

Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust

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Mrs Emma Brown Area Coroner for Birmingham and Solihull, Steelhouse Lane, BIRMINGHAM B4 6BJ

Dear Mrs Brown,

RE: Prevention of Future Deaths Report for Jai Singh Puni (deceased)

Further to the Prevention of Future deaths report dated 15 March 2023, the Trust has now had an opportunity to review the Matters of Concern raised. I would like to begin by offering my sincere condolences to the family of Mr Puni for his very sad loss. As a Trust we have taken your concerns very seriously and have aimed to act on these issues as quickly as possible to ensure lessons are learned to benefit other patients in the future. I will respond to each issue in turn.

1. The mental health team multi-disciplinary team (MDT) does not include a psychiatrist.

The Trust has begun a 3 month pilot which will ensure a Consultant Psychiatrist attends the MDT meetings at the Prison each week. The Secure Care and Offender Health Clinical Governance Committee (CGC) will review the outcomes for the pilot after 3 months, to ascertain if this is clinically beneficial to patients. Our primary aim is to ensure that our patients receive the best care at the right time and this pilot will ensure that this review takes place.

2. The absence of any ongoing risk assessment documentation for patients with mental illness within the SystemOne records at HMP Birmingham.

The Trust is restricted to what it can change on SystemOne due to it being the national software used in prisons. We are however meeting with the software company on 27 April 2023 to discuss the concerns raised within the PFD. Any changes to be made at a national level by SystemOne may take some time. Consequently the Trust has looked to how it will be able introduce risk assessment documentation into the system and ensure that Trust staff complete this in the interim.





A risk assessment has been added to the System One software that is accessible for the Trust staff only. This will be rolled out to staff with a dissemination plan, which is attached. The plan includes a practice alert and a Standard Operating Procedure to be sent to all clinical staff. This has now taken place. This will set out the requirements for the risk assessments to be completed. This will ensure that going forward all patients will receive a risk assessment when one is necessary. The roll out of this will be complete by 20 May 2023.

I hope that we have been able to provide you with reassurance that we have taken action in regard to the concerns that you have raised, to ensure continuous improvement in the care we provide to our patients.

Yours sincerely,



Chief Executive Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust