A review of the factors that influence high, medium and low secure forensic care pathways

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Forensic Services

- Forensic Services provide assessment and treatment to individuals with a mental disorder who have committed or are at serious risk of committing a criminal offence, and are likely to cause serious physical and/or psychological harm to themselves or others.
- Individuals are managed in secure environments of high, medium and low levels of security depending on the seriousness of their index offence, levels of behavioural disturbance and potential for absconding or escape.
Care Pathway

Forensic Services

- Court & Police Diversion Schemes
- Forensic Community Treatment
- Transforming Rehabilitation
- Offender Health Services
- Medium Secure Services
- Low Secure Services
- High Secure Services

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Example Profiles

Figure 24 - Age Profile of Patients by Level of Security (2005-2010)
Growth in population

Figure 28 - Population Growth & Gender Split (2005-2010*)
Pathways In

Figure 29 - Sources of Admission to High Secure Services over time

- Prison / YOI
- NHS Medium Secure
- Low Secure/PICU NHS
- Independent Medium Secure
Figure 30 - Sources of Admission to Medium Secure over time

Prison / YOI
NHS High Secure
Low Secure/PICU NHS
Local services
Independent Low Secure
Figure 31 - Sources of Admission to Low Secure over time

- Prison / YOI
- NHS Medium Secure
- NHS High Secure
- Local services
- Independent Medium Secure
Variation in Pathways

• Variation in provision
• Issues of effectiveness
• Length of stay
• Variation in expenditure
Influential Factors

• Imprisonment for public protection
• Prison Health
• Particular groups
• Finance, capacity and patient flows
• Patients and professional affecting patient flows
• Organisational Factors
Use Profile

Figure 5 - Profile of Secure Occupied Bed Days (2005-2009)
Figure 8 - Secure Services Admissions & Discharges Summary (2005 - 2009)

- Admissions Low Secure: 428
- Discharges Low Secure: 203
- Admissions Medium Secure: 330
- Discharges Medium Secure: 275
- Admission High Secure: 53
- Discharges High Secure: 66
Local Service Factors

Figure 11 - Low Secure OBDs/Assertive Outreach Investment per PCT
Figure 12 - Assertive Outreach Spend/Secure & High Dependency Spend

WeightedAO £/Head

Weighted Secure & High Dependency Spend/Head
Figure 17 - Secure OBDs/PCT Prison Population

- High
- Medium
- Low

Weighted OBDs vs. Prison Population per PCT
Reducing Variation

- 100+ KPIs High Secure
- Eq. prison KPIs
- Waiting times etc
- 30-50 KPIs Medium & Low Secure
- Medium, Low & High Secure Specifications
- Case Management
- Transitions
Closing Remarks & Questions