## **REGULATION 28: REPORT TO PREVENT FUTURE DEATHS**

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The MATTERS OF CONCERN are as follows. -In the course of the inquest I heard evidence that both annual and monthly tests should be undertaken where clozapine has been prescribed. The annual test was required to identify symptoms and potential side effects that would not necessarily be picked up on monthly tests. Michael Mahon had not had his annual test. This should have taken place in March 2016. It was accepted that there was no system to identify that the test had been missed and it was not noticed at any of his monthly checks. 6 **ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN** In my opinion action should be taken to prevent future deaths and I believe you have the power to take such action. 7 YOUR RESPONSE You are under a duty to respond to this report within 56 days of the date of this report, namely by 11<sup>th</sup> May 2017. 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. **COPIES and PUBLICATION** I have sent a copy of my report to the Chief Coroner and to the following Interested Persons namely find it and find it useful or of interest. I am also under a duty to send the Chief Coroner a copy of your response. 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. arch 2017 **Alison Mutch OBE** 

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