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WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES BY DEPUTY M.R. HIGGINS OF ST. HELIER ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 2017

Question

Will the Minister advise what hospitals or other medical centres in the United Kingdom, if any, are used by the States of Jersey Prison Service and how many prisoners have been referred to any such places over the last five years; and will he also state the purpose of any such referrals, the duration of the treatment provided, and what monitoring of the quality of the treatment takes place?

Answer

Prisoners requiring referral to the UK for specialist care that cannot be provided on-island are referred by HSSD consultants to the most appropriate care centre in the same way as any other Islander.

In the last five years, eight prisoners have received specialist care that cannot be provided on-island. The duration of this treatment is determined by their treatment team, with that treatment monitored according to the standard arrangements in place for any off-island treatment. Given the small numbers involved, it is not appropriate to give details of their treatment as this would risk identifying individuals.