

Court ref: COR 2018 002773

SCV ref: CC2019-12

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Dear Ms Philpot

## Investigation into the death of Baby J

Thank you for your letter dated 16 July 2019 accompanying Coroner Phillip Byrne's finding without inquest into the death of Baby J.

I note that the Coroner's finding has recommended 'that the Department of Health and Human Services conduct a public awareness campaign in relations to liquid nicotine per se, not the broad issues surrounding e-cigarettes, and nicotine free liquids utilised in vaping.'

As you may be aware, Safer Care Victoria has worked with the Department of Health and Human Service to disseminate messages that inform the wider Victorian community of the risks associated with the use of e-cigarettes around children.

We issued alerts through our Paediatric, Critical Care, Emergency and Maternity & Newborn Clinical Networks in March this year to remind health professionals to contact the Victorian Poisons Information Centre if they are concerned that anyone has ingested liquid from e-cigarettes.

We have consulted with the Consultative Council on Obstetric and Paediatric Mortality and Morbidity (CCOPMM) who have advised that a message to consumers was included in their 2017 report and will also form part of the 2018 CCOPMM report.

Should you have any queries, please contact the Office of the Chiefs on (03) 9096 0222 or chiefclinicalofficers@safercare.vic.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

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Safer Care Victoria
Date: 9 /8 /2019

