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Mr Gerard Hayes  
Secretary  
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Via Email: [info@hsu.asn.au](mailto:info@hsu.asn.au)

Dear Mr Hayes,

**Re: Realignment of Reporting Lines – Lower Hunter Community Health Service**

Following a comprehensive review of all community health services, we have identified a significant opportunity to realign and integrate what is currently known as the Lower Hunter Sector (LHS) Community Services into a single management structure within the Community and Aged Care Services - Greater Newcastle Sector (CACs-GNS), now part of the Integrated Care, Networks and Partnerships Structure. This realignment is expected to bring numerous benefits, including improved service coordination, enhanced resource allocation and ultimately better health outcomes for our community.

The realignment and integration of services has resulted in the need to realign some reporting lines. Effective from Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024 the following positions will realign reporting lines:

**Site Senior Dietitian East Maitland Community Health**

This position currently reports to the Dietetics Head of Discipline, Lower Hunter Sector.  
This position will realign and report to Director of Allied Health, Integrated Care Services Greater Newcastle and Lower Hunter.

**Site Senior Occupational Therapist East Maitland Community Health**

This position currently reports to the Occupational Therapy Head of Discipline, Lower Hunter Sector.  
This position will realign and report to the Community Occupational Therapy Head of Discipline.

**Hospital in the Home (HITH) Physiotherapist**

The reporting lines of this position to the HITH NUM remain unchanged, but the professional support line will change from the Lower Hunter Sector Physiotherapy Head of Discipline to the Community Physiotherapy Head of Discipline.

It is important to note that these arrangements are administrative in nature and will not impact on working hours, location, pay or any other arrangements currently in place.

All incumbents have been consulted with and are aware of the changes.

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Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss this matter further. I can be contacted on (02) 4087 2058 or email [Jenny.Martin@health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Jenny.Martin@health.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely,

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