

11 July 2016

The Coroner's Registrar  
Coroners Court of Victoria  
65 Kavanagh Street  
MELBOURNE VIC 3004

Dear Sir/Madam

**Inquest into the Death of Chris Prasad  
COR 2013 0273**

We refer to Coroner Jamieson's inquest findings dated 19 April 2016 into the death of Mr Chris Prasad (COR 2013 0273).

Pursuant to section 72(3) of the *Coroners Act 2008* (Vic), Monash Health's response to Coroner Jamieson's recommendations is as follows.

**1. Recommendation 1**

Monash Health supports this recommendation.

**2. Recommendation 2**

Monash Health supports this recommendation. Please find below a copy of the additions to the Monash Health policy entitled 'Monash Health – Leave from inpatient units' that specifically relate to environmental and climate conditions.

(a) Additional bullet point under Precautions and Contraindications section:

*Patients prescribed Clozapine may be less able to recognise changes in temperature and therefore are at increased risk during extreme weather conditions.*

(b) Additional bullet point under clause 1.1.2:

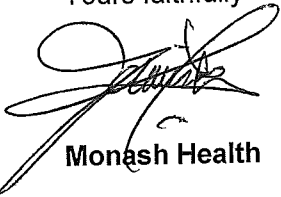
*Environmental risk assessment should include a consideration of the forecasted weather for the period of leave, with particular notice of extreme weather conditions (very hot or very cold).*

(c) New clause 1.1.10:

*For all leave requests clinical staff must consider the weather forecast for the duration of the planned and/or leave period. On days of extreme heat, clinical staff must consider if the weather conditions mean that it is inappropriate to grant leave.*

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to Coroner Jamieson's recommendations.

Yours faithfully



Monash Health