

## In the South London Coroners Court

## Inquest touching the death of John Lobo

## Response to Coroner's Regulation 28 Report

Following the Inquest which took place on 21 April 2015, we reviewed the facts of this case against our company policies and presented a written statement which was provided to the Court on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2015. We now provide below our response to the Coroner's Regulation 28 Report dated 11 May 2015.

Senior Coroner Selena Lynch has suggested that in cases involving direct repatriation of a patient without the facilities provided by an insurance company, consideration might be given to obtaining an independent medical assessment when assessing fitness for travel.

We would stress that, in accordance with our company policy, obtaining confirmation of fitness to travel from a competent medical practitioner always has been, and remains, an absolute requirement of Exora Medical Limited when accepting instructions to transfer any patient.

In our experience, the medical practitioner who has treated the patient is usually best placed to assess a patient's fitness to travel.

Notwithstanding the above, going forward we shall give consideration to obtaining a second and independent medical assessment in situations where facilities are not being provided by an insurance company for repatriation especially in circumstances where the repatriation is taking place from a distant country.

## Exora Medical Limited











