POLICE SCOTLAND AND THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE

A PUBLIC HEALTH APPROACH TO POLICE CUSTODY HEALTHCARE

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BACKGROUND

• Amalgamation of Scottish Police Forces

• Creation of National Custody Division

• Transfer of responsibility for custody healthcare to NHS Scotland

• Development of Custody Healthcare provision
• 79 custody centres across the country – 33 open 24/7

• Number of cells nationally – 801 primary; 255 demand led

• Throughput – ca. 118000

• Repeat custodies 2018/2019 - 27.35%

• Complex health and social needs

• A National Data System
Delivering better healthcare outcomes through more effective partnerships
A public health approach

what
• What is the problem (nature and scale)?
• What are the causes (determinants) including risk and preventive factors?
• What works (assessment of and contribution to the evidence base)?
• Is it working in practice (implementation and evaluation)?

how
• A prevention emphasis (upstream)
• A population approach (ecological model)
• Partnership and collaboration (whole systems)

why
• Social justice (reduction of inequalities; trauma informed; human rights based)

‘from crisis management to health improvement’
Police Care Network Scotland: what we do

The Network aims to support national consistency in service quality and healthcare outcomes for individuals in police care across Scotland through the delivery of:

• Person centred healthcare services for people in police custody

• Accessible, person centred, trauma informed healthcare and forensic medical services and access to recovery for those who have experienced rape or sexual assault

• High quality forensic medical evidence
Police Care Network Scotland: how we do it

- National strategic leadership and advice to key partners
- Forum for partnership working
- Engagement with senior delivery partners if significant operational issues are identified
- Development of clinically assured, evidence informed guidance
- Support the development of service standards through collaboration with relevant scrutiny bodies
- IT and Data intelligence to support service delivery and quality improvement
- Research and innovation
- Peer review and support for health care professionals
- Workforce development
- Advocacy
Police Care Network Scotland: some key examples

- Quality, Outcome and Improvement Framework
- Substance misuse guidance
- Drug searching guidance
- Medicines management
- Head injury guidance
- Delivery of health interventions e.g. Alcohol Brief Interventions; Take Home Naloxone; Nicotine Replacement Therapy
- Annual reports and stakeholder events
- Support the work of the CMO Taskforce to improve services for victims of rape and sexual assault

These and more in the marketplace session shortly
Challenges

• Police Scotland reform
• Health service reform
• Workforce (especially forensic)
• Limited resource
• Differing organisational cultures
Elements of success

- Leadership (from bottom to top)
- Buy in
- Experienced network support
- Relationship building
- Tied into effective existing structures (e.g. regional planning)
- Common purpose
- Mutual respect
Where Next? The Criminal Justice Pathway

- National Prisoner Healthcare Network
- Community Justice Scotland
- Health & Justice Collaboration Board
- Police Care Network

Pathway:
1. Court
2. Arrest/police custody
3. First police contact
4. Sentence (prison or community)
5. Community

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Marketplace Sessions

• The room will now be divided into 4 areas
• Colleagues from the Police Care Network will be showcasing good practice
• Opportunity for questions and conversations
• 3 x 20 minute sessions
• After 20 minutes, move to another area (you will be prompted!)
• Reconvene to reflect and close
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