ANNEX A

REGULATION 28: REPORT TO PREVENT FUTURE DEATHS

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THIS REPORT IS BEING SENT TO:

1. BUPA Ardenlea Grove Nursing Home

1 CORONER

I am Louise Hunt senior coroner, for the coroner area of Birmingham and Solihull.

2 CORONER'S LEGAL POWERS

I make this report under paragraph 7, Schedule 5, of the Coroners and Justice Act 2009 and regulations 28 and 29 of the Coroners (Investigations) Regulations 2013.

3 INVESTIGATION and INQUEST

On 24/09/14 I commenced an investigation into the death of [Noreen Porter aged 69. The investigation concluded at the end of the inquest on 18/12/14. The conclusion of the inquest was that the deceased died as a result of aspiration of food material whilst being fed on 18/09/14.

4 CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DEATH

The deceased was admitted to Ardenlea Grove nursing home on 04/09/14. She suffered from dementia and was a high risk of aspiration. On 18/09/14 whilst being fed her tea she aspirated. She was not given CPR at the time. When paramedics arrived they confirmed she was dead and pronounced life extinct. The pathology evidence was that she had aspirated food material. This food material was below the glottis and bifurcation of the trachea.

5 CORONER'S CONCERNS

During the course of the inquest the evidence revealed matters giving rise to concern. In my opinion there is a risk that future deaths will occur unless action is taken. In the circumstances it is my statutory duty to report to you.

The MATTERS OF CONCERN are as follows. –

(1) No CPR was undertaken by the staff when the deceased collapsed.
(2) There appears to be no process or procedure in place to ensure resuscitation is undertaken when an emergency occurs

6 ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN

In my opinion action should be taken to prevent future deaths and I believe you AND/OR your organisation has the power to take such action.

7 YOUR RESPONSE
You are under a duty to respond to this report within 58 days of the date of this report, namely by 22/12/14. I, the coroner, may extend the period.

Your response must contain details of action taken or proposed to be taken, setting out the timetable for action. Otherwise you must explain why no action is proposed.

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<td>The Chief Coroner may publish either or both in a complete or redacted or summary form. He may send a copy of this report to any person who he believes may find it useful or of interest. You may make representations to me, the coroner, at the time of your response, about the release or the publication of your response by the Chief Coroner.</td>
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