

Action Plan: Death of a Male prisoner at Highpoint on 1 July 2014

No	Recommendation	Accepted/Not Accepted	Response	Target date for completion and function responsible	Progress (to be updated after 6 months)
1	The Governor should ensure that risk assessments for prisoners being taken to hospital fully take into account the health of a prisoner and are based on the actual risk the prisoner presents at the time. The use of double handcuffs for category C prisoners should be exceptional and fully justified in writing.	Accepted	The current escort/bedwatch local risk assessment is being amended to ensure there is heightened linkage between security considerations and the healthcare needs of the prisoner at the point of discharge to the assigned medical facility. In the case that a prisoner escort requires double cuffs then there will be a new box on the local risk assessment form asking for full justification to be given in writing. This justification will be based on relevant and up to date intelligence. The local risk assessment document at HMP Highpoint will take into account the requirements contained in the standard risk assessment form within the National Security Framework. All future risk assessments will evidence the actual risk posed at the time of escort and all risk assessments carried out will be monitored via external and internal audits processes.	Governor Head of Security Target date for completion: 30 th September 2015	