

31 January 2025

Ms Katy Skerrett
HM Area Coroner
Gloucestershire Coroners Court
Corinium Avenue
Barnwood
Gloucestershire
GL4 3DJ

Sent via email: [REDACTED]

Our reference: [REDACTED]

Dear Ms Skerrett

Re: Regulation 28 Prevention of Future Deaths Report (Thomas Henry Robin Kingston)

I write in response to your regulation 28 report dated 7 January 2025 regarding the very sad death of Thomas Henry Robin Kingston. I would like to express my sincere condolences to Thomas's family.

Our patient safety leads at NICE have discussed the contents of your report and the summary information given relating to the death of Mr Kingston, while considering the relevant published NICE guidance on this topic, in this case [depression in adults: treatment and management \(NG222\)](#).

Given that the matters of concern relate to the side effects and safety of medication, specifically selective serotonin reuptake inhibitors (SSRIs), we believe that the key issues raised are best addressed in the first instance by the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA), and I note that your report has also been sent to them.

Therefore, we are currently working collaboratively with the MHRA on this issue. The outcome of that work will inform any action NICE may need to take in respect of its recommendations.

Please consider this our initial reply. We will write to you again as soon as possible with further information once our work with the MHRA has concluded. Please note that given the complex nature of the MHRA work, our final response is unlikely to be submitted by the original response date required by your report.

I hope this is an acceptable way forward and would like to assure you that I will send my further reply as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,


Chief Executive