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## Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency

Nursing and Midwifery

## **Private and Confidential**

18 March 2015

Ms Cheryl Vella Coroners Registrar Coroners Court of Victoria 65 Kavanagh St SOUTHBANK VIC 3006



Dear Ms Vella

Response to a recommendation of the Coroner under section 72(3) of the Coroners Act 2008

Investigation into the death of Phillip G Black (Court Reference COR 2010 003699)

I confirm that on 27 February 2015 the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) received a copy of the *Finding into Death with Inquest* in this matter, which contained a recommendation of the Coroner under section 72(2) of the Coroners Act directed to AHPRA:

That the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency considers the circumstances in which Mr Black died, and takes whatever action it seems appropriate in relation to Dr Diner.

AHPRA is a national body whose main aim is to protect the health and safety of the public. We work closely with the Medical Board of Australia (the Board) to ensure that only health practitioners who are trained and qualified to practise in a competent and ethical manner are registered.

## Statement of Action under section 72(4) of the Coroners Act

The Finding into Death with Inquest provided to AHPRA has been treated as a notification under Part 8 of the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law (the National Law). The Board will now conduct an assessment of this notification to decide whether or not further action is required. Further information about the notification process is available at <a href="https://www.ahpra.gov.au/Notifications/Fact-sheets.aspx">www.ahpra.gov.au/Notifications/Fact-sheets.aspx</a>.

Please contact us if you have any new information about this matter. Your assessment coordinator is Rebecca Waring and can be contacted on 03 8708 9053 or by email to <a href="mailto:vic-notifications@ahpra.gov.au">vic-notifications@ahpra.gov.au</a>

## **Further Updates**

Please advise if you require additional information or updates to be provided to you as this matter progresses.

Yours sincerely,

Kath Kelsey

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**Director Notifications** 

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