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Good afternoon

I have attached the report I have completed in regard to the recent wound dehiscences. I am pleased to say that I have been able to exclude all but 4 of the 13 charts that were reported to me from a number of concerned staff, including one of the medical staff.

I have discussed these cases with Dr Patel this afternoon and as a result I have no further concerns. Dr Patel admitted technique problems with *PIO* , and *PIE* (stitch broke while in xray). His explanations for the other 2 people were also very reasonable.

The wound swab pathology for *pie* was significant and was Staph aureus scant, and Enterobacter cloacae 1+.

I did discuss implementing routine swabbing of all wound dehiscence that occur, as is the procedure at RBH. Dr Patel seemed happy to go along with this.

thank you for your time  
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