

# Action Plan in response to the PPO Report into the death of Mr Andriejus Kostiajevas on 25/04/2021 at HMP Woodhill

| Rec No | Recommendation  | Accepted / Not accepted | Response Action Taken / Planned  | Responsible Owner and Organisation            | Target Date |
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| 1      | The Governor of Woodhill should ensure that all staff are reminded that they should radio a medical emergency code without delay when a prisoner appears to be hanging.   | Accepted                | A Notice To Staff (NTS) about medical emergency response procedures was issued on January 14 <sup>th</sup> 2022.<br><br>The NTS reminded staff to radio a medical emergency response code and to call an ambulance without delay in line with PSI 03/2013.   | Head of Safety & Prisoner Equalities<br>HMPPS | Completed   |
| 2      | Where a secure hospital has been identified as the best environment to deliver appropriate care for a prisoner, the NHS England Specialist Commissioning Team should take all possible steps to ensure this takes place within the 14 day target set out in the Department of Health's good practice guide of 2011. | Accepted                | NHS England and NHS Improvement continue to focus on the pathway for transfers and remissions of adult prisoners to and from mental health hospitals. New performance metrics have been developed by NHS England and NHS Improvement to monitor patients being referred, assessed, and transferred under the Mental Health Act (MHA). These were adopted in April 2021, and work is ongoing to improve the consistency, quality and oversight on all | NHS England Specialist Commissioning Team     | Completed   |



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|  |  | <p>referrals. It is vital to ensure that for every individual referred, the best decisions are made to enable access to the most appropriate service, in the correct location, and promptly.</p> <p>Further to this, work is underway to develop a whole-pathway approach to the care of offenders. This includes diverting offenders from the criminal justice system where appropriate, and reconnecting those leaving custody with health services in the community.</p> <p>In June 2021 NHS England and NHS Improvement published revised Transfer and Remission Guidance for prisons and immigration removal centres <a href="#"><u>[NHS England » Guidance for the transfer and remission of adult prisoners and immigration removal centre detainees under the Mental Health Act 1983]</u></a> The updated timescales within the Guidance reflect recommendations from the Independent Review of the MHA; Modernising the Mental Health Act; Increasing choice, reducing compulsion (2017) and subsequent White Paper – Reforming the Mental Health Act (2021)</p> |  |  |
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|  |  | <p>National and regional teams in NHS England and NHS Improvement are working closely with the Adult Secure NHS-led Provider Collaboratives as the vehicle for the delivery of improvement in the effectiveness and quality of adult medium and low secure services. In line with the Long Term Plan ambition the Provider Collaborative Programme gives local ownership to providers for the whole pathway, including the interface with the criminal justice system, and the resource for their own populations. This enables them to make commissioning decisions to improve and integrate services. Further to this, a strategic commissioning plan is being developed that will describe the clinical model, pathways and capacity required for implementation.</p> <p>The overall strategic direction continues to be the maintenance of existing adult secure bed capacity, (not an increase) with improved geographical distribution. The focus is on improving efficiency across the pathway, e.g. ensuring appropriate lengths of stay, and reducing transitions with better throughput.</p> |  |  |
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| 3 | The Head of Healthcare should ensure that a summary of current treatments in prison is supplied to support hospital appointments. | Accepted | <p>In August 2021, the services Support Manager developed a Local Operating Procedure (LOP), this has been circulated to all healthcare staff within the establishment and is also available in the duty room.</p> <p>To ensure that hospital practitioners are able to complete a full assessment on prisoners under their care, the prison healthcare administration team who are currently responsible for overseeing the booking of hospital appointments, must now ensure that the patient has a Summary of Care (SOC) when leaving the establishment to attend any hospital appointments.</p> | Head of Healthcare<br>NHS England | Completed |
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