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Broadmeadows Health Service  
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Dear Sir

**Case no: 4013/09**

**Coronial investigation into the death of Mark Connolly – Response to findings**

Further to my letter dated 25 January 2012, which outlined Melbourne Health, NorthWestern Mental Health and Mid West Area Mental Health Service (collectively, Melbourne Health) response to the Coronial recommendations that were delivered on 2 December 2011.

I wish to inform you that the Melbourne Health has completed the scope of works, which included:

- modifications to the to the courtyard fence in the Low Dependency Unit ( LDU) of the Sunshine Adult Acute Psychiatry Unit (SAAPU) which extended the height of the perimeter fence by 1.2 metres, and building infill above the 2 side gates
- modifications to secondary egress points within the courtyard of the Low Dependency Unit which included building an infill in the openings between the timber beams underneath the veranda and installing colour bond down pipe covers.

I have included both before and after photos as evidence of the works undertaken.

If you require any additional information do not hesitate to contact me on 942 8765.

Yours sincerely

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**Acting Executive Director**  
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*Please respond with thanks and file*  
*PW.*  
*17.5.12*

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