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Dear Ms Hudson,

**Re: Court ref: COR 2016 002346 – Investigation into the death of Julie Lindsay**

The Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP) acknowledges receipt of your letter dated 22 January 2021 regarding Coroner Paresa Antoniadis Spanos's Finding without inquest into the death of Julie Lindsay.

Pursuant to Section 72(3) of the Coroners Act 2008, the RACGP responds to the recommendation as follows:

*54. Given the increased access to firearms in regional and rural areas, and their lethality as means of suicide, I recommend that the College of General Practitioners targets promotion of their comprehensive website education about suicide prevention to General Practitioners who treat patients in regional and rural areas.*

RACGP Rural is a faculty of the College that supports and advocates for GPs working in rural and remote communities in Australia. As per the recommendation from Coroner Spanos, we will promote the relevant education and resources around mental health and suicide prevention to our rural members.

We will also promote the resources through RACGP Specific Interests, which includes a network of GPs who have an interest in psychological medicine. These members are located around Australia, including in regional and rural areas.

Should you or the Coroner wish to discuss this further, please contact Kon Kakris, RACGP Victoria State Manager on 8699 0979, or [kon.kakris@racgp.org.au](mailto:kon.kakris@racgp.org.au)

Yours sincerely



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