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Dear Mr Hayes

I am writing to advise you of proposed changes to the Allied Health structure within the Mental Health Service, South Western Sydney Local Health District (SWSLHD) which has the potential to directly affect your members.

Allied health services in Mental Health across SWSLHD provide an important role in the integrated, seamless and coordinated care of consumers, both in hospital and the community.

In 2017 a review of the Allied Health workforce structure across the Mental Health Service identified a requirement for professional leads who have the scope to develop and support an appropriate governance structure and provide clinical leadership to the Mental Health Allied Health workforce.

The proposal includes the establishment of a Mental Health Senior Social Worker Level 6 position and the realignment of existing social worker positions. The proposed changes to the structure and establishment of the senior social worker position will provide the required professional lead for the Allied Health workforce.

To ensure the proposed changes have the input of workers, consultation is being planned. I am writing to invite you to attend a meeting with workers to discuss the proposed changes and to provide any comments regarding the proposed changes within two weeks of the date of this meeting. The meeting details are below:

Date: Friday, 18 February 2022

Time: 9-10am

Venue: Lecture Theatre, Liverpool Mental Health Centre, Liverpool Hospital

Microsoft TEAMS Video Conference ID: 131 526 440 5

Alternatively I would be happy to meet to discuss this matter further with your representatives prior to this meeting.

If you would like to discuss the proposed changes further please do not hesitate to contact me by email at SWSLHD-MentalHealthGeneralManagersUnit@health.nsw.gov.au or by phone on 9616 4285

Yours sincerely

Dr Claire Jones

Director Mental Health Service, SWSLHD

Date: 11 February 2022

Encl. Senior Social Worker Level 6 Position Description
Organisational Structure (Current and Proposed)

South Western Sydney Local Health District acknowledges the traditional owners of the land.

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