



Why Should Correctional Health Care Matter to You?

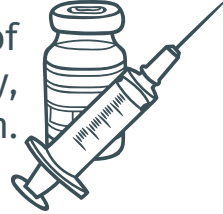
How to Use a New RFP Toolkit to Improve Outcomes

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U.S. correctional & detention institutions serve **over 7 million people** annually.



This is a **medically complex population** with higher rates of diseases, mental illness, substance use, trauma, brain injury, and other disabilities than the general population.



Unmet health & behavioral health needs may contribute to **criminal justice system involvement**.

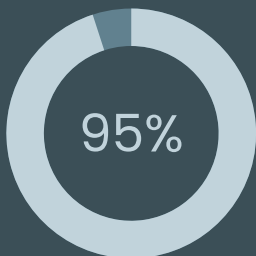
Most jails and prisons outsource care using an RFP (solicitation for bids) as a blueprint for the contract.

The detail and accuracy of the RFP and the process for selecting a vendor are critical to the long-term success of the healthcare program.



Potential Benefits of Improving Healthcare Contracts:

- 1 Provide **better medical, mental health, & substance use care** in facilities
- 2 Increase **safety & decrease lawsuits** due to medical negligence
- 3 Reduce **preventable & facility-attributable deaths**
- 4 Enhance **cost efficiencies** through clear expectations to potential vendors
- 5 Improve **provider accountability** through performance measure and outcomes
- 6 Increase **medication consistency & connection to community-based care**
- 7 Reduce **unnecessary & costly post-release health services** such as ER use
- 8 Decrease **risk of drug overdoses**
- 9 Reduce **racial disparities** in public health & access to care
- 10 Reduce potential **re-cycling through the CJS** due to unmet health needs



of incarcerated people return to their communities

PRA's open-source *Toolkit for Writing an RFP to Contract for Healthcare Services in a Correctional or Detention Institution* guides facilities through the process of:

- Determining your best model of health care
- Preparing for, drafting, and issuing your RFP
- Moving from RFP to contract signing
- Managing your contract & amendments

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