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Re: Transition of the Non-Coronial Autopsy Service to Forensic Medicine Lidcombe

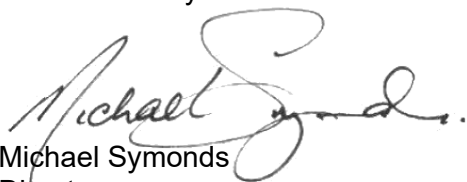
Further to my letter to you of 31 May 2023, I am now able to confirm that in respect of Point 6 contained in that letter:

It will be a requirement of the referring doctor to identify and provide the details for an LHD/Hospital Social Worker who will be the liaison point for the family. The Forensic Medicine Clinical Nurse Consultants (CNC) will liaise with the Hospital Social Worker in respect of the non-coronial autopsy referral and clarifying any details required prior to a referral being accepted. The CNC will be the contact person for the Social Worker or referrer regarding the progress of the case. This along with clear criteria for non-coronial referrals, is designed to minimise any other contacts being made by the SNOK/family.

I trust that this clarifies the point raised by the HSU regarding **What is the proposed process for families?**

I would appreciate your earliest advice in respect of my response to the matters raised, including the above updated information.

Yours sincerely



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