

# On TRACC

Helping parolees re-integrate into the community

**The On TRACC (Transition Reintegration and Community Connection) program aims to support parolees to reintegrate successfully into the community and reduce re-offending.**

**On TRACC will work with up to 3,900 parolees over five years. The program is jointly delivered by the Australian Community Support Organisation (ACSO) and arbias in partnership with Corrective Services NSW. The program provides participating parolees with enhanced support and referral services for up to 12 months following their release.**

## **Background**

Nearly 40,000 people are in prison in Australia. In the first three months after being released from prison, a parolee is two-and-a-half times more likely to re-offend than in the nine to 12 months after being released.

Cycles of re-offending perpetuate poor outcomes for people who have been in prison including:

- » low employment levels
- » unstable housing or homelessness
- » continued interaction with the justice system.

Each of these poor outcomes creates long-term costs for government.

## **Outcome measurement**

The key outcome measure for On TRACC is a reduction in the re-incarceration rate of participating parolees in the 12 months after their release. The NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR) will compare this rate for participants to a randomly selected control group. Outcome measurements will be taken throughout the investment.

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## Performance

On TRACC began in September 2016. Implementation of the program is progressing well, and initial results are expected to be available early 2019.

## Investment type: Payment by Results

### Term:

5 years (starting in September 2016)

### Parties:

- » Service providers — Australian Community Support Organisation (ACSO) and arbias
- » NSW Government agency — Corrective Services NSW
- » Investors — ACSO and National Australia Bank (NAB)

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