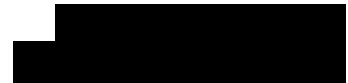


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1 June 2026

FAO Ms Alexandra Pountney
Assistant Coroner for Nottingham and Nottinghamshire



Dear Ms Pountney

RE: Regulation 28 Report Concerning Jonathan Mark Thornton

We write in response to your Prevention of Future Deaths Regulation 28 ('Report') dated 8 April 2026 concerning the death of Jonathan Mark Thornton on 12 July 2024. Before responding to the matters of concern you have included within your Report, I would like to express my condolences to Mr Thornton's family and loved ones.

From your Report, we understand that you have concerns about information sharing between the community forensic and prison healthcare teams; information sharing between the prison healthcare team and operational prison staff; and categorisation and visibility of alerts on National Offender Management Information System / Digital Prison Services (NOMIS / DPS).

You have asked The Trust to either provide details of action taken, or proposed to be taken, setting out the timetable for action. Otherwise, the Trust must explain why no action is proposed. Please find below our response to your concerns detailing the actions being taken.

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Information sharing between the Community Forensic Team and Prison Healthcare

We agree with your statement in your Report that the handover of information between Community Forensic Team and Prison Healthcare is vital for the risk assessment and management of prisoners who are known to the Community Forensic Team.

As you know, since Mr Thornton's death, the responsibility for Community Forensic and Prison Healthcare teams has changed. **Northamptonshire** Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust now runs the Prison Healthcare team at HMP Nottingham and **Nottinghamshire** Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust continues to run the local Community Forensic Team.

We have put practical arrangements in place between the Community Forensic Team and the Prison Healthcare Team at HMP Nottingham to make sure information is shared smoothly when someone comes into custody. This includes holding named contacts in each team.

The national SEAT template is completed for everyone arriving at HMP Nottingham. It prompts conversations about their mental health, any current concerns, and whether they have been involved with community services. This helps the prison healthcare team quickly connect with the right services and gather any information needed to support the person's care.

While forensic services use a different patient record system to that used by community and prison healthcare services (SystmOne), the arrangements we have put in place mean that information is now passed on more reliably and people receive better-connected care when they come into custody. If information has already been recorded on SystmOne, the team at HMP Nottingham can see this straight away when the person arrives, which helps avoid delays.

Information sharing between Prison Healthcare and Operational Prison Staff

From our experience providing prison healthcare services across the wider East Midlands and East of England regions, we understand the importance of effective communication and working relationships between Prison Healthcare and Operational Prison staff in maintaining the health and safety of prisons and staff at HMP Nottingham.

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Since taking over responsibility for healthcare services at HMP Nottingham on 19 November 2025, we have put in place regular and consistent ways of sharing information within the prison. This includes routine contact through daily morning briefings, SIM meetings, drug strategy discussions, and ongoing conversations with colleagues in reception, healthcare, and across the house blocks.

Alongside these planned touchpoints, staff also speak with each other by phone and email whenever concerns arise or when advice and support are needed. This mix of structured meetings and day-to-day communication helps ensure that important information is shared quickly and that any issues can be picked up and acted on without delay.

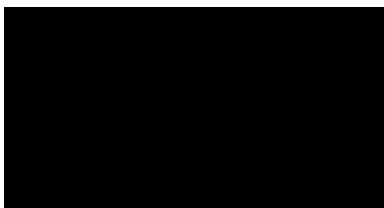
Categorisation and visibility of alerts on NOMIS/DPS

Your Report acknowledges that the Ministry of Justice (MoJ) is responsible for the NOMIS/DPS and states that you have sent a copy of this report to the Ministry of Justice for their response. We shall therefore defer to the MoJ in responding to your concerns about alerts within NOMIS/DPS.

To the extent that our involvement is required, we shall collaborate with both the MoJ and Governor of HMP Nottingham in making the necessary changes to NOMIS/DPS to address the concerns you raised in your Report.

I hope the content of this letter fully addresses the concerns you raised in your Report and provides assurance on the steps we have taken. Please contact me if you have any questions about this letter or require further information.

Yours sincerely



Chief Executive

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