

<b>Reference:</b>	FOI.13709.24
<b>Subject:</b>	Mentally Disordered Offender (MDO) protocol
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**Requested:**

1. Confirmation that the Trust/organisation is responsible for the provision of inpatient and or community mental health services in your area?
2. Has the Trust/organisation received a copy of the national MDO Victim Protocol (check name and insert date) and the date received from the Ministry of Justice?
3. Define the specific arrangements within your Trust/organisation to meet the requirements set in the national MDO Victim Protocol?
4. Is there a Trust/organisation policy/procedure for enacting the arrangements for Victim work set out in the national MDO Victim Protocol? Please can you provide a copy?
5. Confirmation of the resources dedicated to Victims (such as a lead post or designated team) to meet the requirements set out in the MDO Victim Protocol? Please describe the model and staffing resource?

**Response:**

1. Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) confirms that it is responsible for the provision of inpatient and Community Mental Health services within its geographical area.
2. The UHB confirms that it has not received a copy of the national MDO Victim Protocol from the Ministry of Justice.
3. The UHB confirms that the arrangements set out in the MDO Victim Protocol are managed through the UK Government's Multi-Agency Public Protection Arrangements (MAPPA). The UHB attends MAPPA meetings, where any updates are provided, and Victim Liaison Officers (VLO) share the necessary information.
4. & 5. The UHB does not hold this information, as it does not make contact with victims; all victim sharing is via VLO and MAPPA.