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Victorian State Coroner to investigate St Basil's aged care deaths

Victorian State Coroner, Judge John Cain has commenced an investigation into the deaths of five residents at St Basil's Home for the Aged.

His Honour has directed Victoria Police to compile a coronial brief of evidence.

The focus of the coronial investigation will be determined following receipt of the brief.

Under the *Coroners Act 2008*, His Honour must find, if possible, the causes of the deaths and the circumstances in which they occurred.

His Honour is also empowered under the *Act* to make recommendations to prevent similar deaths in the future.

As the investigation is ongoing, no further comment can be made at this time.