Response to questions on notice Greater Metropolitan Clinical Taskforce Brain Injury Rehabilitation Directorate

The Lifetime Care & Support BIRP Implementation Committee meets every 3 months. LTCS members are: Suzanne Lulham, Director, Service Delivery, and Neil Mackinnon, Manager, Service coordination, LTCS. The GMCT Brain Injury Rehabilitation members are: Robert Bosi, Network Manager, Dennis Ginnivan, coordinator of South West Brain Injury Rehabilitation service(Albury), Lacey Healey Far West Brain Injury Rehabilitation service (Dubbo), Marian Fisher (paediatric representative), Sydney Children's Hospital, Randwick and me, Chair BIR Network.

Issues discussed so far have been:

- The role of the Life Time Care coordinator and how they interface with the Brain Injury Rehabilitation units.
- The paper work involved, and the need for revision of the forms
- Issues of eligibility and what the scheme covers
- Equipment prescription guidelines
- Training in the LTCS assessment measures
- Communication re data alignment between the LTCS data dictionary and the BIRP clinical data set.
- Practical issues arising from the scheme, accessing supported accommodation and assessment of patients not admitted to the BIRP.

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I apologise for the delay. In summary the GMCT members do not have anything to add. We feel satisfied that having raised the concerns and seen the responses from LTCS they will continue to work on the solutions to our queries. As mentioned we have established a direct liaison with LTCS to address the particular concerns of the Brain Injury Rehabilitation Network.

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