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Protocols and Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) have been developed between the National Police Chiefs Council and relevant other bodies to address criminality in prisons. These include:

- NOMS (2019) The Appropriate Handling of Crimes in Prisons. Protocol between National Offender Management Service, Association of Chief Police Officers and Crown Prosecution Service
- HMPPS (2019) Memorandum of Understanding: An agreement between Her Majesty's
  Prison and Probation Service and the National Police Chiefs' Council regarding corruption in prisons and probation

## Additional advice includes:

- HM Prison and Probation Service (n.d.) Guidance Toolkit Version 2; Police support to
  Prisons, and the Crime in Prison process (Restricted access requires login to College Learn)
- Investigating Deaths in Prisons
- The Interviewing of Suspects who have allegedly Assaulted Prison Officers in Prison Establishments (Public and Private) which are situated in other Force areas
- NOMS (2015) Commencement of Legislation: Possession of Offensive Weapons in Prison
- NOMS (2015) Commencement of Section 79: Offence of throwing articles into prisons

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