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VIA E-MAIL
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Lisa Lapointe
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Office of the Chief Coroner
Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General

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Dear Lisa Lapointe:

Re: *Sleeping Safely: BC Coroners Service Death Review Panel report examining deaths among Infants (2013-2018)*

I am writing to follow up on Minister Katrine Conroy's December 4, 2019 letter to you regarding *Sleeping Safely: BC Coroners Service Death Review Panel report examining deaths among Infants (2013-2018)*.

As you are aware, the Ministry of Health has been the lead ministry in responding to the recommendations in this report that were also directed to the Ministry of Children and Family Development. The Deputy Minister of Health's February 7, 2020 letter to you described the collaborative actions that the MCFD has completed with the Ministry of Health in response to these recommendations.

My staff recently communicated with Michael Egilson, Director of your Specialized Investigations & Death Review Unit, regarding further follow up from MCFD on these recommendations. Mr. Egilson requested the *Collaborative Practice Protocol for Providing Services for Families with Vulnerabilities* that was revised in 2019 and referenced in the February letter from the Ministry of Health. I am pleased to provide this protocol as an attachment to this letter.

MCFD's contribution to implementing the recommendations of *Sleeping Safely* is considered complete. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require further information.

I would like to thank the BC Coroners Service and members of the death review panel for the important contributions made by this review.

Sincerely,

Cory Heavener
ADM/Provincial Director of Child Welfare

Attachments (1)

pc: Allison Bond, Deputy Minister, MCFD
Cheryl May ADM/ MCFD
Lorie Hrycuik, Executive Lead, Population and Public Health, Ministry of Health