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# SURVEY OUTCOMES

Using questions based on the AQ10 we established that:

21/01/2013 – 20% of 479 prisoners Screened scored 6 – 10.

22/01/2013 – 15/02/2013 61 new receptions screened, 21%  
scored 6 – 10.

Between April 2013 – March 2014 824 prisoners screened, 98  
scored 6 – 10 (12%).

Nationally it is believed that 7% of prison population are on  
the Autistic Spectrum.



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# AWARENESS TRAINING

- Prioritising staff identified in critical contact area's
- 26/03/2013 - Autism Bedford ran 1 day course, attended by 11 staff.
- 27/02/2015 & 26/032015 - Attended train the trainer course run by Autism Bedford.
- 17/02/2015 – 2 Hour awareness session run, attended by 14 staff.
- April each year awareness days held in gate area with leaflets and handouts.



## THE FUTURE?

- ❖ The intention is to have all staff attending the awareness training.
- ❖ To be able to screen all new receptions and record their scores.
- ❖ To forge links with outside agencies to enable referrals to be made.

# ? QUESTIONS ?



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