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Ms Lidia Lo Giusto  
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Level 11  
222 Exhibition Street  
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Dear Ms Lo Giusto

**RE: Findings in relation to Marlene Kenny – Court ref: 1090/07**

I refer to your letter dated 2 August 2011 addressed to Ms Gill Callister, Secretary, Department of Human Services (DHS) in relation to the finding into the death of Mrs Kenny (enclosed). Mrs Kenny's death occurred on 11 January 2007, following a period of contact with various health services and medical personnel.

As was discussed with Judy Bromham from the Legal Services Branch of DHS by telephone on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> August, it appears the request for a response to the finding should be directed to the Department of Health.

This is because health services now fall entirely within the responsibility of the Department of Health, as a result of the creation of that department in August 2009. Although Ms Kenny's death occurred while responsibility for health services was still held by DHS, it is the Department of Health that is best placed to respond to the finding now.

Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Yours sincerely

Kirsty McIntyre  
Director  
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