

## **Exit Strategy for the Provision of Transitional Care Services**

### **The Aim:**

The aim of the following paper is to inform staff / partner agencies of the proposed exit strategy for winding down and exiting the current Cranstoun Drug Services / SPS contract for Transitional Care. This is to ensure least disruption for the client group and Transitional Care staff.

### **Exit Strategy: for contract end dates 31<sup>st</sup> March 2005 and 31<sup>st</sup> July 2005**

The date for termination of the current contract is 31<sup>st</sup> March 2005. There is an extension of 4 months until 31<sup>st</sup> July 2005 for those partner agencies who have notified us of their intention to accept the extension.

For those partner agencies exiting the contract at the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2005 the following will apply:

The final date for receiving referrals from Caseworkers will be 31<sup>st</sup> December 2004

In order that the client group will continue to receive a service from the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2005 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2005 at termination of contract you will provide a signposting service in conjunction with Cranstoun Drug Services Casework staff. This will involve making referrals to third party agencies e.g. Community Addiction Teams, Health Care, Social Services, Community Agencies.

Cranstoun Drug Services in conjunction with their partners in Transitional Care will look at providing information to clients of services that are available in their area providing support. This will continue to be provided by Cranstoun Drug Services until the National Addiction Throughcare Service is available or until 31<sup>st</sup> July 2005 whichever comes first.

All Transitional Care paperwork should be returned to Elaine Paterson by 25<sup>th</sup> March 2005.

Cranstoun Drug Services will make a final payment for services by the 30<sup>th</sup> April 2005, providing all paperwork (including Transitional Care Logs) has been submitted to support the claim.

For those partner agencies providing services during the extension period until 31<sup>st</sup> July the following applies:

The final date for receiving referrals from caseworkers will be 30<sup>th</sup> April 2005

In order that the client group will continue to receive a service from the 1<sup>st</sup> May 2005 to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2005 at termination of the extension to the current contract a signposting service will be provided in conjunction with Cranstoun Drug Services Casework staff. This will involve making referrals to third party agencies e.g. Community Addiction Teams, Health Care, Social Services, Community Agencies.

Cranstoun Drug Services in conjunction with their partners in Transitional Care will look at providing information to clients of services that are available in their area providing support. This will be provided by Cranstoun Drug Services until 31<sup>st</sup> July 2005 or until the National Addiction Throughcare Service is available whichever comes first.

All Transitional Care paperwork should be returned to Elaine Paterson by 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2005.

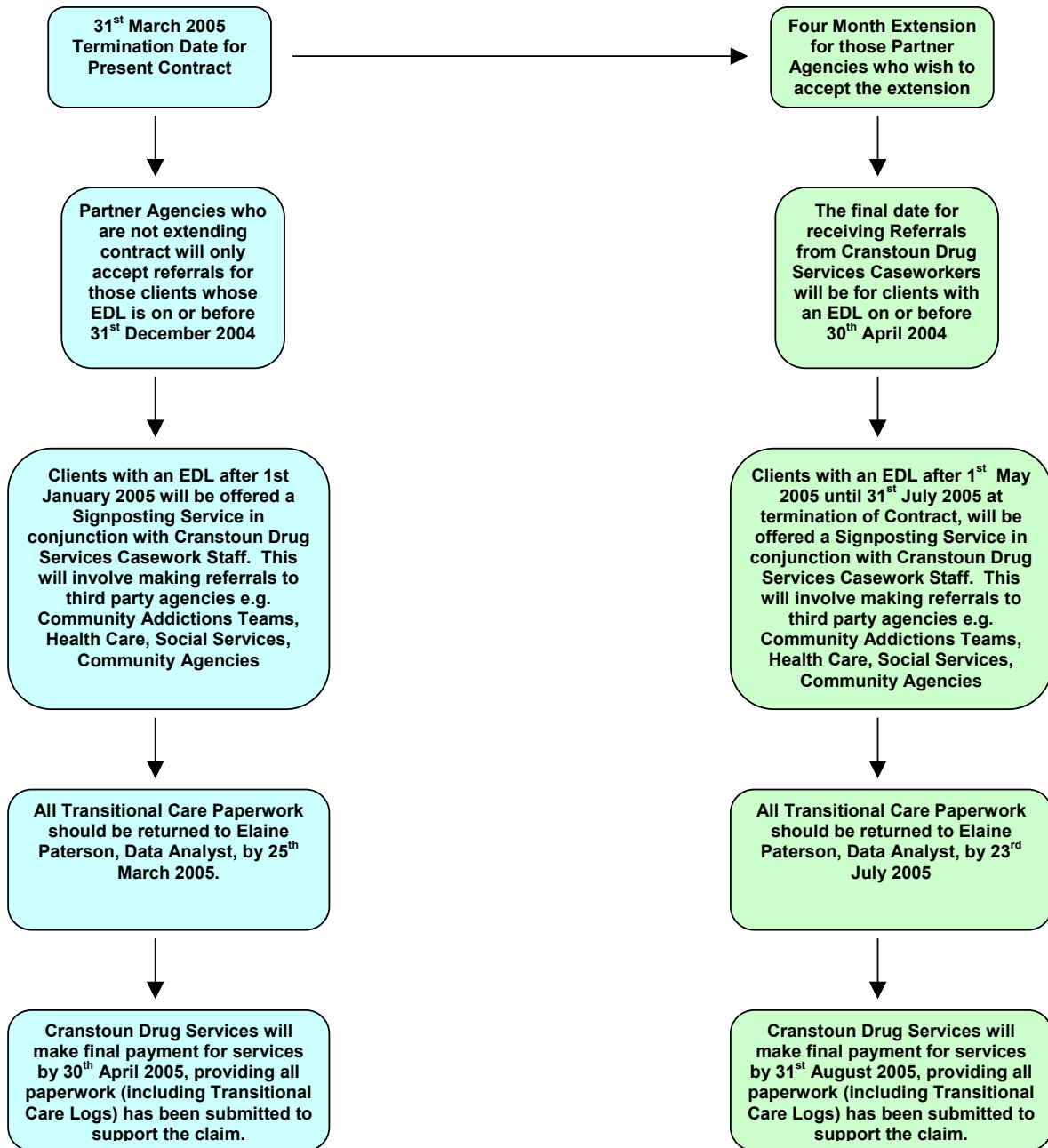
Cranstoun Drug Services will make a final payment for services by the 31<sup>st</sup> August 2005, providing all paperwork (including Transitional Care Logs) has been submitted to support the claim.

It is imperative that we look to provide a service for our client group but inevitably there may be a break in service due to the National Addiction Throughcare Service being unavailable by the proposed start date. In this instance we will endeavour to support our client group by way of signposting.

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