

To: PCT Finance Directors  
DAAT Leads  
NTA Regional Development Managers  
NOMS commissioning managers  
Directors and Controllers Contracted Prisons (England)

22nd November 2011

Gateway number 16917

Dear Colleagues,

**Re: Non-clinical substance misuse services in contracted adult prisons (England)**

As you may be aware, from April 2011 NHS Primary Care Trusts assumed responsibility for the funding of substance misuse services (excluding security interventions) in all prisons in England. Further to the formal announcement of this change (Gateway no **Gateway Number 15827 dated 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011**), this letter provides more information on the position in relation to adult contracted prisons in England.

With the exception of Integrated Drug Treatment System (IDTS) funds, the substance misuse services in these prisons are included within the scope of the contracts between the provider and the National Offender Management Service, (NOMS). Services at seven of these prisons are provided under a Private Finance Initiative (PFI) contract which are not due for renewal for several years.

In the interim, the PCT (as part of the local Drug and Alcohol Action Team commissioning group, which includes the National Offender Management Service), and the provider should work together to reconfigure services in accordance with the evidence base and outcomes cited in Appendices B and D of the Patel review, as per the 2011-12 NHS Operating Framework.

In order to realise this work, at all times the PCTs/DAATs will need to ensure they co-ordinate their activities with the NOMS Commissioning Manager as this will facilitate a Notice of Change to be agreed between all the parties and issued under the relevant contract by NOMS. This co-commissioning approach will need to meet corporate governance requirements of NOMS and the financial governance requirements of both the PCT and DAAT partnership.

Further advice and support can be obtained from:

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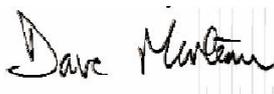
Non PFI contracts

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#### Contracted prisons

PCT	Funding	Prison	Contract	Contractor
Liverpool	£1,000,000	Altcourse	PFI	G4S
Surrey	£300,000	Bronzefield	PFI	Sodexo Justice
Doncaster NHS	£850,000	Doncaster	Non PFI	Serco
South Staffordshire	£750,000	Dovegate	PFI	Serco
Salford	£1,000,000	Forest Bank	PFI	Sodexo Justice
Nottinghamshire County	£500,000	Lowdham Grange	PFI	Serco
Peterborough NHS	£700,000	Peterborough	PFI	Sodexo Justice
Northamptonshire	£500,000	Rye Hill	PFI	G4S
East Riding of Yorkshire	£300,000	Wolds	Non PFI	G4S

Yours sincerely,



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