

OFFENDER HEALTHCARE: WHOSE RESPONSIBILITY IS IT ANYWAY?

Responsibility for *commissioning* healthcare for people in the criminal justice system is divided amongst several organisations:

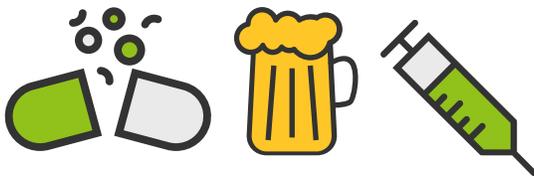
1. CCGs



Clinical Commissioning Groups commission healthcare for offenders that are managed in the community such as people on probation

They are also required to participate in Community Safety Partnerships and to contribute to Joint Strategic Needs Assessments (JSNAs) and Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategies (JHWSs)

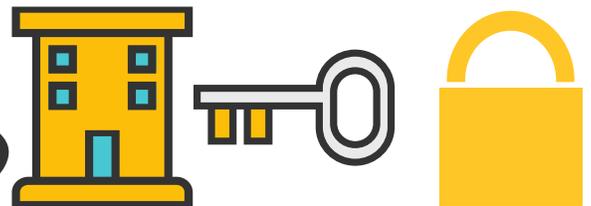
2. Public Health



Public Health Departments are situated within Local Authorities, and also contribute to JSNAs and JHWSs

Local Authorities also commission substance misuse services for those with drug and/or alcohol problems

3. NHS England



Are NOT responsible for commissioning healthcare for people on probation, but ARE responsible for commissioning healthcare for people in secure institutions such as prisons

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