mental health services play in diverting individuals away from prison, and should greater emphasis be placed on diversion? How successful has the mental health courts pilot been, and should it be implemented on a permanent, more extensive basis? Who in the criminal health workforce receives mental health training, what training is delivered, and are current training practices sufficient?
Sean Duggan, Joint Chief Executive, Centre for Mental Health
Phil Taylor, Governor, HMP Wormwood Scrubs
Gill Arukpe, Chief Executive, Penrose
Martin Corfe, Lead Nurse, Criminal Justice Liaison Team, Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust
Professor Eddie Kane, Director, Personality Disorder Research Institute; Special Professor, Social Policy and Law, University of Nottingham and Visiting Professor, Faculty of Neuro-Sciences Psychological-Medicine, School of Medicine, Imperial College London
Dr Kerry Manson, Consultant Clinical Psychologist, Primary Care Psychological Services, HMP Liverpool
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.50 - 12.30 **Next steps for improving offender health**
How significant are budgetary cuts in this area likely to be and how will this impact on the delivery of offender healthcare and rehabilitation? How can the approach set out in 'World Class Commissioning' inform and support offender health commissioning? How can criminal justice, health and social care partnerships be strengthened at all levels, and in what way could the sharing of information be improved? What steps need to be taken to realise the increased emphasis on prevention and early intervention as recommended by Lord Bradley? How frequently are Community Orders issued, are they effective, and could they be further tailored to reflect the needs of those with mental health or learning difficulties? What lessons can be learnt from the approach of private prisons to offender healthcare?
Dominic Williamson, Chief Executive, Revolving Doors Agency
Vanessa Fowler, Assistant Director of Specialist Mental Health & Secure Services, Kent and Medway NHS Primary Care Trust
Dr Mike Sadler, Chief Operating Officer, Health, Serco Group
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 - 12.55 **Next steps for policy**
Richard Bradshaw, Director, Offender Health, Department of Health
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chairman's and Westminster Legal Policy Forum closing remarks**
Baroness Masham of Ilton
Sean Cudmore, Senior Producer, Westminster Legal Policy Forum