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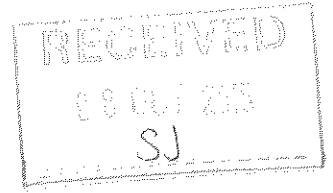
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Miss Stephanie Haskey  
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Dear Miss Haskey

Further to the Regulation 28 Report to Prevent Future Deaths (PFD) Letter, issued on 14 July 2015 following the inquest of Emma Carpenter, I would like to apologise for the delay in our response to you. While we had no involvement in this case, we have been requested through this PFD to engage with the Eating Disorder Service provided by Nottinghamshire Healthcare Trust.

I wish to confirm that this Trust has communicated formally to Nottinghamshire Health Care Foundation Trust, to understand how we can support patients from the Bassetlaw area whilst receiving treatment in Thorneywood Adolescent Unit. We offered a formal service level agreement and a named consultant to be the link to the service.

The response from [REDACTED], Deputy Director Local Services Division at Nottinghamshire Healthcare Trust was:

*"Thank you for your letter of 20th July 2015 regarding the Regulation 28. Following our conversation, we cannot anticipate any regular requirement from Doncaster and Bassetlaw Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust to provide paediatric support at Thorneywood Adolescent Unit. I am sure it would be adequate to agree any paediatric advice on a case by case basis should this ever be required. Please do get back to me if you need anything else."*

We have an identified Consultant and will actively engage with the services provided by Nottinghamshire Healthcare Trust as the need arises and will monitor these arrangements through the paediatric clinical governance team.

As a Trust we are committed to improving our services and working actively with other provider organisations in the health community.

Yours sincerely

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Medical Director