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Inspection Manager
Hospitals; Mental Health
(Central West) Central Region

30th October 2023

Your reference: RGP1-10053519614
Account number: RXT

Dear XXXXRedactedXXXX

**Re: Care Quality Commission
Health and Social Care Act 2008
Notice of decision to impose conditions on your registration as a service provider in
respect of regulated activities.
Reporting schedule**

Condition 3 - Commencing from 5 February 2021 the registered provider must report to the Commission on a monthly basis setting out progress being made in respect of and including mitigating measures being put in place until all ligature risks are addressed.

Condition 5 - Commencing from 1 March 2021, the Registered Provider must report to the Commission on a monthly basis the results of any monitoring data and audits undertaken that provide assurance that the system implemented is effective.

As per our monthly monitoring meeting held on May 15th, where we discussed the Section 31 Notice and other items, it was agreed that we submit a summary position rather than a full update on our progress as we have been doing previously. In our subsequent engagement meeting on June 20th, the CQC advised the Trust to continue to submit this summary until a management review meeting is held by the CQC, where a final decision will be made regarding the Section 31 notice. We understand that this meeting has now taken place and we have now been advised to continue with this summary submission until an inspection takes place to review the conditions.

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In our engagement meeting on August 31st, we asked for further direction with regard to ongoing monthly submissions and were advised that an inspection would take place imminently and, in the meantime, the CQC would let us know whether these needed to continue. This action was noted in the action log for that meeting. Unfortunately, we did not make a submission for October while we awaited this further update.

In our most recent engagement meeting on October 12th, the CQC advised that it was best that we continued with monthly submissions until an inspection took place to enable a review of the conditions.

Since that meeting the CQC has been into the Trust between October 17th and 19th to complete the Section 31 and Section 29A inspections and in a high-level feedback meeting to the Trust on October 19th advised that the Trust had met the condition related to ligature risks.

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The Trust is also in the process of developing its factual accuracy response in relation to the CMHT inspection report that was conducted between August 8th and 10th.

We hope that the evidence that you have found during the Section inspection in October has assured you of the Trust's ongoing efforts and determination to take all reasonable steps to ensure the safety of our service users and staff. We will await further updates regarding the outcome of this on the Sections.

We welcome the opportunity to discuss this and other matters with you at our next engagement meeting in December. However, should you have any immediate queries or require any additional information then please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Lisa Pim

Deputy Director of Patient Safety, Governance, and IPC