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Dear Sir

**Concluded Inquest into the Death of Sofia Ann Legg
D.O.D 26 September 2016**

I write with reference to your letter dated 5 October 2017, in response to the Regulation 28 report in relation to Sofia Ann Legg.

The multi-agency Child Death Overview Panel (CDOP) held on 16 November fully considered the circumstances of Sofia's death. CDOP considered that there were a number of modifiable factors to reduce the risk of future child deaths. The following recommendations have been made:

1. Communication of crisis plans needs to be clearer for parents, with clear instructions about who to contact if there are further urgent concerns.
2. There needs to be earlier liaison with schools so that staff can be aware of issues in a school setting, particularly if a crisis plan has been put in place. Urgent support can then be sought if required.
3. CAMHS staff need to have easier access to senior medical staff so they can discuss cases that cause concern more easily.
4. SUI reports need to be phrased in a sensitive manner bearing in mind they will be made available to parents.

In discussion with the Chair of Somerset Safeguarding Children Board, the death of Sofia has been considered for a Serious Case Review (SCR). The decision of the Chair is that Sofia's death does not currently meet the threshold for an SCR.

I can however confirm that the Chair of Somerset Safeguarding Children Board has decided that Sofia's death will be the subject of a Learning Review under Working Together 2015. The scope and overview report author are in the process on being determined.

I trust this response is helpful to you, should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me in the future.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Julie Walsh". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.


Director of Children's Services