

COR 2022 000978

SCV: CC2024-11

Kate Bryant Coroners Registrar Coroners Court of Victoria team2@courts.vic.gov.au

Dear Ms Bryant,

Thank you for your email dated 15 April and 1 May 2024 regarding Coroner McGregor's findings and recommendation into the tragic death of Adelaide Wilson (COR 2022 000978).

Coroner McGregor directed the following recommendation to Safer Care Victoria (SCV).

(iii) I recommend that Safer Care Victoria consider distributing the learnings of case to health services that utilize i-STAT-1 machines.

The recommendation directed to SCV was discussed within our relevant networks and branches. The Acute Care Learning Health Network, an arm of SCV's Centre of Clinical Excellence, provided subject matter expertise regarding the level of impact His Honours recommendation (iii) would have across the sector. After careful consideration, SCV opined any formal distribution of learnings in relation to the circumstances of Mrs Wilsons case would not be meaningful and that encouraging services to ensure results were within reference range was considered a statement of the obvious to clinicians. What SCV would like to consider however, is utilising this case as an example to inform future project work.

To this end, a key approach SCV would consider most impactful is for the manufacturers who produce the products to introduce safe and effective safeguards for end users.

We thank Coroner McGregor for highlighting this important safety issue.

Should you have any further queries, please contact Jodyanne See, Senior Project Officer for Coronial matters via email

Yours sincerely,

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