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Derbyshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust: Statement in response to the independent review of the delivery of action plans following two historical serious untoward incidents

Derbyshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust welcomes today's independent publication, which explores how the Trust has delivered action plans following two serious incidents that occurred in 2010 and 2013.

Dr John Sykes, Medical Director for Derbyshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust says:

“We welcome the publication of the independent report and are pleased to receive confirmation that the Trust has made considerable progress in delivering the actions and recommendations that were previously identified.

“A number of significant changes have been made to the Trust's services over the last five years. This includes changes to the way we record information about people who use our service. By moving to new electronic systems, our clinicians are now able to access and share a wide range of relevant information, including inter-connectivity between records for individuals who are receiving both mental health care and support from our drug and alcohol services.

“The Trust has revisited and changed its policy for people being supported under CPA (Care Programme Approach) and has promoted the value and importance of information being shared by families and carers. We have also proactively shared the learning from these incidents with our clinical teams as an opportunity to learn from and embed the recommendations across all our services.

“The Trust is committed to ongoing quality improvement across all services. We will continue to learn, embed changes and audit our work to demonstrate our progress in these areas.

“On behalf of Derbyshire Healthcare I continue to extend my condolences to the families involved in these two incidents.”

The independent review can be accessed via NHS England's website at www.england.nhs.uk/mids-east/info-professionals/ind-invest-reports/

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