

Services and Programs in Corrective Services New South Wales

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How does a person come into the care of CSNSW?

When an accused person appears in court or before the State Parole Authority in NSW, the court or authority may direct CSNSW to provide assessment, custody or supervision. This includes people who are:

- **remanded** to custody
- serving **custodial sentences** of imprisonment by way of
 - full time detention
 - intensive correction in the community
 - home detention,
 - compulsory drug treatment detention
- appearing for decisions around conditional release to community on **parole order**
- serving **non custodial alternatives** of community service work, good behaviour
- bonds, and suspended sentences under the *NSW Crimes (Sentencing Procedures) Act 1999* and *NSW Crimes (Administration of Sentences) Act 1999*
- serving **continuing detention and extended supervision orders** according to the *Crimes (Serious Sex Offenders) Act 2006*

The accused or convicted person is taken into custody or allocated to a 'Supervising Officer' in the community.

This direction of the court triggers a duty of care on the part of CSNSW in which the agency is guided by legislation and by government policy.

What is CSNSW obliged to do by law and government policy?

Legislation

- a. Bail Act
- b. Crimes (administration of Sentences) Act...
- c. Crimes (Sentencing Procedures) Act
- d. Crimes (Serious Sex Offenders) Act

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- *Section 20, 32, 50 of the NSW Bail Act 1978*
- *Sections 21, 41, 54, 109, 181, 241, 242, 311, 312 of the NSW Criminal Procedure Act 1986*
- *NSW Crimes (Sentencing Procedures) Act 1999 and NSW Crimes (Administration of Sentences) Act 1999*
- *Crimes (Serious Sex Offenders) Act 2006*

CSNSW translates this into practice in its Statement of Purpose and its planned results.

What results does CSNSW set out to achieve?

The CSNSW Statement of Purpose is to deliver professional correctional services to reduce re-offending and enhance community safety. CSNSW provides custodial and community-based services as an important element of the criminal justice system, including:

- Correctional centre custody of remand and sentenced inmates;

- Intensive Corrections Orders
- Home detention;
- Parole;
- Community service orders and other forms of community-based offender supervision;
- Pre-sentence reports and advice to courts and releasing authorities.

Offenders in custody and those supervised in the community are assessed for relevant interventions to reduce their risks of re-offending. CSNSW works in partnership with other government and non-government justice, health and human services agencies in regard to inmates in custody and offenders in the community.

CSNSW Planned Results are therefore:

- Reduced risk of re-offending;
- Safe, secure and humane management of offenders;
- Community support and successful re-integration;
- Effective corporate governance, systems and resource management.

Offender management

The **Offender Management & Operations Branch** of CSNSW, under the Deputy Commissioner Offender Management & Operations, has the following priorities to achieve these results:

- Management of correctional centre and escort security;
- Achieving safe custodial environments;
- Meeting the care needs of those in custody;
- Promoting participation in correctional programs;
- Providing the Courts and State Parole Authority with timely and accurate information;
- Pursuing further development of diversionary programs;
- Supervising offenders in the community while working towards successful order completion;
- Promoting successful re-settlement through partnerships with other agencies and community groups.