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Re: Freedom of Information Request

Please find below the response to your recent Freedom of Information request regarding Mental health and Physical health commissioning within Southport and Formby CCG.

Request/[Response](#):

1. What health services does the CCG commission specifically for probation service clients (those seen by the National Probation Service, Community Rehabilitation Companies, or housed in probation Approved Premises) for:

- A) Mental health

[Services specific for offenders are commissioned by NHS England. There are no specific CCG mental services aimed at probation service clients in approved probation accommodation.](#)

[Commissioners are currently in discussions around forensic psychology services for sex offenders to better understand the pathway and criteria for those who may fall outside of the NHS England commissioned service criteria.](#)

- B) Physical health

Please describe each service (e.g. 'a one-off health clinic in a probation office'), and give grade and hours of work for staff at the service(s)

[NHS Southport and Formby CCG does not commission any specific physical health services for probation service clients but access popular wide services.](#)

2. Does the CCG facilitate access to mainstream (non-offender-specific) healthcare for probation service clients in any way (e.g. directly making probation staff aware of the services that it commissions and referral procedures)? If so, please could you describe how you do this?

[This is done through Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust through their Liaison and Diversion service \(commissioned by NHS England\).](#)