NSW Health



Associate Professor Winston Cheung Chair Medical Staff Council Concord Repatriation General Hospital

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Dear Associate Professor Cheung

I refer to your letter to the Secretary and myself dated 25 August 2023, and to your letter in similar terms to the chairperson of the Sydney Local Health District Board.

I note your letter requests NSW Health and/or the SLHD Board to "arrange" an investigation overseen by the NSW Ombudsman into "allegations of intimidation, bullying and harassment, maladministration and poor governance raised by staff at Concord Repatriation General Hospital".

It is open to you to make a complaint about these matters to the NSW Ombudsman directly, and I would encourage you to do so. Details on how to make a complaint can found at the NSW Ombudsman website: https://www.ombo.nsw.gov.au/

I would also reiterate that if properly particularised complaints of intimidation, bullying and harassment, maladministration or poor governance were to be made to the Ministry of Health or to the SLHD Board, they would of course be thoroughly assessed and investigated as appropriate. To date, as far as I am aware, no such properly particularised complaints have been made to the Ministry or the SLHD Board.

Yours sincerely

Phil Minns

Deputy Secretary, People, Culture and Governance

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CC: The Hon John Ajaka, Chairperson, Sydney Local Health District Board Susan Pearce AM, Secretary, NSW Health