

CARS

**A Mental Health and
Learning Disability
Service in Police
Stations, Courts and
other Criminal Justice
Settings**

You matter, we care

What do we do?

We support people with mental health problems and learning disabilities, who are in trouble with the police.

But if you already have support for a mental health problem or a learning disability, we may still be able to help you.

Who are we?

Our team is made up of registered mental health and learning disability nurses, recovery support workers, occupational therapists and social workers.

When are we open?



We can be contacted for help at any time.

Where do we work?



We work in police stations and courts in Bristol, Wiltshire, North Somerset, South Gloucestershire and Bath.

Do you have to see us?

No, you don't have to see us.

But if you do, we will try to help you work out what your difficulties are.

What will happen if you see us?



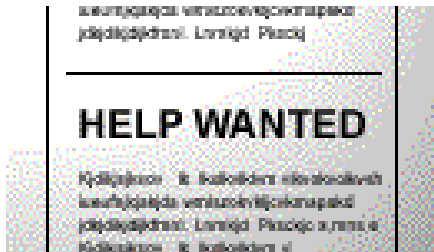
We will talk and listen to you.

We will try to understand you.

We will talk to people who know you or support you.

We may look at reports about you

What will we do?



We may write a report to let the police or the court know what is going on for you now. This can help them to decide what happens next.

We may suggest that it would be useful for you to go to hospital or have extra support.

We may say that you will need someone to help you to understand what happens in the police station or at court.

How can we help?

Sometimes people need extra help in their day to day lives. This may be help with:

- mental health problems
- learning disability
- physical health
- drug or alcohol problems
- how you feel
- sorting out where you live
- keeping you or other people safe



We can help you find the right people to give you the support you need.

You can get help even if you go to prison.

Who can ask us to help you?



You can ask us.

Your family can ask us.

Any of these people can ask us.

- police
- solicitors
- court staff
- magistrates
- judges
- custody staff

- probation officers
- mental health staff
- learning disability staff

How do you contact your local Criminal Justice Liaison Team?



You can telephone us:
0117 354 6300



You can write to us:

Criminal Justice Liaison Team
Suite 4, Corum 2
Corum Park, Warmley
Bristol
BS30 8FJ



You can email us:
awp.CARSTeam@nhs.net

To find out more about our Mental Health Trust
you can look up www.awp.nhs.uk on the
computer.

Worries or concerns?



If you are unhappy or worried about your care, or someone else's care, you can contact the Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS)

- You can telephone PALS on:
0800 073 1778 or 01249 468 261
- You can email PALS at: awp.pals@nhs.net
- You can write to PALS at:
**AWP PALS, Jenner House, Langley Park,
Chippenham SN1 1GG**

PALS can give you this leaflet in a larger print, on a tape, or in a different language. Please ask if you would like one of these.

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