



Ms Freda Villella
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26 April 2013

Dear Ms Villella,

Investigation into the death of VINCENT BONANNO

Court ref: COR 2011 000859

I write in response to the recommendation of the Deputy State Coroner, Iain West, that the Royal Australasian College of Physicians give consideration to creating, or reviewing, guidelines for follow-up evaluation and treatment of adult patients with Kawasaki disease.

In your letter dated 1 March 2013 I noted that the Deputy State Coroner, Iain West, requested that pursuant to section 72(2) of the Coroners Act 2008 the Royal Australasian College of Physicians give consideration to creating or reviewing guidelines for follow-up evaluation and treatment adult patients with Kawasaki disease.

Further to this request, I have referred this recommendation to the President of the Cardiac Society of Australia and New Zealand (CSANZ) for further advice and action.

Whilst the RACP is the primary body for training and accreditation of Physicians in Australia and New Zealand, the College itself does not develop guidelines or any other materials recommending treatment methods for specific medical conditions. CSANZ is the professional society for cardiologists and those working in the area of cardiology including researchers, scientists, cardiovascular nurses, allied health professionals and other healthcare workers in Australia and New Zealand. CSANZ is also responsible for establishing and supporting the maintenance of professional and ethical standards of practice for cardiovascular medicine and related research.

I have requested the CSANZ President, Prof Richmond Jeremy, to respond to this request with your office directly. Attached for your information is a copy of the request with supporting documentation that was sent to Prof Jeremy on the 24 April 2013.



In the intervening period, if you have any further questions regarding this matter please contact the Executive Officer to the Adult Medicine Division, Ms Angela Palmer, on 02 9256 5470 or at adult.med@racp.edu.au

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dr Alasdair MacDonal". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Dr Alasdair MacDonal, FRACP
President, Adult Medicine Division
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Cc: Ms Jennifer Alexander, CEO, Royal Australasian College of Physicians