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Mr Z Siddique HM Senior Coroner Black Country Coroner's Court Jack Judge House Halesowen Street Oldbury West Midlands B69 2AJ

Dear Mr Siddique

## *Ref: Peter Lawrence Inquest 3 June 2019 Regulation 28: Report To Prevent Future Deaths – Dudley and Walsall Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust ("The Trust") Response.*

I write further to the inquest held in relation to Peter Lawrence and your Regulation 28 Report to the Trust dated 1 July 2019. I understand that the confirmed deadline for the Trust's response is Monday 16 September 2019.

In addition to the work carried out to implement the recommendations arising from the Trust's RCA Investigation Report, upon which you heard oral evidence at the inquest, both the Trust and Walsall Council have been working closely together in order to formulate an approach to address the concerns contained within your Regulation 28 Report.

I would, first of all, like to express my sincere condolences to Peter's family for their loss and to assure them that the Trust working in conjunction with the Local Authority are fully committed to providing excellent mental health care to the service users of Dudley and Walsall in a way which is safe and effective for patients and their families.

The Trust has in conjunction with Walsall Council formulated a further joint action plan to ensure that policies and procedures relating to multidisciplinary/agency care plans and risk assessments meet the needs of community patients with complex needs and that a multi- agency working approach is reinforced going forward.

I do hope that the proposed actions detailed in the attached plan address the areas of concern outlined within your Regulation 28 Report to the Trust. However should you need any further clarity or explanation regarding the same please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Mark Axcell Chief Executive Officer