



## **MEDIA STATEMENT**

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### **Campbelltown Hospital apologises to patient**

**Campbelltown Hospital has offered their apologies to patient Kellie Van Gool following the failure to remove a swab after deliver of her baby in January.**

Full disclosure was made to the patient at the time the swab was discovered, the same week, with a full explanation of what had occurred.

Campbelltown Hospital medical director of Obstetrics and Gynaecology Dr David Saxton confirmed the incident was investigated immediately with the review resulting in a change to procedures at the hospital.

“We did explain the circumstances around what had happened to Mrs Van Gool at the time but it appears now that we have had a break down in communication and we would like to apologise again,” Dr Saxton said.

The South Western Sydney Area Health Service Professional Practice Unit has contacted Mrs Van Gool to offer her support and access to any information she needs.

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