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HM Senior Coroner Ms J. Kearsley
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Phoenix Centre
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1st March 2019

Dear Ms Kearsley

**Re: Mohammed Saeed-Alim formerly known as Nicky Reilly (Deceased) Regulation 28 Report
GMMH Response**

Further to your email highlighting your concerns following Mr Nicky Reilly's Inquest please see below the Trust's response to this concerns:

1. Complete Separation of the Mental Health In-Reach Team and Psychology Team

- **When a prisoner is receiving both Mental Health input and Psychological input within a prison, there should be access to the patient's mental health records in order for each service to have a clear understanding of the patient's clinical presentations and need. Having access to the totality of the information should then assist in appropriately assessing a patients risk to self and others.**

Where a prisoner is receiving input from the prison psychology team access to the NHS record can be requested by the psychologist responsible for delivering that input to the patient, subject to the normal consent being given. The prison psychology team have been informed of how they can gain access to the patient's clinical record.

Where such access is given, it is expected that the psychologist will document their involvement with the patient in the clinical record, to inform the multi-disciplinary healthcare team of the input that is being provided. Psychology access to the system will allow them to see the current package of care that is being delivered by medical and mental health services.



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An audit of psychology access to the system, patients viewed and documented entries made, will be conducted by the Head of Healthcare.

Mental Health and psychology staff now attend the weekly Complex Case meetings, which are minuted, where those prisoners with complex needs are reviewed by the multi-disciplinary team. This allows a multi-disciplinary approach to care planning and a forum for the sharing of information.

HMP Manchester has just received funding from NHS England from the 1st April 2019, to increase mental health services within the prison. Part of this funding will be used to fund a psychologist, employed by Greater Manchester Mental Health Trust, to provide psychologically informed, evidence based specialist support for all those assessed as requiring interventions to address mental health, personality disorder, and support for individuals with learning disabilities. As a GMMH employee this psychologist will be expected to document all patient interactions within the patient's system clinical records.

2. Medication Refusals

- **The Court heard evidence as to the lack of action taken by staff following NR's refusal of medication. The Court heard the process which should happen but this is not clearly documented in one policy which covers the situation for both weekdays and also weekends. There remains a risk particularly at a weekend that an appropriate escalation process would not be actioned is proposed.**

The guidance document for staff, for patients who are non-concordant with medication, has been rewritten. This guidance document now makes reference to the actions staff should take if a patient misses critical medication during the weekend as well as during the week. This document was circulated to all staff in December 2018 and has been added to the Trust Health and Justice Intranet for all staff to view.

Ms Kearsley, I hope you and Mr Reilly's family are satisfied with the response we have provided. If you have any further questions in relation to the contents of this letter, please do let me know.

Yours Sincerely

Dr Chris Daly
Medical Director



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