

Funded Partnership Initiative

Extended Reintegration Service (ERS)

The Extended Reintegration Service (ERS) is a Transitional Support Service that provides post-release accommodation and cross-agency casework support to medium/high – high risk offenders.

- Service providers work in collaboration with Community Corrections to link offenders to services that address needs identified in their case plan, working together to reduce the risk of re-offending, including accommodation support, AOD services support, mental health services, recreation/leisure activities, parenting activities, navigating Centrelink services, assistance with debt reduction, access to education/support, job search skills development, ATSI/CALD cultural support, transport assistance and development of family/household management skills.
- Support for up to 12 months including up to 3 months' pre-release engagement and up to 9 months' post-release support.

Provider	Catchment Area
Community Restorative Centre (CRC)	Liverpool
	Bankstown
	Fairfield

Where is ERS Available?

What are the eligibility criteria?

- ✓ A medium/high high risk of re-offending on the LSIR.
- ✓ Subject to supervised parole order of 9 months or more.
- A lack of suitable accommodation (homeless or at risk of) and eligible for social housing.
- The offender has a mental health diagnosis, brain injury or intellectual disability needing ongoing community mental health support, dual diagnosis to be prioritised over singular disorder or cognitive impairment.
- ✓ The offender has a history of drug and/or alcohol dependence
- ✓ Consent given by participant and willing to reside in the catchment area(s).

 ERS is not available to clients whose support needs are not expected to be resolved within the first 9 months following release.

How can I refer an offender to this service?

- ✓ Referrals to be made at the pre-release stage from Community Corrections.
- ✓ Complete the ERS referral form (on the CSNSW PACE intranet)
- ✓ Contact the Gatekeeper to discuss referral/eligibility. (Currently located at Bankstown Community Corrections)

Who is a Gatekeeper?

Gatekeeper is the person in the Community Corrections office who inputs referrals and manages the waitlist for the FPI service.

For more information you can visit the Partnership and Community Engagement Unit (PACE) intranet page: <u>PACE Intranet</u>