SCRUTINY BOARD (ADULT SOCIAL SERVICES, PUBLIC HEALTH, NHS)

BEREAVEMENT: POLICIES AND PRACTICE AT LEEDS TEACHING HOSPITALS NHS TRUST

ADVICE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH ON THE DRAFT RECEOMMENDATIONS

Thank you for your request for advice on the recommendations and I offer the following:

Recommendations 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5:

No specific advice or comments.

Recommendation 6:

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That by 10 June 2016, the responsible Director from Leeds City Council formally responds to the Department of Health consultation on the implementation of Independent Medical Examiners; and in doing so reflects some of the issues highlighted in this report.

The response is likely to be a West Yorkshire response or possibly a Leeds/Bradford response. The consultation has very specific questions and the Scrutiny Board may wish to expand the recommendation to go beyond the consultation and request that the issues raised by Scrutiny are included as part of the future implementation of the Medical Examiners service regardless of the geographic footprint

Recommendation 7:

No specific advice or comments.

I hope these comments are helpful.

Dr Ian Cameron
Director of Public Health