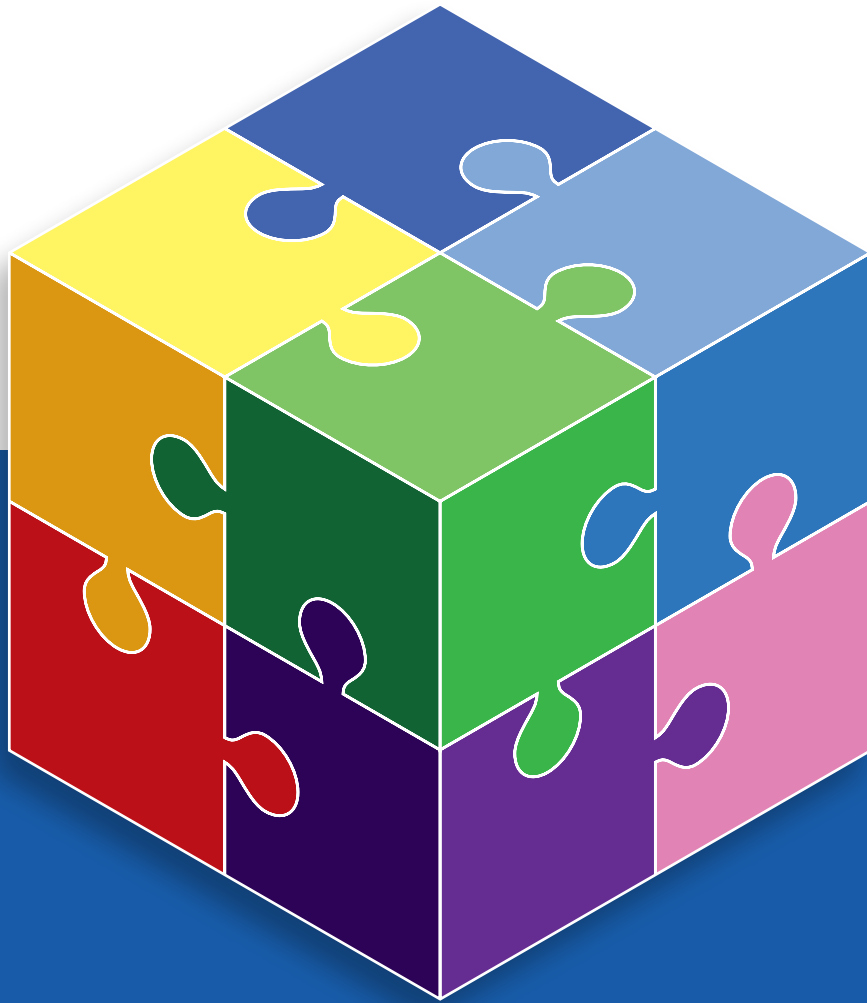




AIM

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Aiming to reduce suicide and self-harm in prisons



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There are more than

11 million

individuals currently imprisoned world-wide (Fair & Walmsley, ICPR 2021)

Annual prevalence of self-harm in prison has been estimated to be

 **5-6%**
in men

 **20-24%**
in women

(Hawton, Linsell, Adeniji, Sariaslan, Fazal, 2014)

There were

14,007


self-harm incidents

(Prisons in England and Wales in April – June 2021)


An increase of

 **16%**
on the previous quarter

comprising of an

 **8%**
increase in male establishments

and a

 **47%**
increase in female establishments

(Safety in Custody Statistics, England and Wales: Deaths in Prison Custody to September 2021, Assaults and Self-harm to June 2021)

Unilink's AIM is an analytical tool that provides operational prison staff an alternative lens to consider prisoner wellbeing and safety across their prison population.

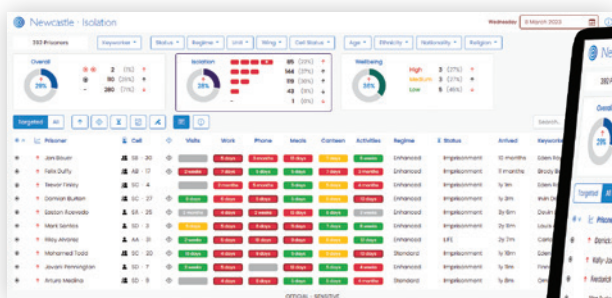
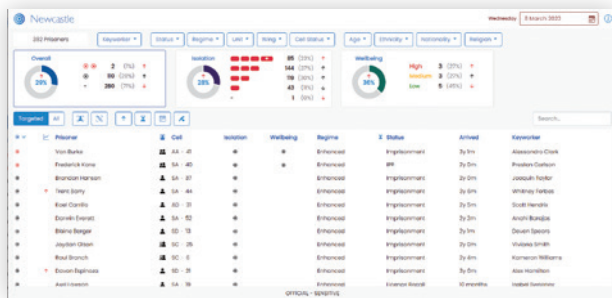
This innovative web application, based on a proof of concept used in Serco Prisons, is aligned to the evidence base for prison suicide and self-injurious behaviours and has evolved into a multiagency collaboration with other prison operators (G4S & Sodexo).

AIM analyses data collected from prisoner's self-service interactions: dynamic factors such as visits, phone use, shop, work, education or other purposeful activities, data collected from various prisoner questionnaires and proven static factors identified from empirical research (i.e. age or previous self-harm). Any deviation in an individual's daily routine is identified and represented on a scale from low to high through intuitive traffic light indicators with red signalling a need for intervention.

The data is presented in configurable dashboards showing population trends, targeted lists of those at heightened risk, filters to pivot between isolation or wellbeing aspects as well as graphs of prisoners' behaviours longitudinally across their prison stay.

Benefits & Features

- Designed to help reduce incidents of suicide and self-harm in custody, closely aligned to current safer prison & ACCT processes
- One application that provides an analytical lens to a variety of aspects that can affect a prisoner's vulnerability, thus helping prisons to focus on prisoner wellbeing and safety
- Provides insights into a person's daily routine and circumstances by daily analysing prisoner's individual pattern of regular activity, highlighting any deviations to help recognising the need for interventions
- Enables the discovery of recurring periods of higher risk by year on year behaviour analysis around significant life events (eg. birthdays/ anniversaries) to pre-empt periods of vulnerability
- Highly configurable application designed to meet the needs of each individual prison and prisoner, fully customisable so that each aspect can be considered relative to a particular establishment
- Bespoke interoperable dashboards flag the most pertinent data for analysis with switchable filters to allow users to pivot between different aspects ie. isolation or wellbeing
- Operational dashboards provide a view of analysis relating the whole population on any given day or filter to view prisoners in particular cohorts, for example by age range, nationality, location etc.
- Ability to monitor different trends across an establishment or target lists of people who may be at heightened risk, whilst individual dashboard can be used to assess prisoner's behaviours longitudinally across their whole stay





“One in ten self-inflicted deaths in prison occur within two days of arrival. Around a fifth occur in the first week and almost 40 per cent within a month. Each death has a huge impact on the people left behind - in the person's family and the prison... We believe that more emphasis must be placed on the settlement of that individual into prison life.”

HM Chief Inspector of Prisons

About Unilink

Unilink, an award-winning international company established in 1994, is the leading provider of state-of-the-art integrated solutions for the Corrections, Justice, and Immigration sectors. With over two hundred staff today we are investing in a vision for the future that builds on years of experience, knowledge and expertise from specialising in these sectors.

Our proven technology is at the forefront of the digital transformation journey with a rich portfolio of solutions built in close collaboration with correctional professionals and international subject-matter experts. Unilink's proven solutions already implemented in an extensive customer base help prison, probation and immigration services across the world achieve their goals.

We continuously invest in enhancing our solutions portfolio to support all aspects of managing offenders in prisons and in the community and has pioneered many award-winning innovations.

Unilink's unique knowledge and experience of the correctional domain along with its rich portfolio of proven solutions underpins digital transformation in prison and probation services across the UK, Europe, Australia and New Zealand.

Unilink won the King's Award for International Trade in 2023.

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