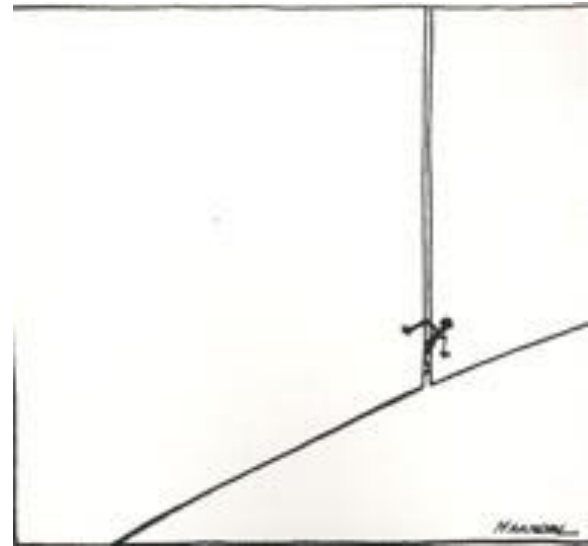


Treatment in forensic care centers in The Netherlands

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[Typical case]



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[Tbs]

- Tbs is a special **measure** that the courts can impose on people who suffer from a personality disorder and/or a serious mental health illness *and* have committed a serious crime.

[Right care and treatment?]

- Many Tbs-patients are found to have been in long *and* intensive contact with general mental health care institutions before a Tbs-verdict was actually imposed.
- The question was if this was the right care and treatment.

[Jaap A. van Vliet, (2006). *De Tbs in zijn maatschappelijke context. De relatie tussen forensische psychiatrie en algemene geestelijke gezondheidszorg*. Wolf Legal Publishers.]

[Serious Mental Illness]

- Offenders with Severe Mental Illness are more likely than their non-mentally ill peers, to be re-arrested and re-incarcerated and remain in the Criminal Justice System for extended periods.
- The 'over-representation' is such, that it's estimated that those with Severe Mental Illness are three times less likely to be placed in a psychiatric hospital than in a jail or prison.

[James A. Swartz, Suhad Tabahi, (2017). Community-Based Mental Health Treatment Preceding Jail Detention Among Adults with Serious Mental Illness. *International Journal of Forensic Mental Health*, Vol. 16, No. 2, 104-116.]

Forensic Psychiatric Supervision (FPT)

- Improving activities of the probation service within the Tbs-framework
- Training sessions
- Structuring of case studies
- Cooperation in the outflow phase
- Safe outflow of Tbs-patients

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