



HM Prison &
Probation Service

Lived Experience Engagement

Next Generation of Accredited Programmes



The Next Generation of Offending Behaviour Programmes

Summary

- The Next Generation of Accredited Programmes (NG-AcP) is a HMPPS change programme which seeks to contribute to reducing reoffending by ensuring that accredited programmes have maximum reach and impact, are delivered in flexible and efficient ways and that arrangements for staff training, delivery, support, oversight and evaluation are improved. Following review of the current suite of accredited programmes, we identified there were opportunities to refine the offer. Most of the people who would benefit from an accredited programme have multiple needs, but the drivers for offending behaviour are largely the same, regardless of offence type.
- Our mission is to develop and design a range of products in alignment with the best available evidence, which can be delivered across HMPPS to reduce reoffending, enable desistance, and protect the public



•Our principles:

- be driven and informed by the evidence;
- propose options that are operationally viable;
- build a suite that can be responsive to changes in demand;
- fully consider equalities from the outset;
- be informed by key stakeholder experience and open to feedback;
- make bold recommendations for change based on the above as necessary.

•Our Objectives:

- We need to ensure we take full account of the different needs and experiences of people in prison and under probation supervision who participate in accredited programmes; We want to ensure that the NG-AcP is informed and co-produced by people with lived experience.
- We have produced a paper which sets out our planned approach to the NG-AcP. We are intending to circulate this document to identified stakeholders during Autumn 2021 for consideration. This will be supported by a series of 'roadshow' events to capture feedback on the approach. The feedback received will inform the Next Generation of Accredited Programmes.

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- We have a budget for up to £10,000 to support partner organisations to deliver a series of workshops looking at the experiences of individuals in custody and on probation, to ask them about:
 - Their experience of assessment processes for accredited programmes
 - Their experiences of undertaking a programme – i.e. was it inclusive, responsive, culturally sensitive? Did people change their thinking or behaviour due to attending the programme? Were people's individual needs taken into account?
- We would also like to hear from people who were considered for a programme, but did not subsequently take part in a programme – i.e. who may have been referred to a programme, but were not subsequently eligible.

Whilst we are not setting a minimum number of individuals from whom we would like to hear, we would like to hear from a mix of all cohorts, age ranges, ethnicity. Please indicate the cohort(s) you will be working with in terms of size and characteristics.

- The timescale for this to be completed is:
 - Consultation to take place during the months of November/ December / January
 - Feedback to be collated and submitted by 28th February 2022.
- Please send through expressions of interest, proposals (including budgets and no more than 2 sides of A4) and by the deadline of 31st October 2021 and any further questions to AccreditedProgrammesNextGen@justice.gov.uk