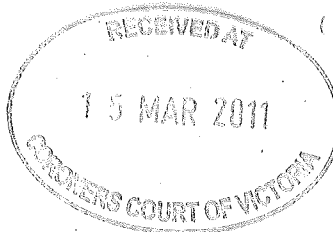




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9 March 2011

Ms E Choy
Coroner's Registrar
Coroners Court of Victoria
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MELBOURNE

Dear Ms Choy,

RE: KARA COMPTON
REF. 0441/06

I refer to your correspondence to the Secretary of the Department of Human Services dated 21 February 2011 and confirm that this office has been asked to respond on her behalf.

I note recommendation 1.i) of Coroner John Olle which provides that the Department is to work together with the Department of Primary Industries and the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development regarding distribution of the booklet, 'we are family'.

The Department supports the Coroner's recommendation, however the Department is no longer responsible for the suggested points of distribution within the recommendation (ie. maternal and child health services, pre-schools, hospitals with obstetric departments, etc). These are the responsibility of the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development and the Department of Health.

Please contact Michelle Wilson on 9096 1479 if you require anything further.

Yours sincerely

Kirsty McIntyre
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