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Beyond bars: Scotland's Prison Service has worked with public health officials to find out how best to handle mental health problems from anxiety to psychosis.

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**Abstract:**

Reports on a joint project by the Scottish Prison Service and the Scottish Public Health Network to deliver a mental health patient pathway for prisoners. The research was based on interviews with prisoners and prison staff, discussions with prison mental health teams and a literature review, and was overseen by an advisory board. Areas of good practice were identified and examined. The resulting document identifies eight steps which comprise the pathway for supporting prisoners experiencing emotional distress of mental health problems.