



Your Ref: COR 2016 001714
Our Ref: A1599362/MCH

16 March, 2017

The Coroners Registrar
Coroners Court of Victoria
65 Kavanagh Street
SOUTHBANK VIC 3006

Dear Nicole D'Rozario,

RE: Investigation into the Death of Livinia Kenna – Without Inquest

I refer to your letter dated 24 February 2017, which was received by Council on 28 February, 2017 providing the Coroners findings connected with the death of Livinia Kenna and the Coroners recommendation(s) to Council in relation to Maternal Child and Health (MCH) Care Nurses home visit procedures.

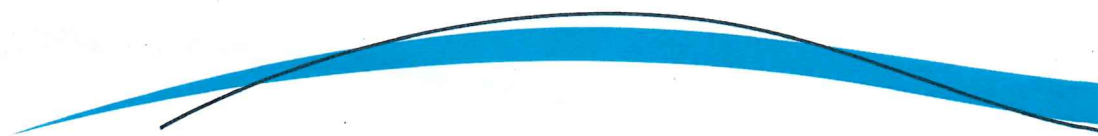
I understand that pursuant to section 72(5)(a) and (b) of the *Coroners Act 2008* (Vic), our response will be published on the Courts website and a copy will be provided to any person advising the Principal Registrar of an interest, or whom the Principal Registrar considers to have a sufficient interest, in the subject of the recommendations.

As a result of the Coroners findings, the specified recommendation **will be** implemented as soon as possible but no later than 31 May, 2017.

In an endeavour to address the recommended intervention immediately, the Mossfield Maternal Health Centre nurses have been advised to;

- revisit and refresh themselves with the 'Maternal and Child Health Service: Practice Guidelines';
- provide the families with the required advice;
- ensure they thoroughly review the environment; and
- sight the sleeping arrangements in which the baby lives.

The MCH nurses have also been asked to utilise and complete the 10 Point Checklist form which is provided to them in their Home Visiting Pack. A copy of the checklist is attached for your information with this letter.



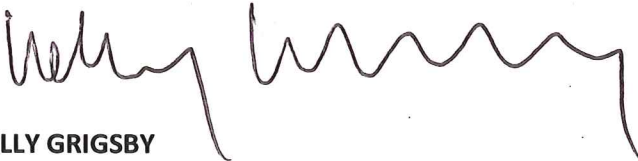
Additionally, the following actions will be (or have been) implemented in light of the Coroners recommendation:

- all MCH nurses will be advised to ensure they follow the above mentioned points –
[COMPLETED – MCH Nurses meeting held on 8 March, 2017 – Agenda item, information relayed and noted]
- all MCH staff will receive refresher '**Safe Sleeping**' training from 'Red Nose' (previously known as SIDS & Kids)
[TRAINING SCHEDULED – 'Red Nose' personnel providing training on 27 July, 2017 at Council Offices for MCH staff]
- all MCH nurses will receive refresher training on Department of Education and Early Childhood Development/Municipal Association of Victoria 2009 '**Home Visit Practice Guidelines**'
[COMPLETED - MCH Nurses meeting held on 8 March, 2017 – Agenda item, information relayed and noted]
- MCH refresher training will be completed by all nurses annually
[Scheduled in as part of the Staff annual competencies]

We are committed to providing a high level of MCH services to our community and addressing any MCH safety matters or concerns to protect those in our care.

I have attached some of our MCH procedures for your information and will inform the Coroners Office of completed actions listed above.

Yours sincerely,



KELLY GRIGSBY
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Attachments included:

- c.c. Jenny McMahon (Director, City Life)
- c.c. Mary Agostino (Manager, Community Support)

