

## REGULATION 28: REPORT TO PREVENT FUTURE DEATHS

	<p><b>THIS REPORT IS BEING SENT TO:</b></p> <p><b>1. Mid Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust</b></p>
1	<p><b>CORONER</b></p> <p>I am Kevin McLoughlin, Senior Coroner, for the Coroner area of West Yorkshire (Eastern area)</p>
2	<p><b>CORONER'S LEGAL POWERS</b></p> <p>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.</p>
3	<p><b>INVESTIGATION and INQUEST</b></p> <p>On 18 January 2023 I commenced an investigation into the death of David Barnet WILSON, aged 67. The investigation concluded at the end of the Inquest on Tuesday 6 June 2023. The conclusion of the Inquest was a Narrative based upon the following medical cause of death; 1a Sepsis 1b Bowel Perforation (Sigmoidoscopy Procedure Undertaken on 30.12.22) 1c Ischaemic Colitis, II End Stage Renal Failure, Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm (operated), Ischaemic Heart Disease.</p>
4	<p><b>CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DEATH</b></p> <p>Mr D B Wilson was admitted to hospital on 27 December 2022. A CT scan indicated an inflammation in the distal section of his colon. The established diagnostic procedure to identify the cause of the suspected colitis was a flexible sigmoidoscopy. A recognised complication of this procedure was a colonic perforation. This happened in this case and resulted in his death the following day, 31 December 2022, at Pinderfields Hospital, Wakefield.</p>
5	<p><b>CORONER'S CONCERNS</b></p> <p>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.</p> <p>The <b>MATTERS OF CONCERN</b> are as follows. –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) The Consent form signed by Mr Wilson was a standard pre-printed form. It did not attempt to provide any statistical rating for the risks identified, which would have enabled Mr Wilson to evaluate the risks.</li> <li>(2) No attempt was made to interpret or tailor the risks inherent in the procedure in the light of his extensive medical history and co-morbidities.</li> <li>(3) The Consent Form did not refer to the risks of death, which befell him. He was thus not in a position to make a truly informed consent to undergo the sigmoidoscopy.</li> <li>(4) The Consent Form did not identify those clinicians involved in discussing the decision with him, save for [REDACTED] who obtained his signature at a time when he was under the influence of morphine sedation.</li> </ol> <p>The objective of the Consent process should be to demonstrate a patient has made a truly informed decision at a time when he is able to evaluate the risks clearly.</p>

6	<p><b>ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN</b></p> <p>In my opinion action should be taken to prevent future deaths and I believe your organisation has the power to take such action.</p>
7	<p><b>YOUR RESPONSE</b></p> <p>You are under a duty to respond to this report within 56 days of the date of this report, namely by Tuesday 1 August 2023. I, the Coroner, may extend the period.</p> <p>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.</p>
8	<p><b>COPIES and PUBLICATION</b></p> <p>I have sent a copy of my report to the Chief Coroner and to the following Interested Persons [REDACTED] (wife). I have also sent it to [REDACTED], Ferrybridge Medical Centre, Ferrybridge, WF11 8NQ, who may find it useful or of interest.</p> <p>I am also under a duty to send the Chief Coroner a copy of your response.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
9	<p><b>SIGNED</b></p> <p></p> <p>KEVIN MCLOUGHLIN SENIOR CORONER, WEST YORKSHIRE (EAST) Thursday 8th June 2023</p>