

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

10 July 2015

The Irish Prison Service (IPS) wishes to invite expressions of interest from persons and /or organisations interested in providing resettlement co-ordinators for persons leaving prison at Limerick Prison, West Dublin Prison Campus and Portlaoise Prison Campus to assist offenders in their transition from custody to community.

It is envisaged that appropriately qualified and / or experienced staff might provide a co-ordinated guidance and support service to prisoners, assisting access to primary care supports including housing, medical and welfare provisions prior to release, and maintaining the relationship post release to facilitate stability in the community. This service will include a liaison and advocacy role with a range of government and non-government organisations, and active participation in a prison setting with vulnerable and high risk prisoners, to improve community re-integration and outcomes for offenders.

The IPS intends to draw up, from the expressions of interest, a list of potential service providers with whom it may be in contact if / when the need for such service provision arises. It should be noted that currently the IPS is only considering short term contracts (e.g. 24 months or less) on foot of this advertisement.

If engaged, service providers will be subject to the terms and conditions of Department of Public Expenditure and Reform Circular 13/2014.

Latest date for the receipt of expressions of interest is **5pm on 31st of July 2015.**

Applications for inclusion on the list should be sent to:

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