

.....

C/- ACT Council of Social Service (ACTCOSS)  
PO Box 849  
MAWSON ACT 2607

# Community Coalition on Corrections

6 February 2009

Mr John Hargreaves  
Minister for Corrections  
GPO Box 1020  
CANBERRA, ACT 2601

Dear Mr Hargreaves,

The Corrections Coalition has long been concerned that community services need to be co-ordinated to ensure the Government's objectives for the new prison of rehabilitation are met. We are greatly encouraged by your own personal interest and commitment to this need with a focus on the restoration of the hurt that crime represents.

Since the achievement of this objective involves the co-ordination of after care and other services beyond the responsibility of Corrections, we have sent the attached letter to the Chief Minister. We have also forwarded a copy to the Minister for Health given the central importance in this context of her responsibility for the Adult Corrections Health Services Plan and the particular importance of a coordinated policy response to cope with the very high level of mental health and substance abuse needs among the detainee population.

Yours sincerely,

(John Ley)  
Chair  
6254 6018/john\_ley@apex.net.au

.....

[www.correctionscoalitionact.org.au](http://www.correctionscoalitionact.org.au)