

FOI271 Response

Request

I wish to submit a freedom of information request regarding the number of males who were referred to the Offender Personality Disorder Pathway, for the time range of 2010 to the present day.

The information may be used in research, examining the Link between Personality Disorders and Male Violent and Sexual Offending

Response

Background information

Pathways for Risk reduction, Offering Support to Progress, empowering you to Recover (PROSPER) is a multidisciplinary community-based service for Individuals who either have a diagnosis of personality disorder, or personality characteristics which are problematic and linked to their risk behaviors.

The service provides extra support when transitioning from prison or hospital, into the community to live a life that is meaningful and to reduce their risk of re-offending or returning to secure settings.

PROSPER is part of the Offender Personality Disorder (OPD) Pathway, partnership between Health, HMPPS, and Reach Out Partnership between BSMHFT, MPFT and St Andrews Healthcare.

Advice & Forensic Formulation to Inform Risk (AFFIRM) is an Offender Personality Disorder Pathway service working in a consultation role with the National Probation Service and Prisons across the West Midlands.

Tamarind and Reaside is as an inpatient medium secure service that provides assessment, treatment, and rehabilitation to male patients with a forensic history, suffering with complex, as well as severe mental health problems and exhibit seriously aggressive or threatening behaviour.

Prison Healthcare HMP Birmingham is a service provided by the Trust for any individual within HMP Birmingham experiencing acute mental health distress or severe and enduring mental illness, whereby the prisoner is known to psychiatric services.

The service is also provided for individuals undergoing assessment of acute and problematic primary mental health care needs beyond the scope of prison primary care.

Please table below and note the following,

- The data provided for the Trust's AFFIRM service is in relation to open referrals to the Offender Personality Disorder Pathway for patients on a probation licence and does not account for patients who are currently not on a licence.
- The data provided for the Trust's AFFIRM service is representative from 2014 – 2nd February 2021 and data prior to 2014 cannot be provided. This is because the pathway was not initiated until May 2014.
- The data provided for the Trust's PROSPER service includes one individual transitioning from male to female.
- The data provided for the Trust's PROSPER service is representative from May 2019 – 2nd February 2021 and data prior to May 2019 cannot be provided. This is because the service was not open to referrals until May 2019.
- Data cannot be provided for the Trust's Reaside and Tamarind inpatient service, this is because obtaining the requested information will require exhaustive manual search and

collation which the Trust does not have capacity to carry out during these unprecedented times. The Trust therefore rely on exemption Section 12 to refuse this part of the request.

- Data cannot be provided for the Prison Healthcare HMP Birmingham service, this is because we do not have access to the requested information as the pathway for referrals does not sit within HMP healthcare rather with the Offender Manager (Probation). The Trust therefore rely on exemption Section 21 the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and recommend that you redirect your request to HMP Birmingham Offender Management Unit to obtain the number of referrals to the Offender Personality Disorder Pathway.

Service Area	Number of referrals
AFFIRM	947
PROSPER	81
Reaside	Unable to provide requested data. Exemption Section 12
Tamarind	Unable to provide requested data. Exemption Section 12
Prison Healthcare HMP Birmingham	Please redirect you request to HMP Birmingham Offender Management Unit