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Dear Mr Hayes

Re: District Library Services operating model proposal - MNCLHD

I am writing to advise you of a proposed introduction of a District Library Service for the Mid North Coast Local Health District (MNCLHD).

A desktop review of library services was completed in March 2023 and indicated that whilst all NSW LHDs have some form of library service, there was considerable variation in types of operating model, resourcing and reporting/governance arrangements for each LHD library service reviewed.

The District saw this as an opportunity to move to a District operating model which would support the 'One District' vision and would ensure MNCLHD has a contemporary library service, capable of supporting research and innovation. A District service would also reduce duplication of effort and deliver more efficient resource utilisation (physical space and books) across the MNCLHD. Expansion into e-resources and online tools will be used to enhance discoverability/use of resources.

The proposed changes are outlined in the attached consultation document.

We are commencing consultation with relevant staff and key stakeholders who have been provided with the attached consultation document and invited to provide feedback within two weeks. Additionally, we welcome your feedback on the proposed change within two weeks from the date of this letter via email to Ms Joanne Hawkins, HR Business Partner Joanne.Hawkins@health.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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