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Our ref: RJ/KR

Dear Mrs Rawden

Re: Dylan Paul Hill (Deceased)

May I thank you for including our Trust in the circulation list for the Regulation 28 that you issued on 5 January 2018, and forwarded to Secretary of State for Health and Food Standards Agency.

Whilst the Regulation 28 does not require a formal response from our Trust we have taken a decision to respond to the points that you have raised to improve working relationships between the Trust Trading Standards at Barnsley Metropolitan Council to improve the safety and care of people in the Barnsley locality.

The purpose of my letter is to inform you that Barnsley Hospital NHS Foundation Trust has taken the following action to address the Coroner's concerns that were provided in your letter (dated 5 January 2018) and can be responded to as follows:

Evidence was also given that the Trading Standards department if the local council had not been told of this incident prior to the death of Mr Hill. Had they known, they would have arranged a priority visit.

Our anaphylaxis draft protocol has been reviewed and updated in accordance with our internal governance processes (see enclosure 1).

Evidence was given that there are no procedures in place for such communications between the health services and Trading Standards in cases of non fatal anaphylactic reactions.

Our revised anaphylaxis draft protocol includes a referral form to inform Trading Standards of cases of anaphylactic reaction as a result of consuming food from commercial premises.

In my opinion there is a risk that future deaths may occur unless cases of non fatal anaphylactic reactions caused by the ingestion of purchases from food business operatives are reported to those regulatory authorities responsible for the supervision and monitoring of food safety and hygiene.

The enclosed protocol has a clear algorithm on medicine management and how the detail of the consumption at the commercial premises is communicated to the local authority to ensure the timely communication of potential risks.

The question therefore arises as to whether the emergency services and the health services within the area can work together to ensure that Trading Standards Departments are made aware of all anaphylaxis incidents relating to commercial premises so that the appropriate action can be taken as regards these premises.

Our enclosed draft protocol has been circulated with the listed interested parties named in this Regulation 28 letter.

The draft protocol will be taken to the Trust's Clinical Business Unit Governance Meeting on 23 March 2018 for it to be reviewed and ratified we will forward you the final protocol when this has been agreed.

Yours sincerely



Dr Richard Jenkins
Chief Executive

Enclosure: Barnsley Hospital NHS Foundation Trust's Anaphylaxis (Draft Protocol)

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