

Action Plan- Peter Siddall, HMP Pentonville, date of death 24/03/2016

No	Recommendation	Accepted/Not Accepted	Response	Target date for completion and function responsible
1	The Governor should ensure that he and all staff undertaking risk assessments for prisoners taken to hospital understand the legal position and that assessments fully take into account the health of a prisoner and are based on the actual risk the prisoner presents at the time.	Accepted	<p>May 2016, NOMS issued a learning bulletin on “Emergency Response and the Use of Restraints” which sets out the legal position on restraints and confirms that their use must be proportionate to the perceived risk at that time and take into account medical opinion on the prisoner’s current health status. NHS England have issued the same bulletin to all Heads of Healthcare.</p> <p>This bulletin has been made available to all staff at Pentonville and to support this, all Duty Governors will receive a further reminder at team briefings to ensure that risk assessments are based on the current risk posed by the prisoner.</p>	14 th May 2016 Governor
2	The Governor should ensure, in line with Prison Rule 22, that the next of kin of seriously ill prisoners are informed as soon as possible so that they are able to visit them in hospital without delay.	Accepted	All staff will be reminded of the need to ensure that next of kin are promptly informed as soon as it becomes clear that a prisoner is seriously ill, or is advised by treating medical staff that the prisoner’s condition has seriously deteriorated. Local written procedures will reflect the need for the family liaison officer or designated member of staff to inform next of kin as soon as possible.	31 st October 2016 Head of Safer Prisons