

St Patrick's Institution Annual Report 2012

Introduction:

St Patrick's Institution is a closed medium security place of detention for males aged 17 to 21. Up to mid 2012 the Institution catered for offenders from the age of 16 to 21. In mid 2012 any remaining 16 year olds were removed from St Patrick's to Oberstown House and from mid 2014 it is hoped there will be no 17-year-old boys still there. The Institution accommodates both remand and sentenced prisoners.

The institution is populated by offenders from all parts of the country, which means the management has to accommodate its inmates in one confined building regardless of background or ethnic traditions. Logistically this is a challenge as there are inmates from different counties, different gangs, and different education experience.

In 2012 Judge Reilly the Inspector of Prisons published a Report, *Report on an Inspection of St. Patrick's Institution*, into the management of the prisoners at St Patrick's Institution. In that report attention was drawn to a number of issues and behaviors of some of the staff that were unacceptable. The management accepted the findings of the report and is in a process of change that will tackle the problems identified and ensures that the culture identified will develop to a regime that is acceptable to all.

Objectives for VC St. Patrick's Institution:

The Visiting Committee of St. Patrick's Institution is committed to ensure that the rights and welfare of the inmates are properly looked after during the course of their sentence or remand in the Institution. This will be achieved in cooperation with the management of the Institution who will be expected to treat all individuals with dignity and respect.

The Visiting Committee while overseeing these rights will take into account the challenges facing management at all times and will endeavor to be innovative in encouraging practices that will promote rehabilitation and reduce recidivism.

The Visiting Committee will make regular unannounced visits to the Institution, will meet and speak with inmates and respond to any issues that are discussed at such meetings. The Visiting Committee will hold monthly meetings within the Institution and will be available to meet with any inmate who wishes to speak with the committee.

The Visitor Centre facilities used by those who visit the inmates needs constant monitoring due to the inadequacy of the infrastructures servicing the area. The Visiting Committee will examine these facilities on a regular basis to ensure appropriate standards are maintained.

St Patrick's has an open door policy in relation to concerned groups from outside the prison and welcome visits from such parties provided proper protocol is followed in arranging such visits. These arrangements should be made through the Governors office

Catering:

Catering in St Patrick's is carried out in a centralised kitchen area. This is staffed by 2 to 3 employees and up to 6 inmates. On average there are 180 persons for meals each day. A 28-Day menu is used giving a variety of meals over the period. The type of food served is aimed, as far as possible, to the taste of the age group in St Patrick's.

Food is prepared here and brought to the individual landings where the inmates take it back to their cells on trays.

Breakfast consists of cereal, Cornflakes, Rice Crispi's and Weetabix. Tea is also served. Each cell is also supplied with butter, tea bags and milk for use during the day.

Lunch is usually meat or fish with vegetables and potatoes or chips. Yoghurt or fresh fruit is then served as dessert.

The evening meal can be burgers, sausages, cold meat etc. and later a snack is served, usually bread with cold meat or cheese, which the inmates make up in their cells.

The facility is regularly inspected by the Health Authorities with no difficulties. It has also received the Q Mark and inmates who work there can achieve accreditation from the FSAI.

Accommodation:

St Patrick's Institution has an operational capacity of 217 inmates. It is divided into 3 Divisions each with its own distinctive purpose. Because of this separation it often seems that there is spare capacity in the Prison, but since different types of inmates cannot be allowed together it is not so.

B Division is reserved for 17-year-old inmates. During 2012 all 16 year olds were transferred to Oberstown Detention Centre. It is the intention of the Irish Prison Service that all remaining 17 year olds would be transferred there as soon as facilities would be available. It now houses approx. 27 inmates.

C Division is primarily for Dublin based inmates but C3 is for inmates who require protection. Many inmates in St Patrick's are under threat from other inmates, either for incidents outside the prison or from incidents, which happened within. Inmates on Protection are generally locked up for 23 hours per day, with the exception of time in classrooms. It is very regrettable that often the victims are the ones to suffer this penalty.

One floor of D Division is a drug-free zone. Remand inmates are also held in D division.

The Unit is a semi-basement area comprising 14 cells along with 2 Special Observation Cells. The Unit houses inmates who for various reasons cannot be allowed to mix with other inmates. It is an oppressive place with little daylight. The Special Observation Cells are used for “at risk” inmates or for disruptive ones. Special Rules apply to inmates housed in these cells.

All cells in the prison are old-fashioned. An attempt has been made this year to paint all the cells and the surrounding landings, using prisoners from the Training Unit in Mountjoy. Also posters have been removed from the walls and new standard notice type boards supplied for photographs, drawings etc. All cells have in-cell sanitation.

A regular problem occurs when an inmate, through frustration or other factors, decides to damage their cell. The most common ways appear to be flooding, setting fire to the contents or generally wrecking the fixtures. At any time there are cells out of commission due to this and while there would appear to be spare capacity in the prison on occasions it is necessary to double up the use of some cells.

During the year some improvements have been made. Complaints regarding damaged lino and broken windows have been dealt with and enhanced cleaning of all area introduced. New fire prevention systems are also being installed on a phased basis.

Overall, given the age of the prison and that it's future is not yet decided, work is constantly ongoing to improve facilities for the inmates.

Staffing:

The committee have a major concern about the level of staffing particularly in the Workshops and Gyms. We are aware that the transformation programme is currently recruiting staff to supervise workshops and other functions, but have concerns about the pace at which this is happening.

Frequently on unannounced visits we have noted that Workshops, Gyms, and Exercise Yards are closed because of staff shortage. These shortages can be caused by Staff No Shows, Court Escort Duties and various other reasons. We believe it is very difficult for management within the Institution to provide the necessary facilities to satisfy the needs of the inmates in such circumstances. Because of the age profile of the inmates any lack of planned activity and exercise can lead to frustration, tension, and sometimes violence. This situation is unacceptable to the Committee and needs to be rectified as soon as possible.

Library:

The prison library is a spacious open plan area containing a large stock of books, computer games, newspapers, phone service and various table games. Unavailable books can also be made available on request. When in use the library is staffed by two prison officers, one of whom is a trained librarian.

The library is used on a daily basis during the morning, afternoon and inmates on protection can have access during evening time. The average number attending on a daily basis is ten-fifteen inmates.

Throughout the year numerous presentations have taken place in the library area on various subjects such as drug awareness, dog handling, exotic animals and fire safety. The library service provides social, recreational and learning opportunities for inmates who avail of the service which in turn may improve their confidence, self esteem and social integration prospects upon release.

Gymnasiums:

There are four gymnasiums currently in use in St Patrick's Institution on B wing, C wing, D wing and the Unit. These gyms are furnished with modern cardiovascular and weight training equipment suitable for the needs of inmates. Each gym is supervised by a qualified instructor, unfortunately since July/August the Unit gym has operated without a qualified instructor.

The B gym and Unit gym also contain table tennis and pool tables for recreational sports use. Some inmates expressed the view that a boxing ring and relevant training equipment would be welcomed and could contribute to less confrontations amongst the inmates.

The above facilities are available on a daily basis at 10am-12pm, 2pm-4pm and 5.30-7pm. Inmates on protection can also avail of gym facilities at pre arranged times. Occasionally due to staff shortages inmates in the Unit may have to choose between the gym or exercise yard as both cannot be supervised simultaneously.

Exercise yards:

There are four reasonably sized outdoor exercise yards within the confines of St Patrick's institution. These exercise yards are a basic tarmac surface with the overhead area covered by mesh netting to prevent passing of contraband from outside the perimeter wall. There are also some very basic exercise machines situated in these yards.

The exercise yards are available to inmates from 10.30am-12pm and 2pm-4pm. Inmates on protection can to a lesser degree avail of the yards at pre arranged times. When weather permits inmates use the exercise yards to play football, strolling or jogging, they can also avail of the above mentioned exercise equipment. Inmates enjoy the opportunity to "get some fresh air" and to sit around chatting to other inmates, they also expressed the view that basketball hoops would be appreciated and would add some variety to the choice of activities.

Education:

14 inmates sat the Junior Certificate Examinations in June 2012 while 1 student was entered for English and Maths at Leaving Certificate. 18 candidates were assessed for FETAC Accreditation at Levels 3 and 4.

At all FETAC levels, every component specification successfully completed provides credit towards a full General Learning Certificate Award. The majority of inmates

attending Education in St. Patrick's Institution achieve Level 2 components which provide opportunities for them to gain a formally recognised accreditation.

Classes offered to inmates on protection include English, Crafts, Art, Computer Skills, Music – Guitar, History, Maths and Literacy. Most of the aforementioned courses are offered at FETAC Level 2. Classes offered to inmates in the Base Unit include Literacy and Numeracy, FETAC Communications, FETAC Maths and FETAC Art. It is worth noting that the numbers attending education on protection and in the base unit have increased throughout 2012 and beyond.

Various strategies are implemented to motivate the young people in St. Patrick's Institution including:

- Displaying students work throughout the prison and in the community.
- Working with Prison Staff to acknowledge and reward students' achievements e.g. Gaisce -The President's Award, Red Cross Projects etc.
- Supporting the Prison Incentivised Scheme.

Summer programme included Artist in Prison Scheme (Arts Council), Writers in Prison Scheme, visitors from external agencies, Irish Wheelchair Association, Dublin Fire Brigade, Our Lady's Hospital for Sick Children Crumlin and Dublin Zoo.

The Head Teacher, Guidance Counsellor and Teaching Staff organise Pre and Post Release Programmes. The Guidance Counsellor offers group and one-to-one educational guidance, personal development strategies etc. On committal, each inmate is interviewed and afforded an opportunity to select subject areas of interest to them. Improving literacy levels is one of the school's priorities and is integrated into every area of the curriculum.

School personnel participate and attend multi-disciplinary team meetings to compile learner outcomes and targets in Education for the inmates ensuring a continuum of education. Contact is made with outside schools, informal education centres, prison linkage groups, probation services, social welfare services and Pathways in compiling Post Release Programmes for inmates.

Continuous Professional Development offered to staff during 2012 included 'Integrating Literacy across the Curriculum', FETAC Level 2 Component Specification Development, FETAC Level 4 changeover to new component specifications and writing FETAC Assessment briefs.

Workshops:

- Computers: Equal skills, Pre-ECDL modules, City and Guilds Level 1 are offered in the Computer Workshop. This workshop produces a considerable amount of work e.g. printing etc. and is in demand.
- Industrial Skills: No certification at present but working on City and Guilds Certification for 2013.
- Carpentry / Woodwork: No certification at present but seeking sanctioning for Level 1 City and Guilds Carpentry for 2013.

- Basic Food Course: This workshop is conducted in the new school. Cooking skills, hygiene, nutritional value of food, waiting tables are among skills taught.
- Industrial Cleaning: City & Guilds Certification awarded.
- Kitchen: Basic Food Hygiene Certificate Awarded by FSAI. The kitchen enjoyed many such awards.
- Laundry Skills: No certification at present but seeking Guild of Launderers to commence in March 2013.
- Painting Workshop: Painting workshop ceased end of 2012.
- Metalwork Workshop: This is not functioning at the moment due to staff shortages.

On occasions workshops were not in operation due to lack of human resources available arising from retirements, transfers etc. Going forward, the Transformation Agreement for the Mountjoy Campus will endeavour to fill any / all of the vacancies in the Work and Training Workshops.

Some prisoners from the Training Unit in Mountjoy are acting in a mentor capacity particularly in the kitchen, in the staff canteen and assisting with the grounds work. This scheme is working well at present.

Inmates from the D Division commenced the Irish Red Cross Volunteer Scheme in December 2012. The main aim of the scheme is that the inmates will become more hygiene and health conscious and develop roles as a 'listener' for inmates to mediate between staff and themselves over any concerns / issues they may have. An improvement was noted in the numbers of C3 Protection inmates attending workshops and the inmates in the D and C wings mixing in the workshops.

Solas Project Prison and Probation Programme:

The programme focuses on building trust with the young offender through developing emotional support and practical assistance, with pre and post release support services. The programme has taken off during 2012 with strong participation of the young offenders in Tag Rugby, Music Production and Aquaphonics.

This programme alongside many other initiatives ongoing in the Institution is a welcome recognition of the special needs and nurturing requirements of mostly vulnerable and disadvantaged young men imprisoned in the Institution

The Visiting Committee recommend in the strongest manner continued support and funding of the programme. It is recommended that interested parties examine the project in more detail on the web site www.solasproject.ie

The Bohemian Football Club runs 'football coaching' for the juveniles on a bi-monthly basis. Inmates enjoy engaging with 'Bohs' and with Irish International Player/TV Commentator Richard Sadlier.

Visitors Centre:

The visitor's center operates as reception/waiting area outside the prison for those attending a visit. On a few occasions it had been noted that this area was untidy. An

issue had also arisen with the workings of one of the female toilets. This has been remedied.

The Visiting Committee and those attending visits were disappointed with the removal of the services of St Vincent De Paul from this area. They had offered those attending visits a beverage and were always available to talk.

The Visiting Committee would like to see a display cabinet, exhibiting the works of inmates in this area. It is hoped that some of the soft toys produced in the workshops will also be made available in the children's play area.

Security:

The security area continues to be run in a proficient and friendly manner. A sniffer/drugs dog is present for open family visits. This operates as an additional contraband deterrent.

While there has been a marked increase in the patrol of An Garda Siochána outside the complex walls, there still remains a problem with contraband being thrown into the netted exercise yards. This is particularly problematic when An Garda Siochána are deployed elsewhere. If any contraband does enter the netted area the yards are cleared and swept. The contraband is then retained and passed on to the Gardai.

Prisoner Welfare:

Sunday Visits:

Visits are now available on Sundays. This is of particular benefit to those who work mid-week or have to travel to visit an inmate.

Incident Register:

The Incident Register exhibits all accidents/incidents/removals or relocations within the prison. It further demonstrates whether CCTV is available, whether the inmate had to see the medic, whether 'hands on' was required and whether or not a P19 issued. If the inmate was removed or relocated there is also a note showing where the incident occurred and where they were removed/relocated.

The majority of incidents relate to inter prisoner violence. This aspect of prison life continues to be problematic.

Since the publication of the Inspector's Report there has been a marked decrease in the number of P19's issued.

Prisoner Complaints:

A new complaints model is being introduced on a phased basis. The model contains four separate categories of complaints:

Category A Complaints are the most serious level of complaint involving allegations of assault and intimidation. An external investigator carries out the initial investigation. There is then a right of appeal to the Inspector of Prisons.

The Category A Complaints procedure was introduced on 1st November 2012. Since its introduction there has been four complaints. Two allegations were not upheld, the other two remain under investigation.

The remaining categories of Complaint have yet to be introduced.

Incentivised Regime:

The incentivised regime programme operates on three levels; basic, standard and enhanced. Those entering the Institution begin on standard level. An inmate's behaviour will cause him to move up to enhanced or down to basic level. The incentive for inmates is that the higher the level they achieve, the more privileges they receive i.e. extra phone calls, extra visits, increased access to the tuck-shop and a higher gratuity. Current gratuity levels are: basic €0.95, standard €1.70 and enhanced €2.20.

Integrated Sentence Management:

Integrated Sentence Management (ISM) as such does not fit easily into the structure of St Patrick's for a number of reasons. Very many of the inmates are serving sentences of less than one year while others, with longer sentences, will move to other institutions at the age of 21 to complete their sentences. In addition there is no ISM coordinator in St. Patrick's.

Notwithstanding the above there is a programme involving Probation Service and other outside bodies that come together to manage, where possible, the needs of St. Patrick's inmates prior to their release.

Medical:

Committals:

Upon entering the Institution all inmates are seen by a nurse or medic. They are also seen by a GP within 24 hours. Inmates are screened for mental health symptoms and are referred accordingly.

Surgery:

The surgery provides a 24 hours service. 3 staff (medic/nurses) are available during the day with 1 staff on night duty. At the weekend there is a locum service with a GP on call. There is a Chief Nurse Officer, 6 nurses and 2 medical orderlies. All healthcare staff partake continuous professional development (CPD).

Addiction and Mental Health:

The HSE Addiction Psychiatrist held a total of 65 consultations throughout the year. There are also two addiction counselors. Urinalysis is held twice a week and randomly where required.

There is an in-reach psychiatric service from the Central Mental Hospital offering 3 sessions per week. A rotating Senior Registrar and Community Psychiatric Nurse assist in providing this service.

Inmates can also avail of the services of a psychologist.

Other facilities:

Inmates can be screened and vaccinated for TB.

Inmates can also avail of the services of a dentist, optician and chiropodist.

Aftercare:

All medical notes are recorded on the Prison Health Management System (PHMS). This system operates throughout all prisons and provides continuity of care for those transferring to other prisons.

Prior to release all inmates suffering with medical or mental illness or addiction are linked with community services.

Statistics:

Committal interviews recorded = 1024

Happily there were no deaths in custody. There was a total of 253 incidents or injuries. 112 of these relate to slips, trips or falls. 73 were as a result of a fracas or fight. 72 were assaults from other inmates. There were 45 incidents of deliberate self-harm; this figure has risen by 24 from 2011.

From 1st July, 2012 1 inmate was admitted to the Central Mental Hospital, 70 inmates were referred to A&E. 175 inmates attended hospital for outpatient appointments.

The decision to relocate an inmate to a Safety Observation Cell is made by a doctor or where unavailable a nurse. The entire process is well recorded and documented.

Initiatives:

It is hoped that in 2013 through the Red Cross Initiative there will be an increase in vaccinations and sexual health awareness, to include STI screening and a 'wellman clinic'. There is great enthusiasm from the medical staff in promoting men's health awareness. Inmates have also shown great interest in this initiative.

Inmates meeting with the Committee:

The number of prisoners who came to see the Committee this year was 7. At all times the Committee try to make the visitor welcome and at ease. All discussions during these visits are absolutely confidential and where possible feed back is given to the individual through a Governor as soon as possible certainly within 24 hours.

Meetings of Chairpersons of Prison Visiting Committees:

On behalf of the Visiting Committee of St Patrick's, the Chairperson attended a number of meetings of Chairpersons of all the prisons. These meetings are useful as they offer the opportunity to the Chairpersons to compare notes on the activities of the committees as well as discuss policy and responsibilities of committees.

Aspirations:

Increase the use of the Video link to the courts.

Continue to encourage alternatives to routine sentencing.

Liaise with all interested agencies to manage the detention of 17 year olds.

Develop incentive strategies that encourage inmates to make full use of the School and Workshops.

Encourage more activities which promote inter prisoner involvement.

Encourage potential employers to visit interested groups and discuss employment opportunities.

Develop more interaction through sport et al with other educational units.

Conclusion:

We are pleased to submit this report and we are confident that St Patrick's continues to be well managed by a Professional Governor and staff. The challenge of culture change identified as a priority after the report of Judge Reilly will take time, progress is being made, and will be carefully monitored to ensure compliance with the recommendations and aspirations of that report, tthis is the single most urgent objective of 2013.

We wish to express our thanks for their co-operation to Governor Robins, Assistant Governor Connolly and Deputy Governor Hughes, Deputy Governor Woods and Assistant Governor Walsh.

We give very special thank you to Simon Walsh our Clerk to the Visiting Committee. His excellent support of the Committee during the year is much appreciated.

The Visiting Committee members are committed to fulfilling our function in full, and supporting all the efforts to change the culture of the institution. We believe there is always room for improvement. We are looking forward in the future to working in close co-operation with the Prison Staff, the Inmates, the Irish Prison Service and the Minister for Justice and Equality.

Denis Murphy Chairperson 2012

Tuarascáil Bhliantúil Fhoras Naomh Pádraig 2012

Intreoir:

Ionad Coinneála meánslándála dúnta d'fhir atá idir 17 mbliana d'aois agus 21 bliain d'aois is ea Foras Naomh Pádraig. Go dtí lár na bliana 2012, rinne an Foras cóiríocht do chiontóirí idir 16 agus 21 bliain d'aois. I lár na bliana 2012, cuireadh aon duine fágtha a bhí 16 bliana d'aois ó Fhoras Naomh Pádraig chuig Teach Bhaile an Oibricigh agus táthar ag súil nach mbeidh aon bhuachaillí a bheidh 17 mbliana d'aois ann go fóill ó lár na bliana 2014 ar aghaidh. Tugann an Foras cóiríocht do phríosúnaigh ar athchur agus faoi phianbhreith araon.

Tá ciontóirí ó gach cearn den tír san fhoras, rud a chiallaíonn nach mór don lucht bainistíochta cóiríocht a chur ar fáil dá phríosúnaigh i bhfoirgneamh cúng beag beann ar chúlra agus ar thraidisiúin eitneacha. Is dúshlán é seo ó thaobh lóistíochta de toisc go bhfuil príosúnaigh ann ó thíortha éagsúla, ó dhronganna éagsúla agus ó thaithí éagsúil oideachais.

I 2012, d'fhoilsigh an Breitheamh Reilly, an Cigire Príosún, tuarascáil, *Report on an Inspection of St. Patrick's Institution*, faoi bhainistiú na bpríosúnach i bhForas Naomh Pádraig. Tarraingíodh aird sa tuarascáil sin ar roinnt saincheistean agus iompar roinnt de na baill foirne nach raibh inghlactha. Ghlac an lucht bainistíochta le torthaí na tuarascála agus tá sé i bpróiseas athraithe a rachaidh i ngleic leis na fadhbanna arna sainaitheint agus cinntíonn sé go bhforbróidh an cultúr arna shainaitheint go córas atá inghlactha do chách.

Cuspóirí do Choiste Cuairte Fhoras Naomh Pádraig:

Tá Coiste Cuairte Fhoras Naomh Pádraig tiomanta do chinntiú go dtugtar aird chuí ar chearta agus leas na bpríosúnach i rith a bpianbhreithe nó a n-athchuir san Fhoras. Bainfear é seo amach i gcomhar le lucht bainistíochta an Fhorais a n-iarrfar air caitheamh le gach duine aonair le dínit agus le meas.

Agus maoirseacht á déanamh ag an gCoiste Cuairte ar na cearta seo, cuirfidh sé na dúshláin os comhair an lucht bainistíochta san áireamh i gcónaí agus déanfaidh sé a dhícheall le bheith nuálach agus le cleachtais a dhéanfaidh athshlánú a chur chun cinn agus a laghdóidh atitimeachas a spreagadh.

Déanfaidh an Coiste Cuairte cuairteanna gan choinne a thabhairt ar an bhForas, buailfidh sé le príosúnaigh agus labhróidh sé leo agus freagróidh sé d'aon saincheistean a phléitear ag na cruinnithe sin. Tionólfaidh an Coiste Cuairte cruinnithe míosúla laistigh den Fhoras agus beidh sé ar fáil chun bualadh le príosúnach ar bith a bhfuil fonn air labhairt leis an gCoiste.

Ní mór monatóireacht sheasmhach a dhéanamh ar áiseanna an Ionaid Chuairteoirí a mbaineann iad siúd a thugann cuairt ar na príosúnaigh úsáid astu mar gheall ar neamhleorgacht na mbonneagar a fhreastalaíonn ar an limistéar. Scrúdóidh an Coiste

Cuairte na háiseanna seo ar bhonn rialta chun a chinntiú go gcoinnítear caighdeáin iomchuí.

Tá iontráil oscailte ag Foras Naomh Pádraig i ndáil le grúpaí lena mbaineann ó lasmuigh den phríosún agus fáiltíonn sé roimh chuairteanna ó na páirtithe sin ar choinníoll go gcloítear le prótacal iomchuí agus na cuairteanna sin á socrú. Ba cheart na socrúcháin seo a dhéanamh trí oifig an Ghobharnóra.

Lónadóireacht:

I bhForas Naomh Pádraig, déantar lónadóireacht i limistéar cistine láraithe. Tá 2 nó 3 fostaithe agus suas go dtí 6 príosúnach mar bhaill foirne. Ar an meán, faigheann 180 duine béilí gach lá. Úsáidtear biachlár 28 Lá a thugann béilí éagsúla ar fud na tréimhse. Tá an cineál bia a dháiltear dírithe, a oiread is féidir, ar bhlas an aoisghrúpa i bhForas Naomh Pádraig.

Déantar bia a ullmhú anseo agus a thabhairt chuig na cinn staighre aonair mar a dtugann na príosúnaigh ar ais chuig a gcillín ar thráidirí é.

Tá gránach, Cornflakes, Rice Krispies agus Weetabix ar fáil don bhricfeasta. Soláthraítear im, málaí tae agus bainne do gach cillín le haghaidh úsáid i rith an lae.

De ghnáth, bíonn feoil nó iasc i dteannta glasraí agus prátaí nó sceallóga ar fáil don lón. Dáiltear iógart nó torthaí úra mar mhilseog ina dhiaidh sin.

Féadann burgair, ispíní, feoil fhuar etc. a bheith ar fáil do bhéile an tráthnóna agus dáiltear sneaic ina dhiaidh sin, a bhíonn mar arán le feoil fhuar nó cáis de ghnáth, a fhéadann na príosúnaigh a thabhairt ar ais chuig a gcillíní.

Déanann na hÚdaráis Sláinte cigireacht rialta ar an áis agus ní aimsítear aon deacrachtaí. Ina theannta sin, fuair sí an Comhartha Q agus is féidir le príosúnaigh a oibríonn inti creidiúnú ó Údarás Sábháilteachta Bia na hÉireann a ghnóthú.

Cóiríocht:

Tá toilleadh oibríochtúil 217 príosúnach ag Foras Naomh Pádraig. Tá sé roinnte ina 3 Rannóg agus tá a cuspóir ar leith féin ag gach ceann acu. Mar gheall ar an deighilt seo, is cosúil go minic go bhfuil toilleadh spártha sa Phríosún ach, ós rud é nach bhfuil sé ceadaithe cineálacha éagsúla príosúnach a chur le chéile, ní hamhlaidh atá.

Tá Rannóg B curtha in áirithe do phríosúnaigh atá 17 mbliana d'aois. I rith 2012, aistríodh gach duine a bhí 16 bliana d'aois chuig Ionad Coinneála Bhaile an Oibricigh. Is é rún Sheirbhís Phríosúin na hÉireann go n-aistreofaí gach duine atá 17 mbliana d'aois chuige a luaithe is a bheadh áiseanna ar fáil. Tá cóiríocht ar fáil do thuairim is 27 príosúnach inti faoi láthair.

Is do phríosúnaigh lonnaithe i mBaile Átha Cliath go príomha atá Rannóg C ach is do phríosúnaigh a dteastaíonn cosaint uathu atá C3. Tá cuid mhór príosúnach i bhForas Naomh Pádraig á mbagairt ag príosúnaigh eile, mar gheall ar theagmhais lasmuigh den phríosún nó mar gheall ar theagmhais a tharla laistigh de. De ghnáth, bíonn

Príosúnaigh faoi Chosaint faoi ghlas 23 uair sa lá, cé is moite d’am a chaitear i seomraí ranga. Is cúis aiféala é gurb iad na híospartaigh na daoine a fhulaingíonn an pionós seo go minic.

Is crios saor ó dhrugaí é urlár amháin de Rannóg D. Coimeádtar príosúnaigh ar athchur i Rannóg D freisin.

Is limistéar leathbhonnlaigh é an tAonad seo ina bhfuil 14 chillín i dteannta 2 Chillín Breathnaithe Speisialta. Tugann an tAonad cóiríocht do phríosúnaigh nach féidir cead a thabhairt dóibh a bheith le príosúnaigh eile ar chúiseanna éagsúla. Is áit leatromach é ina bhfuil beagáinín solais. Úsáidtear Cillíní Breathnaithe Speisialta do phríosúnaigh “i mbaol” nó do phríosúnaigh shuaiteacha. Bíonn feidhm ag Rialacha Speisialta maidir le príosúnaigh a dtugtar cóiríocht dóibh sna cillíní seo.

Is seanfhaiseanta atá gach cillín sa phríosún. Rinneadh iarracht i mbliana ar gach ceann de na cillíní agus na cinn staighre mórtimpeall a phéinteáil, trí úsáid a bhaint as príosúnaigh ón Aonad Oiliúna i bPríosún Mhuinseo. Ina theannta sin, baineadh póstaer as na ballaí agus soláthraíodh boird chaighdeánacha nua fógraí le haghaidh grianghraf, líníochtaí etc. Tá sláintíocht laistigh den chillín ag gach cillín.

Tarlaíonn fadhb rialta nuair a chinneann príosúnach damáiste a dhéanamh dá chillín, de dheasca frustrachais nó toisca eile. Is cosúil gurb iad tuiliú, na hábhair a chur faoi thine nó na feistis a scriosadh go ginearálta iad na bealaí is coitianta. Bíonn cillíní i gcónaí as feidhm mar gheall air sin agus, cé gur chosúil go bhfuil toilleadh spártha sa phríosún, tá sé riachtanach ó am go chéile an úsáid roinnt cillíní a dhúbailt.

Rinneadh roinnt feabhsúchán i rith na bliana. Déileáladh le gearáin faoi líonóil dhamáistithe agus faoi fhuinneoga briste agus tugadh glantachán feabhsaithe na limistéar go léir isteach. Tá córais nua um chosc dóiteáin á suiteáil ar bhonn céimnithe.

Ar an iomlán, ag féachaint d’aois an phríosúin agus ós rud é nach ndearnadh cinneadh ar a thodhchaí go fóill, bíonn obair á déanamh i gcónaí chun áiseanna a fheabhsú do na príosúnaigh.

Soláthar foirne:

Is mórchúis inní don choiste é leibhéal an tsoláthair foirne, go háirithe sa Cheardlann agus sna Spórtlanna. Táimid eolach go bhfuil an clár claochlaithe ag earcú foirne faoi láthair chun maoirseacht a dhéanamh ar cheardlanna agus ar fheidhmeanna eile, ach tá an luas ar a bhfuil sé ag tarlú ina chúis inní.

Thugamar faoi deara go minic ar ár gcuariteanna gan choinne go bhfuil na Ceardlanna, Spórtlanna agus Clóis Aclaíochta dúnta de dheasca easpa foirne. Is féidir le Neamhláithreachtaí Foirne, Dualgais Choimhdeachta Cúirte agus fáthanna éagsúla eile a bheith ina gcúis leis na heaspaí seo. Creidimid go bhfuil sé an-doiligh don lucht bainistíochta laistigh den phríosún na háiseanna riachtanacha a chur ar fáil d’fhonn riachtanais na bpríosúnach a shásamh sna cásanna sin. Mar thoradh ar phróifíl aoise

na bpríosúnach, is féidir le heaspa gníomhaíochtaí pleanáilte agus aclaíochta a bheith ina cúis le frustrachas, le teannas agus, corruair, le foréigean. Is cás doghlactha é seo don Choiste agus ní mór é a réiteach a luaite is féidir.

An Leabharlann:

Is limistéar plean oscailte fairsing í leabharlann an phríosúin ina bhfuil stoc mór leabhar, cluichí ríomhaireachta, nuachtáin, seirbhís fóin agus cluichí éagsúla tábla. Is féidir leabhair dhofhaighte a chur ar fáil ach iad a iarraidh. Agus í in úsáid, tá beirt oifigeach príosúin mar fhoireann na leabharlainne, ar leabharlannaí oilte é duine amháin acu.

Úsáidtear an leabharlann ar bhonn laethúil maidin agus tráthnóna agus is féidir le príosúnaigh faoi chosaint rochtain uirthi san oíche freisin. Freastalaíonn idir deichniúr agus cúig phríosúnach déag uirthi sa lá ar an meán.

Bhí roinnt mhaith láithreoirachtaí ar siúl i limistéar na leabharlainne ar fud na bliana faoi ábhair éagsúla amhail feasacht ar dhrugaí, láimhseáil madraí, ainmhithe andúchasacha agus sábháilteacht dóiteáin. Cuireann an tseirbhís leabharlainne deiseanna sóisialta, caitheamh aimsire agus foghlama do phríosúnaigh a bhaineann leas as an tseirbhís agus d'fhéadfadh sé sin faoi seach feabhas a chur ar a muinín, ar a bhféinmheas agus ar a n-ionchais chomhtháthaithe shóisialta tar éis a scaoilte.

Spórtlanna:

Tá ceithre spórtlann in úsáid faoi láthair i bhForas Naomh Pádraig; i sciathán B, i sciathán C, i sciathán D agus san Aonad. Tá na spórtlanna seo feistithe le trealamh nua-aimseartha cardashoithíoch agus traenála meáchan atá oiriúnach do riachtanais na bpríosúnach. Déanann teagascóir cáilithe maoirseacht ar gach spórtlann. Ar an drochuair, tá spórtlann an Aonaid ag feidhmiú gan teagascóir cáilithe ó mhí Iúil/mhí Lúnasa i leith.

Tá táblaí leadóg thábla agus púil sna spórtlanna i sciathán B agus san Aonad le haghaidh úsáid spóirt chaitheamh aimsire. Chuir roinnt príosúnach an tuairim in iúl go bhféilteofaí roimh fháinne dornálaíochta agus trealamh traenála lena mbaineann agus go gcuirfeadh siad le laghdú ar achrainn i measc na bpríosúnach.

Tá na háiseanna thuas ar fáil ar bhonn laethúil ó 10am-12pm, 2pm-4pm agus 5.30pm-7pm. Is féidir le príosúnaigh faoi chosaint úsáid a bhaint as áiseanna spórtlainne ag amanna réamhshocráithe freisin. Mar gheall ar easnaimh foirne, d'fhéadfaí go mbíonn ar phríosúnaigh san Aonad roghnú a dhéanamh ó am go chéile idir an spórtlann agus an clós aclaíochta toisc nach féidir maoirseacht a dhéanamh ar an dá cheann acu ag an am céanna.

Clóis aclaíochta:

Tá ceithre chlós aclaíochta réasúnta mór laistigh de chríocha Fhoras Naomh Pádraig. Is éard atá sna clóis aclaíochta seo ná dromchla bunúsach tarmac agus clúdaítear an limistéar lasnairde le líontán mogaill chun cosc a chur ar an tabhairt contrabhanna ó lasmuigh den bhalla imlíne. Tá roinnt meaisíní aclaíochta an-bhunúsach suite sna clóis seo.

Tá na clóis aclaíochta ar fáil do phríosúnaigh ó 10.30am-12pm agus 2pm-4pm. Is féidir le príosúnaigh faoi chosaint úsáid a bhaint as na clóis seo go pointe níos lú ag

amanna réamhshocraithe. Nuair a cheadaíonn an aimsir, baineann príosúnaigh úsáid as na clóis aclaíochta chun peil a imirt, dul ag spaisteoireacht nó dul ar bhogshodar. Is féidir leo úsáid a bhaint as an trealamh aclaíochta thuasluaite freisin. Baineann príosúnaigh taitneamh as an deis chun “roinnt aer úr a fháil” agus chun suí thart ag déanamh comhrá leis na príosúnaigh eile. Chuireadar an tuairim in iúl freisin gur mhaith leo fonsaí cispheile a bheith ann agus go gcuirfeadh siad éagsúlacht áirithe leis an rogha gníomhaíochtaí.

Oideachas:

Thug 14 phríosúnach faoi Scrúduithe an Teastais Shóisearaigh i mí an Mheithimh 2012 agus iontráladh dalta amháin ar Bhéarla agus ar Mhatamaitic don Ardteistiméireacht. Measúnaíodh 18 iarrthóirí le haghaidh Chreidiúnú FETAC ag Leibhéal 3 agus Leibhéal 4.

Ag gach leibhéal FETAC, soláthraíonn gach sonraíocht comhpháirte a chuirtear i gcrích go rathúil creidiúint ar mhaithe le Dámhachtain Teastais Foghlama Ginearálta. Gnóthaíonn formhór na bpríosúnach a fhreastalaíonn ar oideachas i bhForas Naomh Pádraig comhpháirteanna Leibhéal 2 a sholáthraíonn deiseanna dóibh creidiúnú atá aitheanta níos foirmiúla a ghnóthú.

Ar na ranganna a chuirtear ar fáil do phríosúnaigh faoi chosaint tá Béarla, Ceardaíocht, Scileanna Ríomhaireachta, Ceol – Giotár, Stair, Matamaitic agus Litearthacht. Cuirtear an chuid is mó de na cúrsaí luaite ar fáil ag Leibhéal 2 FETAC. Ar na ranganna a chuirtear ar fáil do phríosúnaigh sa Bhonnaonad tá Litearthacht agus Uimhearthacht, Cumarsáid FETAC, Matamaitic FETAC agus Ealaín FETAC. Is fiú a thabhairt faoi deara gur mhéadaigh líon na bpríosúnach ag freastal ar oideachas faoi chosaint sa bhonnaonad ar fud 2012 agus ina dhiaidh sin.

Cuirtear straitéisí éagsúla chun feidhme le spreagadh a thabhairt do na daoine óga i bhForas Naomh Pádraig, lena n-áirítear:

- Obair na ndaltaí a thaispeáint ar fud an phríosúin agus sa phobal.
- Oibriú le Foireann an Phríosúin chun aitheantas agus duais a thabhairt d'éachtaí na ndaltaí e.g. Gaisce – Dámhachtain an Uachtaráin, Tionscadail na Croise Deirge etc.
- Tacú leis an Scéim Dreasaithe Príosúin.

Áiríodh leis an gclár samhraidh Scéim na nEalaíontóirí sna Príosúin (an Chomhairle Ealaíon), Scéim na Scríbhneoirí sna Príosúin, cuairteoirí ó ghníomhaireachtaí seachtracha, Cumann Cathaoireacha Rothaí na hÉireann, Briogáid Dóiteáin Bhaile Átha Cliath, Ospidéal Mhuire na Leanaí, Cromghlinn, agus Zú Bhaile Átha Cliath.

Reáchtálann an Príomhoide, an Treoirchomhairleoir agus an Fhoireann Teagaisc Cláir Réamhscaoilte agus Iarscaoilte. Tugann an Treoirchomhairleoir treoir oideachais ghrúpa agus duine le duine, straitéisí forbartha pearsanta etc. Ar chimiú, cuirtear gach príosúnach faoi agallamh agus tugtar an deis dóibh réimsí ábhair a bhfuil spéis acu iontu a roghnú. Tá feabhsú na leibhéal litearthachta ar cheann de thosaíochtaí na scoile agus tá sé comhtháthaithe i ngach réimse den churaclam.

Freastalaíonn pearsanra na scoile ar chruinnithe foirne ildisciplíneacha agus glacann sé páirt iontu chun torthaí agus spriocanna foghlaimeora in oideachas do na príosúnaigh a chur le chéile, rud a chinntíonn contanam oideachais. Déantar teagmháil le scoileanna lasmuigh den phríosún, le hionaid oideachais neamhfhoirmiúil, le grúpaí nascachta príosúin, le seirbhísí promhaidh, le seirbhísí leasa shóisialaigh agus le Cosáin chun Cláir Iarscaoilte a chur le chéile do phríosúnaigh.

Áiríodh le Forbairt Ghairmiúil Leanúnach a tairgeadh do bhaill foirne le linn 2012 ‘Litearthacht a Chomhtháthú ar fud an Churaclaim’, Forbairt Sonraíochta Comhpháirte Leibhéal 2 FETAC, aistriú Leibhéal 4 FETAC chuig sonraíochtaí nua comhpháirte agus coimrí scríbhneoireachta measúnaithe FETAC.

Ceardlanna:

- **Ríomhairí:** Tairgtear Comhscileanna, modúil réamhchúrsa ECDL, Leibhéal 1 City and Guilds sa Cheardlann Ríomhairí. Táirgeann an cheardlann seo méid suntasach oibre e.g. priontáil etc. agus tá an-éileamh uirthi.
- **Scileanna Tionsclaíocha:** Níl aon teastasú ar fáil faoi láthair, ach táthar ag obair ar theastasú City and Guilds do 2013.
- **Cearpantóireacht / Adhmadóireacht:** Níl aon teastasú faoi láthair ach táthar ag lorg ceadaithe le haghaidh Chearpantóireacht Leibhéal 1 City and Guilds do 2013.
- **Bunchúrsa Bia:** Déantar an cheardlann seo sa scoil nua. Teagascar scileanna cócaireachta, sláinteachas, luach cothaitheach bia, agus conas freastal ar tháblaí.
- **Glantóireacht Thionsclaíoch:** Bronntar Teastasú City and Guilds.
- **Cistin:** Teastas Bunsláinteachais Bhia arna bhronnadh ag FSAI. Bhuaigh an chistin cuid mhór dámhachtainí den sórt sin.
- **Scileanna Níocháin:** Níl aon teastasú ar fáil faoi láthair ach táthar ag lorg theastasú Guild of Launderers a thosú i mí an Mhárta 2013.
- **Ceardlann Phéinteála:** Cuireadh deireadh leis an gceardlann phéinteála ag deireadh 2012.
- **Ceardlann Mhiotalóireachta:** Níl an cheardlann seo ag feidhmiú faoi láthair de bharr easpa foirne.

Ní raibh ceardlanna ar siúl uaireanta mar gheall ar an easpa acmhainní daonna a bhí ar fáil de bharr scoir, aistrithe etc. As seo amach, féachfaidh an Comhaontú Claochlaithe do Champas Mhuinseo le haon cheann/gach ceann de na folúntais sna Ceardlanna Oibre agus Oiliúna a líonadh.

Tá roinnt príosúnach ón Aonad Oiliúna i gCampas Mhuinseo ag gníomhú i gcáil meantóra, go háirithe sa chistin, i mbialann na foirne, agus ag cabhrú leis an obair ar na tailte. Tá ag éirí go maith leis an scéim seo faoi láthair.

Chuir príosúnaigh ó Rannóg D tús le Scéim Oibrithe Deonacha Chumann Croise Deirge na hÉireann i mí na Nollag 2012. Is í príomhaidhm na scéime ná go mbeidh príosúnaigh níos meabhraí ar chúrsaí sláinteachais agus sláinte agus go nglacfaidh siad le ról mar ‘éisteoir’ do phríosúnaigh chun idirghabháil a dhéanamh idir baill foirne agus iad féin maidir le haon ábhair inní / fadhbanna atá acu. Tugadh feabhsúchán faoi deara sa líon de phríosúnaigh Chosaint C3 a bhíonn ag freastal ar

cheardlanna agus sa líon príosúnach ó sciathán D agus ó sciathán C a mheascann le chéile sna ceardlanna.

Clár Príosúin agus Promhaidh de chuid Thionscadal Solas:

Díríonn an clár ar mhuinín a thógáil le ciontóirí óga trí thacaíocht mhothúcháinach agus trí chúnamh praiticiúil a fhorbairt, trí sheirbhísí tacaíochta réamhscaoilte agus iarscaoilte. D'éirigh go maith leis an gclár le linn 2012 agus bhí rannpháirtíocht láidir i measc na gciontóirí óga i Rugbaí Leaiste, i Léiriúchán Ceoil agus in Uisceaponaic.

Mar aon le cuid mhór tionscnaimh eile atá ar siúl san Fhoras, tugann an clár seo aitheantas riachtanach do na riachtanais speisialta agus do na riachtanais oiliúnacha atá ag na fir óga atá san Fhoras, daoine atá leochaileach agus faoi bhuntáiste den chuid is mó.

Molann an Coiste Cuairte sa bhealach is láidre go leanfar ar aghaidh le tacaíocht agus le maoiniú a chur ar fáil don chlár. Moltar do pháirtithe a bhfuil spéis acu ann scrúdú níos mine a dhéanamh ar an tionscadal ar an láithreán gréasáin www.solasproject.ie

Reáchtálann Club Peile Bohemians 'cóitseáil pheile' d'ógánaigh ar bhonn démhíosúil. Baineann na príosúnaigh sult as a bheith ag dul i dteagmháil le 'Bohs' agus le Richard Sadler, Imreoir Idirnáisiúnta na hÉireann/Tráchttaire Teilifíse.

An tIonad Cuairteoirí:

Feidhmíonn an t-ionad cuairteoirí mar limistéar fáiltithe/feithimh taobh amuigh den phríosún dóibh siúd atá ar cuairt. Tugadh faoi deara ar roinnt ócáidí go raibh an limistéar seo míshlachtmhar. Tháinig fadhb chun cinn freisin maidir le hoibriú ceann amháin de na leithris do mhná. Réitíodh an fhadhb sin.

Bhí díomá ar an gCoiste Cuairte agus orthu siúd a bhí ar cuairt gur baineadh seirbhísí Chumann Naomh Uinseann de Pól as an limistéar seo. Thairg siad deochanna dóibh siúd a bhí ar cuairt agus bhí siad ar fáil chun labhairt leo i gcónaí.

Ba mhaith leis an gCoiste Cuairte caibinéad taispeána a fheiceáil, rud ina dtaispeánfaí saothair na bpríosúnach ón gceantar seo. Táthar ag súil go gcuirfear roinnt de na bréagáin bhoga a tháirgtear sna ceardlanna ar fáil i limistéar súgartha na leanaí.

Slándáil:

Leantar leis an limistéar slándála a reáchtáil ar bhealach cairdiúil éifeachtúil. Bíonn madra bolaíochta/druaí i láthair do chuairteanna oscailte teaghlaigh. Feidhmíonn sé sin mar chosc breise contrabhanna.

Cé gur tháinig méadú mór ar phatról an Gharda Síochána lasmuigh de bhallaí an choimpléacs, bíonn fadhb go fóill maidir le contrabhanna a bheith á gcaitheamh isteach sna clóis aclaíochta a bhfuil eangach timpeall orthu. Bíonn sé sin go háirithe fadhbach nuair a bhíonn an Garda Síochána imscartha in áiteanna eile. Má éiríonn le contrabhanna dul isteach sa limistéar a bhfuil eangach timpeall air, déantar na clóis a ghlanadh agus a sheiceáil. Ina dhiaidh sin, déantar an contrabhanna a choinneáil agus a chur ar aghaidh chuig na Gardaí.

Leas na bPríosúnach:

Cuairteanna Domhnaigh:

Is féidir cuairt a thabhairt ar an Domhnach anois. Tá sé sin chun tairbhe dóibh siúd a oibríonn i lár na seachtaine nó nach mór dóibh taisteal chun cuairt a thabhairt ar phríosúnach.

Clár na nEachtraí:

Taispeántar i gClár na nEachtraí gach timpiste/eachtra/baint nó athlonnú a tharlaíonn laistigh den phríosún. Taispeántar ann freisin cé acu atá nó nach bhfuil CCTV ar fáil, cé acu a bhí nó nach raibh gá ag príosúnach le coinne leis an oibrí leighis, cé acu a bhí nó nach raibh 'teagmháil dhíreach' ag teastáil agus cé acu a eisíodh nó nár eisíodh foirm P19. Sa chás go ndearnadh an príosúnach a bhaint nó a athlonnú, bíonn nóta ina dtaispeántar cén áit ar tharla an eachtra agus cén áit a ndearnadh an príosúnach a bhaint as/a athlonnú chuige.

Baineann formhór na n-eachtraí le foréigean idir príosúnaigh. Leanann an ghné seo de shaol an phríosúin de bheith ina fadhb.

Ó fhoilsiú Thuarascáil an Chigire, tá laghdú suntasach tagtha ar líon fhoirmeacha P19 a eisítear.

Gearáin Phríosúnach:

Tá múnla nua gearán á thabhairt isteach ar bhonn céimithe. Is é atá sa mhúnla seo ceithre chatagóir gearán ar leith:

Is ionann Gearáin Chatagóir A agus an leibhéal is tromchúisí gearán a bhaineann le líomhaintí faoi ionsaí nó faoi imeaglú. Is é imscrúdaitheoir seachtrach a dhéanann an chigireacht tosaigh. Is féidir achomharc a dhéanamh chuig Cigire na bPríosún ansin.

Tugadh nós imeachta Gearán Chatagóir A isteach ar an 1 Samhain 2012. Rinneadh ceithre ghearán ó tugadh isteach é. Níor seasadh le dhá líomhain, tá an dá cheann eile fós á n-imscrúdú.

Níor tugadh isteach na catagóirí eile Gearán go fóill.

Réim Dreasaithe:

Oibríonn an clár réime dreasaithe ar thrí leibhéal; bunúsach, caighdeánach agus feabhsaithe. Tosaíonn siad siúd atá ag dul isteach san Fhoras ar leibhéal caighdeánach. Is é iompar an phríosúnaigh a mbeidh ina chúis lena bhogadh suas go dtí an leibhéal feabhsaithe nó síos go dtí an leibhéal bunúsach. Is í an dreasacht do phríosúnaigh ná go bhfaighidh siad níos mó pribhléidí ag na leibhéil níos airde i.e. tuilleadh glaonna teileafóin, tuilleadh cuairteanna, rochtain mhéadaithe ar an siopa milseán agus aisce níos airde. Is iad seo a leanas na leibhéil reatha aisce: bunúsach €0.95, caighdeánach €1.70 agus feabhsaithe €2.20.

Bainistíocht Pianbhreithe Chomhtháite:

Ní thagann Bainistíocht Pianbhreithe Chomhtháite (ISM) go héasca le struchtúr Fhoras Naomh Pádraig ar roinnt cúiseanna éagsúla. Tá cuid mhór príosúnach ag cur isteach pianbhreitheanna de níos lú ná bliain amháin agus, i gcás príosúnach atá faoi phianbhreitheanna níos faide, aistroidh siad chuig forais eile agus iad 21 bliain d'aois

chun a gcuid pianbhreitheanna a chríochnú. Ina theannta sin, níl aon chomhordaitheoir ISM i bhForas Naomh Pádraig.

In ainneoin na nithe thuas, tá clár i bhfeidhm lena mbaineann an tSeirbhís Promhaidh agus comhlachtaí seachtracha eile a thagann le chéile chun bainistiú a dhéanamh, nuair is féidir, ar riachtanais phríosúnaigh Fhoras Naomh Pádraig sula scaoilfear iad.

Cúrsaí Leighis:

Cimithe:

Ar dhul isteach dóibh san Fhoras, déanann altra nó oibrí leighis scrúdú ar gach príosúnach. Déanann Dochtúir Ginearálta (GP) scrúdú orthu laistigh de 24 uair an chloig freisin. Scagthástáiltear príosúnaigh i gcomhair airíonna meabhairshláinte agus atreoraítear iad dá réir sin.

Lialann:

Soláthraíonn an lialann seirbhís 24 uair. Bíonn triúr ball foirne (oibrí leighis/altraí) ar fáil le linn an lae agus bíonn ball foirne amháin ar dualgas oíche. Ag an deireadh seachtaine, bíonn seirbhís dochtúra ionaid, agus bíonn GP ar glao-dhualgas. Tá Príomhoifigeach Altranais amháin, seisear altraí agus beirt ghiollaí leighis. Tugann gach ball foirne cúram sláinte faoi fhorbairt ghairmiúil leanúnach (CPD).

Andúil agus Meabhairshláinte:

Bhí 65 coinne ag Síciatraí Andúile FSS le linn na bliana. Bhí beirt chomhairleoirí andúile freisin. Déantar úranailís dhá uair in aghaidh na seachtaine agus go randamach nuair is gá.

Tá seirbhís shíciatrach inrochtana ar fáil ón Ospidéal Lárnach Mearbhaill agus tairgeann sí 3 sheisiún in aghaidh na seachtaine. Cabhraíonn Cláraitheoir Sinsearach rothlach agus Altra Síciatrach Pobail leis an tseirbhís seo a sholáthar.

Is féidir le príosúnaigh leas a bhaint as seirbhísí síceolaí freisin.

Saoraidí eile:

Is féidir príosúnaigh a scagthástáil i gcomhair Eitinne (TB) agus a vacsaíniú ina haghaidh.

Is féidir le príosúnaigh leas a bhaint as seirbhísí fiaclóra, radharceolaí agus coslia.

Iarchúram:

Taifeadtar na nótaí leighis uile ar Chóras Bainistíochta Sláinte na bPríosún (PHMS). Oibríonn an córas seo ar fud na bpríosún uile agus soláthraíonn sé leanúnachas cúraim dóibh siúd atá ag aistriú chuig príosún eile.

Déantar gach príosúnach a bhfuil tinneas leighis nó meabhrach orthu nó a bhfuil andúil acu a nascadh le seirbhísí pobail sula scaoilfear iad.

Staitisticí:

Agallaimh chimithe a taifeadadh = 1024

Is cúis áthais í nach bhfuair aon duine bás agus é faoi choimeád. Bhí 253 eachtra nó díobháil. Bhain 112 ceann acu le sciorthaí, le tuislí nó le titimí. Tharla 73 ceann acu de bharr racáin nó troda. Bhí 72 eachtra ina n-ionsaithe ag príosúnaigh eile. Bhí 45 eachtra féindíobhála d'aon ghnó; is ionann é sin agus méadú de 24 eachtra i gcomparáid leis an bhfigiúr do 2011.

Ón 1 Iúil 2012 ar aghaidh, glacadh príosúnach amháin isteach san Ospidéal Lárnach Mearbhaill, atreoraíodh 70 príosúnach chuig an Rannóg Timpistí agus Éigeandála. D'fhreastail 175 príosúnach ar ospidéal le haghaidh coinní othar seachtrach.

Is é dochtúir a dhéanann cinneadh ar cé acu ba cheart nó nár cheart príosúnach a athlonnú i gCillín Breathnaithe Sábháilteachta. Mura mbíonn dochtúir ar fáil, is altra a dhéanann an cinneadh sin. Déantar an próiseas ar fad a thaifeadadh agus a dhoiciméadú go maith.

Tionscnaimh:

Táthar ag súil go mbeidh méadú ar líon na vacsaínithe agus ar an méid feasachta sláinte gnéis i 2013 a bhuí le Tionscnamh Chumann na Croise Deirge. Áireofar leis sin scagthástáil STI agus 'clinic wellman'. Tá an-díograis i measc na foirne leighis maidir le feasacht sláinte na bhfear a chur chun cinn. Chuir príosúnaigh spéis mhór sa tionscnamh seo freisin.

Cruinnithe príosúnach leis an gCoiste:

Tháinig seachtar príosúnach chun bualadh leis an gCoiste i mbliana. Déanann an Coiste iarracht fáilte a chur roimh an gcuariteoir agus é a chur ar a shuaimhneas i gcónaí. Is go hiomlán faoi rún atá gach plé a dhéantar le linn na gcuariteanna seo. Nuair is féidir é, tugtar aiseolas don duine aonair tríd an nGobharnóir chomh luath agus is féidir, laistigh de 24 uair, go deimhin.

Cruinnithe na gCathaoirleach ar Choistí Cuairte Príosúin:

Thar ceann Choiste Cuairte Fhoras Naomh Pádraig, d'fhreastail an cathaoirleach ar roinnt chruinnithe na gCathaoirleach ar na príosúin uile. Tá na cruinnithe seo úsáideach mar go dtugann siad deis do na Cathaoirligh taithí a chomhroinnt ar ghníomhaíochtaí na gcoistí agus plé a dhéanamh ar bheartas agus ar dhualgais na gcoistí.

Aidhmeanna:

Méadú a dhéanamh ar úsáid an naisc Físe leis na cúirteanna.

Leanúint le malairtí ar ghnáthdhaoradh a chothú.

Idirchaidreamh a dhéanamh le gníomhaireachtaí leasmhara chun bainistiú a dhéanamh ar choinneáil príosúnach atá 17 mbliana d'aois.

Forbairt a dhéanamh ar straitéisí dreasachta a spreagann príosúnaigh chun úsáid iomlán a bhaint as an Scoil agus as na Ceardlanna.

Spreagadh a dhéanamh ar thuilleadh gníomhaíochtaí a chuireann rannpháirtíocht idir príosúnaigh chun cinn.

Spreagadh a dhéanamh ar fhostóirí ionchasacha chun cuairt a thabhairt ar ghrúpaí leasmhara agus chun deiseanna fostaíochta a phlé.

Forbairt a dhéanamh ar thuilleadh idirghníomhaíochta trí spórt et al le haonaid eile oideachais.

Conclúid:

Tá áthas orainn an tuarascáil seo a leagan isteach agus táimid den bharúil go bhfuil Foras Naomh Pádraig á reáchtáil ar bhealach an-mhaith i gcónaí ag Gobharnóir agus Foireann phroifisiúnta. Beidh am de dhíth chun freastal ar an dúshlán an athraithe cultúir a aithníodh mar thosaíocht tar éis thuarascáil an Bhreithimh Reilly, tá dul chun cinn á dhéanamh ina leith sin, agus déanfar monatóireacht chúramach air chun comhlíonadh mholtaí agus ardaidhmeanna na tuarascála sin a chinntiú, is é seo an cuspóir aonair is práinní do 2013.

Is mian linn ár mbuíochas a chur in iúl don Ghobharnóir Robins, don Leas-Ghobharnóir Connolly agus don Leas-Ghobharnóir Hughes, don Leas-Ghobharnóir Woods agus don Leas-Ghobharnóir Walsh as an gcomhoibriú a thug siad dúinn. Gabhaimid buíochas an-speisialta le Simon Walsh, arb é ár gCléireach leis an gCoiste Cuairte é. Is mór againn an tacaíocht den scoth a thug sé don Choiste le linn na bliana.

Tá baill an Choiste Cuairte tiomanta dár ndualgas a chomhlíonadh go hiomlán agus do thacaíocht a thabhairt do gach iarracht chun cultúr an fhorais a athrú. Creidimid go bhféadfaí feabhas a chur ar an bpríosún ar bhonn leanúnach. Táimid ag súil le bheith ag obair agus ag comhoibriú go dlúth le Foireann an Phríosúin, leis na Príosúnaigh, le Seirbhís Phríosúin na hÉireann agus leis an Aire Dlí agus Cirt agus Comhionannais.

Denis Murphy Cathaoirleach 2012