

EXHIBIT 173

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Date: Thu, [REDACTED] +1000

Hi Stephen,
I note the recent [REDACTED] of a former patient of the Barrett Adolescent Centre [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] I have two issues about this, the first is urgent.

(1) I became aware this morning that the Barrett Adolescent Centre school is still operational and physically located at Yeronga SHS. I was surprised to learn it has [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Because these individuals are together both physically and through social media there is clearly concerns about [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Mater CYMHS will be enacting a local response including increased readiness of our extended hours service. We will also be contacting Mater caseworkers of those patients in our service. I feel Children's Queensland HHS should respond similarly (which you might already have undertaken) which includes contacting the other individuals case managers and therapists.

(2) The second issue is I was surprised at the Barrett Adolescent school part is still in operation and has gone out and made contact with BAC former patients. Essentially it is running a BAC-like service with minimal mental health resources; I believe they have one junior mental health nurse on site. The school principal Mr Kevin Rodgers has requested two to three hours per fortnight of consultant psychiatrist time. I'm ambivalent about this because I think the model of the Barrett school going forward in this fashion is flawed and is in no way consistent with the more contemporary plans for meeting the needs of these patients. Whatever occurs a joint response with a lead from CHQ seems appropriate.

I hope to ring to discuss this with you today.

yours sincerely
Brett

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