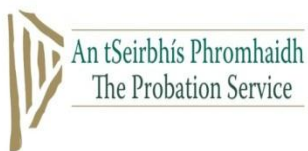




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- Completed by the Project Partners - Estonia, Germany (Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania), Finland and Ireland
- Through a series of structured questions assembles a step-by-step profile of the management and transition of High Risk Prisoners from committal to custody to resettlement in the community
- Identifies key steps, actions, issues arising, challenges and areas for attention.
- Provides a background briefing to inform and promote discussion, sharing of experience and knowledge exchange in the working groups.

Background Information Document

- Information was gathered in 9 questions
- Not an exhaustive review of responses to each question
- Key issues arising and pointers to areas of interest
- Shared concerns and common challenges
- Revise and update the Background Information Document following this workshop.

Questions

- **Question 1** Please briefly describe any law, legal direction or policy direction that imposes specific requirements/obligations on transition management or post-custody supervision/management of high risk offenders. E.g. preventive detention etc.
- **Question 2** Please briefly describe Court sentence or other orders /requirements imposed at sentencing that influence or impact on transition management or post-custody supervision/management of high risk offenders. E.g. Post custody supervision order, sex offender registration/reporting etc.

Questions

- Question 3 Please briefly describe sentence management or other processes during sentence in custody that influence, have relevance to or make a contribution to the transition management or post-custody supervision/management of high risk offenders. E.g. Sentence management systems, relevant interventions etc.
- Question 4 Please briefly describe in-custody assessment and evaluation processes that influence or contribute to planning and decision making in preparation for transition management or post-custody supervision/management of high risk offenders. E.g. risk/need assessment, assessment for group or individual programmes etc.

Questions

- Question 5 Please briefly describe transition management and related processes prior to release from custody that have relevance or make a contribution to the transition management or post-custody supervision/management of high risk offenders. E.g. multi-disciplinary/agency planning/interventions, personal plans, case conferences, etc.
- Question 6 Please briefly describe post-custody supervision/management and related processes after custody that have relevance to or make a contribution to the post-custody supervision of high risk offenders. E.g. , authorities involved, frequency of contact etc.

Questions

- Question 7 Briefly describe how post custody non-compliance and break-down is addressed and managed. E.g. recall to custody,
- Question 8 Please briefly describe key partnerships or joint working arrangements not already referred to in this summary that are important to transition management or post-custody supervision/management of high risk offenders. E.g. Community based homelessness services etc.

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Questions

- Question 9 Please briefly describe two particular initiatives, challenges or issues (one in custody and one in the community) contributing to or arising in transition management or post-custody supervision/management of high risk offenders that you wish to highlight in a workshop presentation.



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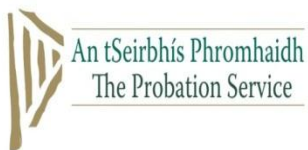


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Definition

A high risk offender (violent or sexual offender) is someone who presents a high probability to commit crimes which may cause very serious personal, physical or psychological harm'



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