



The NHS England Long Term Plan: what it means for speech & language therapy

NHS Long Term Plan: Appendix Appendix I: How the NHS long term plan supports wider social goals

Headlines – what does the relevant section that will be of interest to our members	P119	Implication – what does this mean for speech and language therapy?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To support veterans there will be an expansion in local transition, liaison and treatment services that provide support for a range of healthcare and social needs. By 2023/24, these services will expand access to complex treatment services, which will include therapies. 	Para 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is a role for AHPs/SLTs to support the needs of veterans. SLTs need to position themselves in the new complex treatment services to support communication and swallowing needs.
Healthcare across secure and detained settings including prisons, secure facilities for children and young people, police and court Liaison and Diversion services	P118	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adults and children and young people will receive health screening on entering prison and a follow-up appointment within seven days, or sooner as required. There will be an improvement in continuity of care after a custody service. The Community Service Treatment Requirement (CSTR) programme will be expanded to support women offenders, offenders with a learning disability and those with mental health and additional requirements. There will be new services to support vulnerable young people with high harm, high risk, high vulnerability via trauma-informed services for people in, or at risk of being in, contact with the youth justice system to provide assessment, treatment and transition into integrated services. 	P118 Para 9 Para 10 Para 11 Para 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The RCSLT continues to work with Government to influence the screening and assessment tools used in secure settings. SLTs should be a core part of any services supporting people with learning disability and mental health needs. Based on the evidence, there is a clear and growing role for SLTs to work in trauma services.

RESOURCES

- The NHS Long Term Plan is accessible via: <https://www.longtermplan.nhs.uk/>
- The RCSLT analysis of the plan (Feb 2019) is accessible via: <https://bit.ly/2RTUoGr>
- The RCSLT response to the plan (Jan 2019) is accessible via: <https://bit.ly/2DKI7AI>
- The RCSLT consultation response (Sept 2018) is accessible via: <https://bit.ly/2C4dcm>

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