



OIP Recommendations Action Plan

Proposed Recommendation from the Inspector of Prisons investigation report on
Death in Custody of prisoner Mr N in Cloverhill Prison on 06/05/2024

The Recommendations submitted by the OIP have been reviewed and considered. The table below is a summary of proposed actions based on the investigation of the OIP in respect of the Irish Prison Service. The table also suggest timelines and action owners for completing the necessary actions.

No.	Recommendation	IPS Response	Action Required	IPS Action Owner	Timeline
1	Nurse Officers should ensure, when completing Nursing Committal Forms, that all fields are completed and that any obvious physical abnormalities are noted on the Nursing Committal Form. Forms should be completed at the time of the Nursing Committal interview with retrospective entries made only when absolutely unavoidable.	Accepted - already in place	This is the requirement as per protocol standard practice. The requirement to adhere to protocol has been addressed as part of Continuing Professional Development (CPD) for Healthcare staff.	Care and Rehabilitation	Closed
2	In the event of a prisoner declining or refusing medical attention or a medical hospital referral, a declaration to that effect should be signed and dated by the prisoner, counter signed by the clinician, and the form retained with their medical records. A refusal to sign should be recorded by the prison doctor/nurse on PHMS.	Accepted - already in place	This is the requirement as per protocol standard practice. The requirement to adhere to protocol has been addressed as part of Continuing Professional Development (CPD) for Healthcare staff.	Care and Rehabilitation	Closed



3	<p>One officer should always be present in the rear of the cellular vehicle at all times while a prisoner(s) is being transported (as per the IPS Escort Policy). This will make it easier for continuous visual monitoring of a prisoner in transit.</p>	Accepted - already in place	<p>This is a requirement under the IPS Escort Policy. Prison management address non compliance with this policy under the Civil Service Disciplinary Code.</p>	Operations	Closed
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