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Dear Niels

Coronial Investigation into the death of Dorothy Simm

I write further to your letter dated 2 February 2026, in relation to a recommendation made by Coroner Audrey Jamieson's Findings under section 72(2) of the *Coroners Act 2008* (Vic). I note that Her Honour make the following recommendation in the Findings dated 23 January 2026:

"(i) With the aim of preventing like deaths and promoting public health and safety, I recommend that the Director of Quality and Safety at Monash Health educate the Quality and Safety leads of each clinical unit about the difference between Riskman's death audit functionality and the Adverse Patient Safety Event functionality to ensure there is an appropriate reporting culture."

I am instructed that the Coroner's recommendation will be implemented by Monash Health.

I have liaised with Monash Health's Director of Quality and Safety who advises the following actions are to be implemented to educate our clinical staff about the difference between Riskman's death audit functionality and the Adverse Patient Safety Event functionality ('the education') in recognition of the Coroner's recommendation:

- The Director of Quality and Safety has tabled the education as an Agenda item at the Monash Doctors Council meeting (attended by the Chief Medical Officer and all Program Directors leading each clinical department) on 20 August 2026.
- Targeted communication on the education will be included in the June edition of Monash Health's Quality and Safety Newsletter, which is distributed organisation wide to provide clear guidance to all clinical staff.
- In addition, the education will be disseminated through existing governance structures, including Program Quality and Safety meetings, with a particular focus on educating Deputy Program Medical Directors who hold key Quality and Safety portfolios, to reinforce the messaging within each clinical department.

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

Yours sincerely



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