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His Honour, Coroner Bracken
Coroners Court of Victoria
65 Kavanagh Street
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Dear Coroner Bracken

Investigation into the death of Ronald John Wood - COR 2018 1860

We refer to Your Honour's Finding into the death of Mr Wood, dated 29 May 2020, received by Peninsula Health on 11 June 2020.

At page 9 of the Finding Your Honour makes the following recommendation:

'Peninsula Health expand all relevant clinical practice guidelines to require that, when patients at risk of VTE are discharged from hospital, both the patient and their general practitioner received written guidance on anticoagulation. This should be done in accordance with Quality Statements 3, 4, 7 of the Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care Clinical Care Standard on Venous Thromboembolism Prevention (October 2018).'

In response to Your Honour's recommendation, we advise that Peninsula Health's policies have been amended to reflect that both the patient and their general practitioner receive written guidance on the anticoagulation discharge plan.

We also confirm that our current systems and processes align with the October 2018 and the January 2020 Quality statements 3, 4, and 7 of the Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care Clinical Care Standard on Venous Thromboembolism Prevention.

I trust this information satisfies your request for a response to the recommendation under section 72(3) and 72(4) of the *Coroners Act 2008* (Vic).

Kind regards,

Felicity Topp
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

We acknowledge and pay respect to the traditional people of this region, known as the Myone Buluk of the Boon Wurrung language group of the greater Kulin Nation. We pay our respects to the land this organisation stands on today. We bestow the same courtesy to all other First Peoples, past and present, who now reside in this region.

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