

Regulation 28: REPORT TO PREVENT FUTURE DEATHS

NOTE: This form is to be used **after** an inquest.

	REGULATION 28 REPORT TO PREVENT DEATHS
	THIS REPORT IS BEING SENT TO:
	1 University Hospital Southampton NHS Foundation Trust
1	CORONER
	I am Robert SIMPSON, Assistant Coroner for the coroner area of Hampshire, Portsmouth and Southampton
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 16 June 2021 I commenced an investigation into the death of Robert Graham TAYLOR aged 82. The investigation concluded at the end of the inquest on 05 August 2022. The conclusion of the inquest was that:
	On the 5th June 2021 Robert Graham Taylor died at Southampton General Hospital as a result of blood loss due to an injury incurred when he fell over on the 4th June 2021.
4	CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DEATH
	Mr Taylor was taken to Southampton General Hospital after a fall where he suffered significant facial fractures and a subdural haematoma. He suffered epistaxis (nose bleed) which was treated with Rapid Rhinos. Subsequently he suddenly deteriorated, went into cardiac arrest and passed away.
5	CORONER'S CONCERNS
	During the course of the investigation my inquiries revealed matters giving rise to concern. In my opinion there is a risk that future deaths could occur unless action is taken. In the circumstances it is my statutory duty to report to you.
	The MATTERS OF CONCERN are as follows: (brief summary of matters of concern)
	The deceased suffered facial fractures and had episodes of epistaxis. I heard evidence that when a clot forms within the nose the bleeding can continue and is only visible if the back of the patient's throat is looked at. I heard evidence that, in the Emergency Department and Trauma Admission Unit, the importance of checking the back of the throat of a patient with a history of epistaxis or facial fractures was not widely known.
6	ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN
	In my opinion action should be taken to prevent future deaths and I believe you (and/or your organisation) have the power to take such action.
7	YOUR RESPONSE
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