PREVENTION OF YOUTH SUICIDE IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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Dear Mr Arditi

Re: Inquiry into the prevention of youth suicide in New South Wales

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission to your inquiry. In relation to item ‘f’ in your committee’s terms of reference “Provision of high-quality information and training to service providers” the Health Education and Training Institute (HETI) has developed the following resources available to NSW Health staff:

Caring for young people with mental health issues in paediatric inpatient settings.
This online training module assists staff with identification and appropriate intervention for at risk young people, including suicidality as a potential at risk indicator.

The clinical care of people who may be suicidal education and training initiative (COPSEti). This online training covers the clinical care of people who may be suicidal with three modules aimed at mental health clinicians and three modules aimed at mental health medical officers.

Accredited Persons training. Face to face training for individuals to act as Accredited Persons, part of which is to assess individuals who could be suicidal.

Key changes to the Mental Health Act. A set of four online training modules that cover the changes to the 2007 Act including those related to assessment and management of suicidality.

Please contact my Executive Officer if we can be of any further assistance or if any additional information is required.

Yours sincerely

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