

Healthcare Access

Many offenders have a high level and complexity of health needs, but often do not access healthcare until crisis point

Our systematic review of the research literature identified the following facilitators for access:

Facilitators



Improving offenders' literacy and health literacy (Donnelle and Hall, 2014)



Providing health information in plain accessible language (Donnelle and Hall, 2014)



Having staff that are responsible for meeting people at the prison gate and arranging continuity of care (Arriola et al., 2007)



Partnership working: developing joint understanding of offenders' health needs; co-commissioning and co-delivery of services (Plugge et al., 2014; Marlow et al., 2010)



Caring professional demeanour (Donnelle and Hall, 2014; Marlow et al., 2010)



GP registration schemes (Lang et al., 2014)



Appropriate opening hours and accessible location (Donnelle and Hall, 2014)



Co-locating staff or services (Donnelle and Hall, 2014)



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