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Sent: Monday, 24 August 2015 3:36 PM
To: GPSC3; Ivana Leo
Subject: RE: Hearing - Friday 14 August 2015 - Upper House Committees - Inquiry into registered nurses in NSW nursing homes
Attachments: Correction to PAC transcript.pdf

Dear Ivana

I have attached one page of the transcript of my evidence (p.52) where there was a minor error.

I was requested to provide one piece of information on notice:

Presbyterian Aged Care NSW & ACT received \$509,000 interest in 2014-15 financial year. The majority of this was raised from our residential care operations, particularly the interest from refundable accommodation deposits and accommodation bonds.

I was also asked the supplementary question: What recommendations to the NSW Government would you like to see come out of this inquiry? I provide the following response:

1. Repeal the provisions of the Public Health Act that stipulate staffing arrangements in residential aged care. These are a duplication of Commonwealth legislation and responsibility.
2. Build collaborative strategies between NSW Health, primary health care and aged care providers to share scarce registered nursing and other professionals (such as allied health) in rural and remote areas. These strategies could include greater use of telehealth models.
3. NSW Health take the lead in a Statewide roll out of the most successful projects that are helping provide support to people in residential aged care to assess and where possible treat acute illness that might otherwise need hospitalisation.
4. Examine potential to develop a Working with Older People and/or Vulnerable Adults Check modelled on the Working with Children employment checking process, to provide additional protection for older people.

Regards

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