

Mr Will Doolan
Coroner's Registrar
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Dear Mr Doolan,

RE: Investigation into the death of Eoghan Arnold

On 30 June 2021, Safer Care Victoria received your letter of correspondence accompanying Coroner English's finding without inquest into the tragic death of Eoghan Arnold. Further to Safer Care Victoria's correspondence dated 29 September 2021, SCV wish to provide Coroner English with a progress update.

Coroner English recommended that *Safer Care Victoria develop an evidence-based guideline for venous thromboembolism prophylaxis consistent with Queensland Health Guideline. The guideline could be incorporated into a local standard care pathway to ensure that appropriate consideration of venous thromboembolism prophylaxis is given to all patients according to their level of risk.*

SCV accepted this recommendation in full, however due to the impact of COVID-19 and the state-wide declaration of 'code brown', SCV continues to engage our Centre of Clinical Excellence to implement Coroner English's recommendation. As this process is ongoing, we commit to a completion date by 15 November 2022.

We ask that, should the Court publish their recommendation report, SCV are acknowledged as continuing to develop an evidence-based guideline for venous thromboembolism prophylaxis consistent with Queensland Health Guideline.

Should you have any queries, please contact Jodyanne See, Senior Project Officer for the Patient Safety, Experience and Response Team on patientsafetyresponse@safercare.vic.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,



Professor Michael Roberts
Chief Executive Officer
Safer Care Victoria

Date: 29/03/22