#TEXT0901JM Code A Porter

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Management awareness and action re. Poor attitude among some staff (uncaring and lazy).

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Culture undergoing - not worse, not better. Attributable to some staff in place (small percentage). Others very caring.

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Know how to raise concerns but did not believe system would response or work.

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How do contracted out staff engage with Trust and become involved in CG and practice. He did know about incident reporting.

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Hospital porter, works on all wards and departments "at the beck and call of everyone". In post 7 years. Building still in progress at outset of his employment.

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Now employed by "Rentokill" but doing same job as before ie. service contracted out.

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Things that have "inspired" him to stay in job remain the same, but some things have changed. Eg. attitude of some staff. Feels motivated by doing good for patients. Some staff are not like this - just come to do as little as possible.

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Saw problems of staff attitude that occurred, giving rise to original complaints (ie. Mrs Code A).

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Some nurses do not want to respond to patients' needs. Would rather have tea and real breaks. Not all staff in Daedalus and Mulberry wards are like this but some. Blatant in not caring. Patients left to care for themselves eg. on Mulberry and Ark Royal.

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Sometimes you would think patients are in charge. Patients walk corridors while staff sat in the lounge.

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No particular time of day that this has happened - more associated with certain members of staff. Some staff are excellent.

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Surprised there are not more patient complaints about staff eg. staff did not appear to pretend to work hard.

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Security on ward - there are alarmed doors - sometimes patients will get out even so.

Attitude of nurses is mainly cause of concern eg. not responding to patients.

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Porters have no involvement in taking meals away from ward so cannot comment on whether it is eaten.

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#CODEC6

Does think that food delivery to wards is not coordinated well enough across hospital wards not always ready so that food can be kept warm and served in optimum condition.

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#CODEC5

If he sees patients walking unsteadily - will call for help. Will fill in form if patient actually falls and porter is involved.

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#CODEJ2

No-one spoke to porters re. Any input into Mrs Mackenzie complaint. Was not involved in Trust investigation. Re. Mrs Code A - feels problems generated from Mrs Mackenzie witnessing staff not meeting her mother's needs. Feels no substance in allegations, but arose from uncaring staff attitudes.

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Long-term staff still in post so this contributes to continuation of culture of lack of caring. #ENDCODE

#CODEJ3

Does not feel any suggestions made to managers would be listened to.

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