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Dear Coroner McGregor

Thank you for the Coroners Court of Victoria's letter of 1 March 2023 regarding the coronial investigation into the death of Jayden Wright (Court reference: 2022 003783).

I am responding to your comment regarding the Court's prior recommendations to include pregabalin in the medicines monitored by SafeScript, Victoria's real-time prescription monitoring program. I am pleased to advise you that the Department of Health is currently in the process of making regulatory amendments to include pregabalin in SafeScript. The regulatory amendments are open for public consultation now and the Coroners Court of Victoria is welcome to make a submission supporting the change. The proposed regulatory amendments can be found at <https://www.health.vic.gov.au/public-health/medicines-and-poisons-regulation>.

Should you wish to discuss this matter further, please contact Stefan Tulloch, Acting Director, Medicines and Poisons Regulation at the Department of Health on 0431 245 803 or Stefan.Tulloch@health.vic.gov.au.

I trust this information has been of assistance and thank you again for taking the time to write to me about this matter.

Yours sincerely

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