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To whom it might concern,

This is to confirm the role of Melania Geymonat Ramirez in a Quality Improvement Project for the Plastic Surgery Department in order to improve the efficiency of our current pathways for patients who had procedures under Local Anaesthesia (LA) between April 13th and May 14th of 2024.

Her role was data gathering and it included:

- Hand trauma patients under local anaesthesia (LA)
- Treatment room patients seen suitable for LA / ward caer
- Plastic Dressings Clinic (PDC) patients seen
- CEPOD - General Anaesthesia
- CEPOD - LA
- Total days of ward time pre-op
- Total days of ward time pre-op LA
- Total days of ward time pre-op GA

The project aims to advocate for a ward based mini theatre to improve the efficiency of the current pathways. Provided there was one, the department could:

- Offload 12 patients from hand trauma, which would roughly increase 6 regional block slots.
- See 15 patients in a fit-for-purpose location (currently seen in treatment room)
- Take over 18 patients from PDC, which interfere with the on-call rota as well as place extra work on PDC staff.
- Take 9 patients off of the CEPOD list and save up to 15 days of admission.

During this project she demonstrated a clear understanding of the principles of a Quality Improvement project, proactivity and initiative.

I wish her all the best in her future endeavours.



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