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Mr M Layton
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Dear Mr Layton

Inquest into the death of Robert Erryl Jones

Thank you for your letter received by this office on 27th March 2014, enclosing a report pursuant to Regulation 28 of the Coroners (investigations) Regulations 2013. Please accept my apologies for the delay in responding to your letter.

The Health Board fully recognises the need to ensure CT scan results should be made available promptly and will ensure that this is routinely monitored. The Radiology department will be undertaking sampling of the scan to report time for emergency CT scans.

All staff will be reminded of the need to ensure that the results of any diagnostic test that is requested must be reviewed by the clinical team responsible for requesting the test. It must be documented in the patient's notes that the results have been reviewed and any resultant action recorded.

Any test results which are given verbally, as maybe the case in an emergency situation, must also be appropriately documented in the patient record. We will also ensure that where patients maybe under the care of several different clinical teams that test results are made available to any members of those teams.

The Medical Director of the Health Board will also be including this information in her regular updates to all clinical staff.

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Prif Weithredwr/Chief Executive Mrs Karen Howell I confirm that a report on these actions will be presented to the Health Board's Putting Things Right Committee in September. I will write to you further with an update following this meeting.

If you require any further information in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Karen Howell

Chief Executive (interim)

Cc : Committee

Independent Member & Chair of the Putting Things Right