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Hospital & Community Care

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Coroners Court of Victoria
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Court Reference: COR 2013 003708
Recommendation 1.

The coroner's recommendation was implemented prior to receipt of the coroner's finding.

A Case Review was undertaken in July 2014 and presented to relevant organisational governance committees in September, 2014.

Changes arising from this review included:

- Extension of organisational Case Review program to include all inpatient transfers to higher level of care
- Revision of internal documentation
  - Nursing Care Plan & Clinical Documentation Policy
- Improved handover procedure to ensure matters requiring GP/VMO assessment are confirmed at each shift handover
- Introduced strategies to minimise the adverse effects of infection control isolation requirements.

Learnings arising from the Coroner's Prevention Unit Advice (received July, 2015) were summarised, de-identified and presented to nursing and medical practitioners in September, 2015.

I trust these initiatives satisfy the coroner's recommendation and will enhance the clinical management of patients suspected or confirmed as suffering from Clostridium difficile infection.

Sincerely,

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Director of Medical Services.

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