

19 December 2024

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By email to: [REDACTED]

Your reference: [REDACTED]
Our reference: [REDACTED]

Dear Mr Wilson

Re: Regulation 28 Prevention of Future Deaths Report in respect of Imogen Heap

I write in response to your regulation 28 report dated 8 November 2024 regarding the sad death of Imogen Heap. I would like to express my sincere condolences to Imogen's family and loved ones.

We have reflected on the circumstances surrounding Imogen's death and senior clinical advisers within our patient safety team have reviewed the concerns raised.

We acknowledge that propranolol is prescribed in the NHS for generalised anxiety, however the NICE guideline on generalised anxiety disorder and management of panic disorder in adults [[CG113](#)], does not currently make any recommendations regarding propranolol for the treatment of anxiety.

In response to your report we will review the evidence and consult with topic experts to consider an update to CG113 to make a specific recommendation on whether propranolol should be an option in the treatment pathway for people with generalised anxiety disorder.

Your report has been shared with the surveillance team who will carry out this work.

Please do let me know if you require any further information and again, I offer my sincerest condolences to Imogen's family.

Yours sincerely,

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Chief Executive