The Future of Accreditation in Europe: A Northern Ireland Perspective

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NORTHERN IRELAND PROFILE

- Population 1.7 million
- Devolution of policing and justice April 2010
- Significant reform agenda for justice
- Programme for Government 2011-15
- Strategic Framework for Reducing Offending
FACTORS AFFECTING PBNI
PBN1 RESULTS

1. Ensuring sentence compliance
2. Challenging offending
3. Minimising harm
4. Promoting responsible citizenship

Reducing Offending
OVERVIEW OF PROGRAMMES

• Strategy and Vision in Northern Ireland
• Current Programmes
• New development and initiatives
• Opportunities for accreditation
• The Future
PROGRAMMES

Strategy & Vision

- To deliver best practice programmes to challenge offending behaviour and reduce offending
- By managing offenders behaviour, reduce number of victims and contribute to public protection
- Teach new methods of self-management
- Seamless programme delivery model through the CJS
- Research and evaluation strategy to inform national and international best practice
SUPPORTING THE STRATEGY

- Joint Strategic Programme Group
- Programme Operational Group
- Internal Programme Panel
- Correctional Services Accreditation Panel
- Independent Programme Advisors/ Consultants
PROGRAMMES AND INTERVENTIONS

Sex Offenders Interventions
- Community Sex Offender Groupwork Programme (CSOGP)
- Adapted Community Sex Offender Groupwork Programme (A-CSOGP)
- Safer Lives Programme
- Internet Sex Offender Groupwork Programme (I-CSOGP)
- Better Lives: Relapse Prevention Programme
- Stable & Acute Model

Violence Interventions
- Cognitive Self-Change Programme (CSCP)
- Integrated Domestic Abuse Programme (IDAP) [Replacement for Men Overcoming Domestic Violence (MODV) in 2010]
- Anger Management
- Controlling Anger and Learning to Manage (CALM)
OFFENDING BEHAVIOURAL PROGRAMMES

General Offending Interventions

- Think First
- Victim Awareness

Alcohol/Substance Interventions

- Alcohol Management
- Alcohol Management and Substance Related Offending
Interventions For Women Offenders

- GOALS
- Think First
- Anger Management
- Community Based Support Services

Interventions For Juvenile Offenders

- Juvenile Enhanced Thinking Skills (JETS)
- Violence Programme
NEW INITIATIVES

• Becoming New Me (Adapted Sex Offender Programme)
• DAPP (Hate Crime)
• Anger Management Programme
• Cognitive Skills
• Substance Misuse
OPPORTUNITIES

- Joint Programme Development
- Accreditation/ Approval
- EU Funding
- Evaluation
- Resources
GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR THE FUTURE WITHIN PBNI- CJ

- Shared best practice/ inclusive approach
- Collaboration across Criminal Justice and other agencies
- Links with academic institutions
- Research to inform best practice with Northern Ireland/ Ireland/ Scotland and beyond
- Testing learning in jurisdictions - What works (where, with whom, etc.)
- Realising a collective vision for interventions
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