This observational study was based in Ireland’s main male remand prison. This study showed that 86% within one month (142/166) of referrals to community psychiatry services, achieved successful transfer of care (TOC). PRISON TRANSFERS: 92% Prison transfers achieved TOC (152/166). COMMUNITY TRANSFERS: 59% referrals to community OPD/GP achieved TOC (140/237). 40% within 1 month (94/237). 

RESULTS – TRANSFER OF CARE: TIMEFRAMES

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<th>Descriptor</th>
<th>Total discharges N=911</th>
<th>Referred to follow-up mental healthcare in prisons and outpatient settings. (N=524)</th>
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<td>TOC achieved within 31 days</td>
<td>167 (18.5%)</td>
<td>713 (13.9%)</td>
<td>I=0.6 P=0.6</td>
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<td>TOC not achieved, or after 31 days</td>
<td>744 (81.5%)</td>
<td>451 (86.1%)</td>
<td>X²=2.5 P=0.1</td>
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RESULTS – TOC ACHIEVED VS NOT ACHIEVED

Age at date first seen Mean 32.7 SD 10.9 Mean 33.3 years SD 10.6 Mean 34.0 years SD 12.4 P=0.01

Active psychotic symptoms 367 (29.3%) 107/357 (30.3%) 257/357 (71.7%) X²=2.5 P=0.1

Diagnosis F20-31 304 (33.4%) 226/357 (63.3%) 64/167 (38.3%) X²=28.7 P<0.001

Severe mental illness 360 (39.5%) 238/357 (66.3%) 81/167 (48.5%) X²=14.7 P<0.001

Homeless 342 (37.5%) 166/357 (46.5%) 65/167 (39.8%) X²=2.7 P=0.1

Lifeline substance abuse problems 817 (90.7%) 319/357 (89.4%) 155/167 (92.8%) X²=4.3 P=0.037

Lifeline DSH 538 (59.1%) 190/357 (53.2%) 100/167 (60.4%) X²=2 0 P=0.153

Violent index offence (current) 298 (32.7%) 113/357 (31.7%) 33/167 (20.1%) X²=8.0 P=0.004

AIMS:

• For men discharged from the PICLS (Prison Inreach & Court Liaison Service) caseload at Cloverhill prison during the years 2015-2017.

METHOD:

• This observational study was based in Ireland’s main male remand prison.

RESULTS – REFERRAL OUTCOMES

Outcome | Number | %
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Inpatient Admissions arranged: | | |
Forensic admissions | 24 | 2.6%
General admissions | 97 | 10.6%
Prison Transfers | | |
Referred to inreach psychiatry | 166 | 18.2%
Community Outpatient referrals | | |
Community Psychiatry OPD | 201 | 22.1%
Community GP | 36 | 3.9%
Not referred for mental health follow up: | | |
Discharged to Prison GP/Addictions Services | 335 | 36.8%
Other (Information letter to GP/Deportation) | 52 | 5.7%
Total | 911 | 100%

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