

SPSO decision report

Case: 201103744, Scottish Prison Service
Sector: scottish government and devolved administration
Subject: progression
Outcome: not upheld, no recommendations

Summary

Mr C, who is a prisoner, complained that the SPS delayed in identifying that he needed to take part in a particular offending behaviour programme. He had already participated in one programme, and felt that his needs had not changed since he began his sentence. He was unhappy that the requirement for the second course was not flagged up earlier and felt that this set back his progress.

The prison told us that feedback from the first programme assessed Mr C as having outstanding needs and that he needed to complete an additional course. As such, there was no opportunity for this requirement to be identified earlier in Mr C's sentence, so we did not uphold the complaint.