

ACTION PLAN: Death of A Male Prisoner – HMP Whitemoor

No	Recommendation	Accepted/Not Accepted	Response	Target date for completion and function responsible
1	<p>The Head of Healthcare should ensure that prisoners in the Fens Unit have routine health monitoring and promotion and healthcare serviced which are fully integrated with those in the rest of the prison.</p>	<p>Accepted</p>	<p>New commissioning arrangements mean that from April 2015 the Healthcare Department will have more of a physical presence on the Fens Unit as the administration of medicine for that area becomes the responsibility of the healthcare department.</p> <p>This change in culture and processes will allow closer monitoring of the service users residing on this unit. In return this increased patient contact will help with health promotion and lead to closer health monitoring.</p> <p>The nursing team will be able to utilise the time dispensing medication to “make every contact count” and use this increased time with their patients promoting physical health and wellbeing.</p>	<p>April 2015</p> <p>Head of Healthcare</p>
2	<p>The Head of Healthcare should ensure that all prisoners have an appropriate health screen when they arrive at Whitemoor. Reception nurses should have access to SystemOne records for initial screens and prisoners’ medical histories should be summarised on their records with chronic and serious conditions highlighted.</p>	<p>Accepted</p>	<p>In light of the new SystemOne prescribing module, for this system to function to its full potential and increase patient safety, a computer terminal is required in Reception. This has been listed on the suggested action plan for the implementation of the SystemOne prescribing module.</p> <p>This will require considerable financial input and is currently at the bidding stage.</p>	<p>April 2015</p> <p>Head of Healthcare</p>

3	The Governor should ensure that when a cell door is unlocked, staff satisfy themselves of the well-being of the prisoner and that there are no immediate issues that need attention.	Accepted	<p>A staff information notice has been published to ensure staff are aware of this requirement. The notice includes the following information:</p> <p><i>“Best practice is <u>always</u> to get a physical and or verbal response from the prisoner. This action may identify any prisoner who may have been taken ill and is not showing signs of life.</i></p> <p><i>Unlock, check the prisoner, move on. A simple but effective welfare check at any time of unlock may be a life saving action, please consider your own unlocking procedures and adjust if necessary”</i></p>	<p>Completed</p> <p>The Governor and Head of Safer Prisons and Equality</p>
4	The Governor and Head of Healthcare should ensure that all staff are given clear guidance about the circumstances in which resuscitation is inappropriate.	Accepted	<p>Following new guidance from the British Medical Association, the Royal College of Nursing and the Resuscitation Council (UK) issued in October 2014, on making decisions about attempting cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), NOMS Equality, Rights and Decency Group is due to meet with NHS England colleagues in January 2015 to discuss the guidance. A note will then be issued to all prison staff.</p>	<p>January 2015</p> <p>NOMS ERDG Governor Head of Healthcare</p>