

Action Plan in response to the PPO Report into the death of Lewis Jack Finch on 05/10/2021 at HMP Swaleside

Rec No	Recommendation	Accepted / Not accepted	Response Action Taken / Planned	Responsible Owner and Organisation	Target Date
1	The Governor should ensure that all unexplained medication finds are reported promptly to the healthcare department and substance misuse services.	Accepted	<p>All staff have been advised by safety briefings and a Notice to Staff (NTS) of the importance to promptly report any medication finds to the healthcare department and substance misuse services. During the initial safety briefing, staff were required to sign to say they had received the briefing.</p> <p>The NTS reminders will be reissued every three months and staff will be reminded verbally during the briefing on a weekly basis.</p>	Governing Governor HMPPS	Completed
2	The Head of Healthcare should review systems for regular assessment of prisoners deemed as responsible to hold medication in their own possession.	Accepted	In possession risk assessments are conducted on arrival with those prisoners who keep their medication in possession. The risk assessment is reviewed after a three month period following a stabilisation period and also annually. Thereafter, reviews are completed on a recall system.	Head of Healthcare Care Quality Commission	Completed



			Local procedures have been developed to embed this process within the team and an auditing process within SystmOne.		
3	The Head of Healthcare should review systems to ensure that prisoners are receiving their prescribed medication.	Accepted	Local procedures are being developed alongside an auditing tool to ensure patients with missed doses are highlighted and reviewed in good time. This will be shared with staff and will be monitored by the Health and Justice Indicators of Performance data	Head of Healthcare Care Quality Commission	October 2022
4	The Head of Healthcare should review systems for ensuring that prisoners issued medication in their own possession are taking that medication as directed.	Accepted	A local process is currently being implemented to conduct in possession spot checks with patients who have in possession medication. Any patient found not to be taking medication in accordance with their prescription will be referred for a medication review with the prescriber.	Head of Healthcare Care Quality Commission	October 2022
5	The Head of Healthcare should ensure that any reports of prisoners suffering potentially serious issues are properly investigated.	Accepted	A Notice to Staff has been issued to the mental health team advising them in the event they become aware of any reports of prisoners suffering potentially serious physical health issues they must contact the primary care team directly to hand this information over. All members of staff have been issued with the notice, and have signed to say they have received and understood it.	Head of Healthcare Care Quality Commission	Completed
6	The Head of Healthcare should review emergency response arrangements to ensure help	Accepted	All healthcare staff who carry hotel one radios have been briefed on their roles, responsibilities and the importance of responding to a medical emergency response code without delay.	Head of Healthcare Care Quality Commission	Completed



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