

Action Plan in response to the PPO Report into the death of Mr Igor Vujkovic on 11 May 2024 at HMP Maidstone

Rec No	Recommendation	Accepted / Not accepted	Response Action Taken / Planned	Responsible Owner and Organisation	Target Date
1	The Head of Healthcare should ensure that prisoners with epilepsy are referred to a doctor, placed on a long-term care pathway and have a care plan.	Accepted	All long-term conditions are referred for triage and the GP if appropriate. However, it should be acknowledged that not all prisoners will engage with this process and/or permit healthcare staff to release confidential medical information.	Head of Healthcare. Oxleas NHS Foundation Trust	Completed
2	The Head of Healthcare should establish a system for medication reviews with prisoners who fail to collect their medication on several occasions.	Accepted	All prisoners who have supervised or daily in possession medication and fail to collect on three consecutive days are referred to the initial prescriber for a review. They may also be referred for a review by the visiting pharmacist. Following data analysis, all missed medications are reported on weekly to the Head of Healthcare.	Head of Healthcare Oxleas NHS Foundation Trust	Completed
3	The Governor and Head of Healthcare should review their information sharing protocol for prisoners with serious medical conditions such as epilepsy.	Accepted	Healthcare inform Diversity and Inclusion when a prisoner comes in with a serious medical condition, including epilepsy and a social care referral is considered depending on the individual's needs. The local PEEP policy has been updated to ensure that a prisoner with	Governor HMPPS Head of Healthcare Oxleas NHS Foundation Trust	January 2025

			<p>epilepsy has a PEEP assessment to support them in the event of an evacuation. Prisoners must agree to information being shared and are invited to sign an information sharing form upon induction, however, they cannot be forced to sign this.</p> <p>The Head of Safety and Head of Healthcare will review the processes in place and publish this by the end of January 2025.</p>		
4	<p>The Commissioner for Health and Justice NHS England South East should work collaboratively with commissioned healthcare providers in custodial settings to formulate a regional approach and implement a process on when to recommend cell sharing for prisoners with life-threatening long-term conditions such as epilepsy.</p>		<p>NHSE South East are co-ordinating and facilitating a learning event focussed on raising awareness of epilepsy and how to manage in custodial settings. This will be held in Q1 25-26. In addition to this Direct, Specialised, Commissioning Quality Team (DSCQT) will work in partnership with our commissioned healthcare providers to create localised processes to ensure that those prisoners with long term conditions such as epilepsy are identified during reception processes, information is shared with prison colleagues with patient consent and participate in cell sharing risk assessments where appropriate to do so.</p>	<p>Direct & Specialised Commissioning Quality Team (DSCQT) NHS England - South East Region</p>	<p>April 2025</p>