Sebastian Keith PARMAN

Sebastian Parman, aged six years old, died on 17 September 2010 as a result of pneumonia complicating influenza (H1N1) infection. Sebastian, with his parents, had presented to Geraldton Regional Hospital on multiple occasions in the three days preceding his death. The coroner reviewed a number of issues including, but not limited to, the practice of delayed prescription; delays in the provision of radiologists’ reports; the failure to diagnose and treat sepsis and septic shock; and, the employment and supervision of the paediatrician.

The Department of Health’s Coronial Review Committee has reviewed these findings and has made enquiries with relevant stakeholders to inform a response. Progress for this recommendation will be updated in the next report.