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Ms. Lisa Lapointe
Chief Coroner
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Dear Ms. Lapointe:

On behalf of the Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions, the Ministry of Health, and the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General, we are pleased to submit the final progress report on actions taken in response to the *BC Coroners Service Death Review Panel: Illicit Drug Overdoses*.

This joint report contains updates on all priority actions included in the findings of the Death Review Panel and highlights key areas where significant work has taken place.

We remain committed to informing British Columbians of the actions that we are taking to reduce overdose deaths by improving the substance use system of care.

Please direct any questions to the Assistant Deputy Minister Committee Chair, Taryn Walsh, Assistant Deputy Minister, Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions, at Taryn.Walsh@gov.bc.ca.

Thank you for your continued work to support the provincial response to the overdose emergency.

Sincerely,

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Stephen Brown
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