

27 October 2023

Sheean Werkmeister  
Registrar to Coroner Peterson  
Coroners Court

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Dear Sheean

**Coroners Court of Victoria Finding into Death of Thelma Ogilvy  
COR 2019 006038**

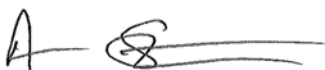
I refer to your letter to Monash Health dated 1 June 2023, inviting a written response from Monash Health to a copy of Coroner Peterson's Finding without inquest including a recommendation made under Section 72(2) of the *Coroner's Act 2008* (Vic), directed to Monash Health.

In response to Coroner Peterson's recommendation "...that Monash Health review its processes to ensure timely notification of referring hospitals and doctors with regard to patient outcomes", Monash Health provides the following comment:

- I refer to the Statement of Professor Carlos Scheinkestel, Executive Director of Quality and Safety at Monash Health dated 7 February 2023, who agreed that this was a worthwhile recommendation;
- Professor Scheinkestel commented in his Statement that notification to referring hospitals and doctors with regard to patient outcomes is a broader statewide problem. Monash Health notes Coroner Peterson's decision to provide a copy of her Finding to both Safer Care Victoria and the Secretary to the Department of Health for further consideration;
- Monash Health agrees, consistent with Professor Scheinkestel's statement of 7 February 2023 as recommended by Coroner Peterson, to review its processes to ensure timely notification of referring hospitals and doctors with regard to patient outcomes.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further enquiries.

Yours sincerely



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