

HMP/YOI Swinfen Hall - A Prisoner's Journey

Learning & Skills

Ensuring that education and training within establishments meets the identified learning and skills needs of individual prisoners

- Improve Physical fitness, address health and substance misuse needs and offer recreational support and vocational competence through physical education.
- Introducing a total learning environment
- Planning of education services and purposeful activity
- Improve basic education in numeracy and literacy
- Provide employable skills and industry recognised qualification
- Provide assistance in gaining work discipline, knowledge and skills that improve employability or potential for purposeful occupation on release
- Allocation of education, work and training based on aptitude and assessment of need

Resettlement

To assist and support the prisoner's integration into the establishment and begin an holistic assessment process that will enable the individual to make the best use of his time in custody and prepare for a law-abiding life after release

- Helping prisoners to participate effectively in society as law-abiding members of the community
- Strengthening family and community ties
- Provide employment, training and education opportunities on release
- Provide secure accommodation on release
- To work in partnership with local business, Probation service and other agencies as well as co-ordinating the voluntary and communities sector service provision
- Provide prisoners with mentors, support and advice on finding accommodation and entering employment, training or further education and remaining drug free on release
- Reducing institutionalisation and providing elements of personal responsibility and trust

Programmes & Prisoner Care

Provide assessments and treatment interventions to reduce the risk of prisoners re-offending on release, and to promote healthy living both in custody and on return to the community

- Identify prisoners whose offences are drug related and provide them with opportunity for treatment and support, in order to reduce the risk of further drug related offending on release
- Provide prisoners with access to the same range and quality of healthcare services as the general public receives from the NHS
- Provide accredited group work programmes that address substance misuse and a range of offending behaviours, including violent, sexual and drug related crimes
- Co-ordinate the specialist services needed to deliver and support prisoners undertaking group work programmes
- Provide individual risk assessment and intervention service for life sentence prisoners

Security

Prisoners are subject to appropriate levels of security that are necessary to keep them in custody and protect the public

- Protect the public by keeping prisoners in a secure and safe environment
- Detection of illegal substances and breaches of security
- Supervision of family and legal visits in a safe environment
- Risk assessment of prisoners through security intelligence
- Parents and partners may participate on FOCUS groups to discuss or develop visits facilities.

Residential

Provide safe and decent living conditions for all prisoners, treating all with dignity and respect

- Promote equality and diversity within the establishment by meeting the cultural and religious needs of all prisoners
- Support problematic or disruptive prisoners
- Provide care and support to prisoners at risk and reduce incidents of self harm
- Maintaining order, control, discipline and a safe environment
- Dealing with prisoner with respect, dignity and decency
- Challenge anti-social and unacceptable behaviour
- Provide a varied and healthy menu suitable for all young adults, that also meets the religious or culture needs of prisoners