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Dear partners,

Probation Reset Update

You will be aware that a Written Ministerial Statement to Parliament was laid earlier this month which announced the 'Probation Reset' we are making to reduce demands on probation and strengthen our capacity to engage offenders in the community at the points in their sentence when it matters most.

You can read the Written Ministerial Statement in full, but I wanted to provide a brief update.

As of 29 April, we have re-set probation so that practitioners prioritise engagement and supervision at the points in the sentence where it has the most impact on people on probation.

Cases that continue with Probation contact in the final third are:

- MAPPA Cases of all Categories (1-4) and Levels (1-3)
- All cases directly managed by a Specialist Probation Practitioner in the National Security Division (NSD)
- All cases identified as very high risk of serious harm
- All cases with current active child protection procedures in place
- Those subject to an Intensive Supervision Court pilot (until such time as the evaluation is complete)

For other cases, the following will apply:

- Active supervision appointments with individuals subject to licence will cease after the two-thirds point. One further follow-up appointment is required for licence cases only midway through the final part of the licence.
- Active supervision appointments under post-sentence supervision will also cease to be delivered unless cases fall under the exemption criteria. For these exempt cases PSS will continue at current frequency.
- For Community Orders or Suspended Sentence Orders with a Rehabilitation Activity Requirement (RAR), RAR appointments and delivery of activity days will cease to be delivered after two-thirds of the order has passed.

We have developed further policy and guidance. I would value an opportunity to talk to you further about these changes and other changes to probation supervision. If you think this would be helpful, then please get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'SH Kennerson'. The 'S' is large and stylized, followed by 'H' and 'Kennerson' in a cursive script.

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