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Fylde and Wyre Clinical Commissioning Group**

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Dear Mr Wilson

Thank you for asking the CCG to comment on the Regulation 28 report following the untimely death of Coral O'Donnell on the 17th May 2019, as a consequence of an infection caused by Panton Valentine Leukocidin Staphylococcus Aureus (PVL-SA).

Your comments express concerns about the lack of awareness of PVL-SA in both primary and secondary care medical colleagues. You quite rightly point out that Public Health England have produced guidance on the diagnosis and management of PVL-SA but, unfortunately, awareness of this guidance is limited amongst medical professionals.

Given the implications this poses to the ongoing treatment of patients across the Fylde coast I have already undertaken the following actions:

1. The matter has been discussed at our regular GP teleconference which takes place currently every fortnight to which all GPs across the Fylde Coast are invited.
2. I have arranged for information to also be circulated via our regular CCG bulletin to general practitioners, (sent weekly to all GPs). Our out of hours providers, FCMS are also copied into this bulletin. For your records, a copy of the bulletin is enclosed with this letter. As you will note we have directly referenced the information produced by Public Health England.

I have also noted that patient microbiology reports from our colleagues at Blackpool Teaching Hospitals now contain a message to be aware of PVL-SA when a result has revealed a Staphylococcus organism.

I trust this information and actions meet with your approval. The CCG would welcome any other comments you may have on the matter.

With kind regards.

Yours sincerely



**Executive Clinical Director
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