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M Jennifer Leeming H.M. Coroner Coroner's Office West District Paderborn House Civic Centre Bolton BL1 1JW

Dear Ms Leeming

Re:

Helen England (Deceased)

D.O.B:

28 May 1975

D.O.D:

26 December 2016

Thank you for your letter of 11 April 2016, received in this office on 12 April 2016, regarding Helen England and the outcome of the inquest into Helen's death, which concluded on 4 March 2016.

I note your concerns, raised at a national level with the Secretary of State for Health, the RT Hon Jeremy Hunt, regarding the absence of any protocol or guidance for clinical staff to follow when considering whether or not to refer to a doctor in a decision to discharge a patient following their attendance at an acute hospital, particularly in relation to those patients who are subject to a Community Treatment Order.

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I am writing to inform you that although the Regulation 28 was not aimed specifically at the Trust I would like to confirm that our Community Treatment Order Procedure has been amended in light of your concerns and the process for communicating this to our staff is underway.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Simon Barber Chief Executive

cc: Andrew Foster, Chief Executive, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Royal Albert Edward Hospital, Wigan Lane, Wigan, WN1 2NN.

Secretary of State for Health, Jeremy Hunt, House of Commons, London SW1A 0AA

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