

## **Update on the Independent review - Greater Manchester Mental Health NHS Foundation Trust (GMMH)**

### **Update from Professor Oliver Shanley OBE – December 2023**

Further to our last communication in September we wanted to provide an update on the progress of the independent review. In our previous update we confirmed that, in accordance with our Terms of Reference, we submitted a first draft of the report at the end of September 2023.

Following submission of the draft report to NHS England, GMMH and other relevant parties we have been reviewing their responses to the draft report and making any appropriate changes based on any factual inaccuracies identified.

We have also met with some families and patients to discuss specific elements of the report that relate to them. We are now finalising our report and intend to submit this to NHS England in December. NHS England have confirmed that the indicative time for publication is January 2024.

Finally, we would like to take the time again to express our thanks to everyone who has taken the time to speak to us since we began our work. We hope that our report will represent the views of the 400 people we listened to over the course of the last 11 months and provide opportunities for learning to avoid failings in patient care in the future.

NHS England and the Trust have arranged support for families and for staff via the Greater Manchester Resilience Hub. The link explains how you can contact them. <https://www.penninecare.nhs.uk/gmrh>