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Dear Ms Wright

Thank you for your letter of 1 July 2016 regarding the inquest findings for Geoffrey Mark Reid. I note the recommendations made by Coroner Linton.

Given the short timeframe from the release of the inquest findings (28 June 2016), it is too soon to comment on specific actions that have been taken in response to the Coroner's recommendations.

I can advise that the Department of Health's Coronial Review Committee will be reviewing the findings at a meeting scheduled in August 2016. Following their discussion, the relevant stakeholders will be responsible for developing strategies that are necessary to implement the recommendations.

Furthermore, the Department of Health's Coronial Liaison Unit coordinates WA Health's response to the State Coroner on action taken with respect to the recommendations arising from coronial inquests. Any actions taken by WA Health services in relation to the recommendations will be included in the Coronial Liaison Unit's routine six-monthly reports to the State Coroner.

I trust that this information, and that provided in the ongoing six-monthly reports, will assist the Coroner to fulfil the annual reporting requirements to the Attorney General.

Thank you for bringing this matter to my attention.

Yours sincerely

HON ANDREA MITCHELL MLA MINISTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH

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