

Dear MenACE partners,

To accomplish the goals of Output 1 – “**State of the Art and Best Practices Review**”, we need to define a data collection instrument that can be used to collect data and to help us characterize the current reality in each country regarding mental health, older inmates and palliative care in the prison setting. Therefore, we kindly invite you:

- to reflect upon the next questions and suggest any other questions/topics that you think should be included;
- start collecting data and some examples regarding your country’s specific situation.

Thank you very much for your cooperation.

## Glossary

<b>Mental health</b>	Mental health is a positive sense of wellbeing, from which springs the emotional and spiritual resilience which is important for personal fulfilment and which enables us to survive pain, disappointment and sadness. It requires an underlying belief in our own and others’ dignity and worth. While it may be difficult to contemplate the existence of positive mental health among prisoners, prison should provide an opportunity for prisoners to be helped towards a sense of the opportunities available to them for personal development, without harming themselves or others (In <i>Mental Health Promotion In Prisons</i> , WHO, 1998)
<b>Palliative care</b>	Palliative care is the prevention and relief of suffering of any kind – physical, psychological, social, or spiritual – experienced by adults and children living with life-limiting health problems. It promotes dignity, quality of life and adjustment to progressive illnesses, using best available evidence (WHO, 2016).
<b>End-of-life care</b>	End-of-life care may be used synonymously with palliative care or hospice care, with end of life understood as an extended period of one to two years during which the patient/family and health professionals become aware of the life-limiting nature of their illness (In <i>End of Life Care Strategy: Promoting high quality care for all adults at the end of life</i> . London: DH, 2008).
<b>Terminal illness</b>	A disease that cannot be cured or adequately treated and that is reasonably expected to result in the death of the patient within a short period of time (Ascension Health, 2007)
<b>Assisted suicide</b>	Assisted suicide is suicide committed with the aid of another person, sometimes a physician. The term is often used interchangeably with physician-assisted suicide (PAS), which involves a doctor knowingly and intentionally providing a person with the knowledge or means or both required to commit suicide. Physician-assisted suicide is distinguished from euthanasia in so far as the physician provides the lethal drug with instructions for its use but is not the agent that administers the drug. The patient decides when and if to use the drug (Junkerman, LJ and Schiedermayer, DL, 1994, <i>Practical Ethics for Students, Interns, and Residents: A Short Reference Manual</i> ).

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## Questionnaire

### A. Screening

1. General health screening of new inmates represents an important process for inmates' health. Does your prison system conduct a screening at intake that considers the following topics:

	Yes	No
<b>1.1. The mental health care needs of inmates?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe (please refer screening practices regarding <b>self-harm</b> and <b>suicide risk</b> ):		
<b>1.2. Their history of drug dependency?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe:		
<b>1.3. Their chronic/medical illness needs?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe:		

2. Is the initial screening age-dependent?

Yes	No
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If yes, please provide more detailed information:

### B. Legal framework

3. Does your country have any specific law/regulation regarding...

	Yes	No
<b>3.1. ...the management of mentally ill inmates?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe:		

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<b>3.2. ...the management of older prisoners?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe:		
<b>3.3. ...the management of inmates with chronic, progressive illnesses?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe:		
<b>3.3. ...the management of terminally ill inmates? (e.g., compassionate release)</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe:		
<b>3.4. ...assisted suicide under certain circumstances?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe:		
<b>3.4. ...assisted suicide under certain circumstances for inmates?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe:		

### C. Practices / Programmes

4. Does your Prison Service have specific programmes targeting the specific rehabilitation needs and/or health of...

	Yes	No
<b>4.1. ...mentally ill prisoners?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe:		
<b>4.2. ...older prisoners?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe:		
<b>4.3. ...inmates with chronic, progressive diseases?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe:		

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<b>4.4. ... terminally ill inmates?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe:		

**5. Does your Prison Service implement any suicide prevention programme in prisons?**  
 If yes, please describe the main goals of the program and provide (publicly available) data about implementation of the programme, if possible (e.g. % of inmates involved in the programme).

#### **D. Infrastructures / Resources / Services**

**6. Does your Prison Service have dedicated prison units/wings in prisons for...**

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
<b>6.1. ... mentally ill prisoners?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe:		
<b>6.2. ...older prisoners?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe:		
<b>6.3. ...inmates with chronic, progressive diseases?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe:		
<b>6.4. ... terminally ill inmates?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe:		

**7. Does your Prison Service have training programs for prison staff addressing...**

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>

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<b>7.1. ...how to deal with the needs and behavior of mentally ill inmates?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe. (Please refer the name of the training course, the number of hours and the number of staff that goes through training each year)		
<b>7.2. ...how to deal with the needs and behavior of older prisoners?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe. (Please refer the name of the training course, the number of hours and the number of staff that goes through training each year)		
<b>7.3. ...how to deal with inmates with chronic, progressive illnesses?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe. (Please refer the name of the training course, the number of hours and the number of staff that goes through training each year)		
<b>7.4. ...how to deal with inmates in need of special care due to terminal illness?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe. (Please refer the name of the training course, the number of hours and the number of staff that goes through training each year)		

**8. Are health services provided in prisons /prison hospitals or in community hospitals for the care of...**

	<b>Prison/Prison hospital</b>	<b>Community hospitals</b>
<b>8.1. ...mentally ill inmates?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe. (Where a hybrid (mix of justice and health) system is in place, please refer which budget covers the public hospital expenditure - Ministry of Health/Ministry of Justice)		
<b>8.2. ...older prisoners?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe (Where a hybrid (mix of justice and health) system is in place, please refer which budget covers the public hospital expenditure - Ministry of Health/Ministry of Justice)		
<b>8.3. ... inmates with chronic, progressive diseases?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe. (Where a hybrid (mix of justice and health) system is in place, please refer which budget covers the public hospital expenditure - Ministry of Health/Ministry of Justice)		
<b>8.4. ...terminally ill inmates?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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If yes, please describe. (Where a hybrid (mix of justice and health) system is in place, please refer which budget covers the public hospital expenditure - Ministry of Health/Ministry of Justice)

**9. Does your prison system has a telemedicine programme and infrastructure in place?**

Yes	No
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**If yes, please describe how the system works:**

(e.g. between prison and prison hospital or other hospitals so that specialists can assist; connecting doctors in the different prisons; connecting a nurse in the prison with doctors in a hospital; allowing diagnosis in the prison through sharing health data, image, etc.):

**10. While preparing for release and to ensure continuity of care, are inmates with specific needs referred to external health providers (including hospitals, health centers or other) specialized in ...**

	Yes	No
<b>10.1. ...mental health care?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe:		
<b>10.2. ...the care of the elderly?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe:		
<b>10.3. ...the care of chronic, progressive illnesses?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe:		
<b>10.4. ...end of life care?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please describe:		

## **E. Statistical data**

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**11. Please share the most recent available annual data from your country on the following topics:**

	2001		2004		2007		2010		2013		2016	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
<b>11.1.</b> Total Prison population (including pre-trial detainees / remand prisoners)												
<b>11.2.</b> Number of inmates aged 50 or more												
<b>11.3.</b> Number of inmates aged 50 or more with more than 5 years to accomplish their sentence												
<b>11.4.</b> Number of inmates diagnosed by psychiatric evaluation with mental health problems <sup>1</sup> (excluding the not criminally responsible)												
<b>11.5.</b> Number of inmates with mental health problems receiving psychiatric care (excluding the not criminally responsible)												
<b>11.6.</b> Number of inmates not criminally responsible by reason of mental disorder												
<b>11.7.</b> Number of deaths in prison												
<b>11.8.</b> Number of suicides in prison												
<b>11.9.</b> Number of inmates with diagnosed chronic/medical illness												
<b>11.10.</b> Number of inmates receiving medical end of life care												
<b>11.11.</b> Number of inmates that benefited from a compassionate release, or any similar legal mechanism to release inmates with terminal illnesses												
<b>11.12.</b> Number of medical doctors working in the prison service (FTE <sup>2</sup> )												

<sup>1</sup> As diagnosed by mental health professionals.

<sup>2</sup> Full time equivalents.

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<b>11.13.</b> Number of nurses working in the prison service (FTE <sup>3</sup> )																				
<b>11.14.</b> Annual health expenditure of the prison service																				
<b>11.15.</b> Annual expenditure on medicines (% of overall budget)																				
<b>11.16.</b> Annual expenditure on mental health related medicines (% of budget)																				
<b>11.17.</b> Annual expenditure on medical treatments (% of budget)																				
<b>11.18.</b> Annual expenditure with elderly related treatments and medicine																				
<b>11.19.</b> Annual expenditure with terminal ill inmates (% of budget)																				

**Thank you for your time and cooperation!**

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