

Tom FOSKI

Tom had a long history of mental health issues dating back to his teenage years. He was diagnosed with chronic paranoid schizophrenia and a number of other serious health issues including diabetes, COPD and heart disease. He was often non-compliant with his medications. He was found unresponsive on the floor and was unable to be resuscitated. The coroner found the care and treatment was reasonable and appropriate however commented on Tom's ability to access funds to improve his quality of life.

Graylands Hospital, the primary site for long-stay patients, has developed a clear process for communication with the Public Trustee's Office. The Coronial Recommendations Working Group has requested that all mental health services establish such processes for communicating with the Public Trustee.

The coronial recommendation from the Tom Foski inquest has been reviewed, actioned appropriately and marked as complete.