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Dear Malcolm

Thank you for your correspondence regarding dementia.

Dementia is clearly a propriety for the forum and you and I have had a discussion on whether the London Ambulance Service should make it a clinical priority in 2014/15. We are planning to incorporate some dementia work in our mental health plan this year but as you know in previous years we have struggled to identify what we need to improve. Mental health training is reflected in our CQUINs for this year and whilst this is not specifically focussed on dementia there is some overlap.

Kuda is keen to try and appoint some dementia champions and I believe has a few lined up already but I would expect this to be relatively small scale.

In the meantime I have discussed the issue with Ann and other executive colleagues and we are awaiting the approval of the mental health action plan.

Yours sincerely

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Director of Nursing & Quality