

## Hanging at Unity

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Wed, Jul 11, 2018 at 1:58 PM

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Joan RICE <joan.m.rice@multco.us>

Fri, Jul 13, 2018 at 4:28 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Thank you for your report [REDACTED]

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Fri, Jul 13, 2018 at 4:34 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Hi [REDACTED]

Are you aware of the patient's name?

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To: Joan RICE <[joan.m.rice@multco.us](mailto:joan.m.rice@multco.us)>

Staff volunteered this information and I did not probe so don't know name of patient and didn't ask for name.

Staff don't feel supported within and so disclose to County professionals.

I arrived at Unity just as fire and ambulance arrived.

I saw patients on 3 different units that morning.

Hanging occurred on Unity 1E.

Staff showed me the retrofitted bathroom doors and complained they actually make hanging easier.

Also made a point of telling me that their SPL1 suicide precaution "one-to-one" isn't really a one-to-one and makes suicidal patients vulnerable.

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To: [REDACTED]

Thank you. I thought that this was probably the case but wanted to make sure. Have a good weekend and stay cool.

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Unable to determine whether we have authority to investigate without a patient name. Inpatient units have been reporting other events according to rule. No reason to assume Unity will not hold their internal Sentinel Event Review according to JCAHO standards and report as appropriately to licensing body. Joan Rice