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Dear Ms Woolley

Temporary Changes to the Opening Hours of Grantham A & E

Thank you for your letter of 17 August 2016, whereby you are seeking assurance that a full assessment of ambulance service provision, for the area, was considered ahead of the temporary reduction in the opening hours at Grantham A & E.

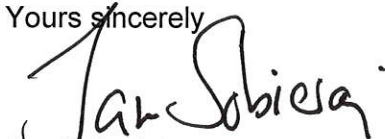
I can confirm the level of impact on EMAS was reviewed throughout the planning process (prior to the temporary closure) and showed a requirement for up to 6 patients requiring transfer to alternative providers.

Since the temporary closure has come into place the available information shows 2 patients per evening have been affected. We are closely monitoring the situation, along with EMAS.

I can also confirm that during the process of reviewing the service model, conversations occurred with EMAS to inform the plans and also discuss the potential impact.

These discussions, with EMAS and Local Commissioners, are continuing to ensure that the impact on patients is minimized..

Yours sincerely



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Chief Executive

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