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To whom it may concern,

**This is the letter to confirm the role of Dr Melania Geymonat Ramirez in a Quality Improvement project conducted in the Department of Neurosurgery at Aberdeen Royal Infirmary between July 2021-2024.**

Ms Geymonat Ramirez initiated, developed and concluded a closed loop of a Quality Improvement project:

Incisional Negative Pressure Wound Dressings (iNPWD) for spinal fusions. Literature review and review of our local experience at ARI between 1/7/2021 and 1/7/2023. Her role included data gathering, data analysis, presentation, intervention and re-audit.

Subsequently the project was presented in the Scottish Spine Surgeons on Saturday 4th November 2023 in Aberdeen.

A second cycle was held between November 2023 – April 2024.

Results have shown an increase of usage nearly 400% of Incisional Negative Pressure Wound Dressings (iNPWD) for spinal fusions in ARI. Results however fail to demonstrate the efficiency of Incisional Negative Pressure Wound Dressings (iNPWD) for spinal fusions.

A recommendation has been made to analyse this matter in a longer period, including the design of a specific study to analyse this better.

By successfully completing this audit project, she demonstrated her excellent organisational skills, including the ability to manage and prioritise time and information effectively.

I wish her all the best in her future endeavours.

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