



NEW SOUTH WALES STATE CORONER'S COURT

FINDING OF CORONER
Section 22 Coroners Act 1980

Inquest held at **GLEBE** from the **3rd** to **6th** **February 2009** before me **Magistrate Malcolm MacPherson, Deputy State Coroner** concerning the death of **Donald Ian FAIRBAIRN**.

'I find that Donald Ian Fairbairn died on 23 September 2006 at Bankstown Hospital in the State of New South Wales as a result of severe hypoxia due to bilateral pneumonia and severe ischaemic heart disease.'

GIVEN under my hand and seal this 25th September 2009



Magistrate M. MacPherson
Deputy State Coroner

RECOMMENDATIONS
Section 22A Coroners Act, 1980

Inquest into the death of Donald Ian FAIRBAIRN

To: YAGOONA NURSING HOME

I recommend that Yagoona Nursing Home implement the following policies;

(a) All detected incidents must immediately be brought to the attention of the Director of Nursing, the Deputy Director of Nursing or the Registered Nurse in charge. The Director of Nursing, the Deputy Director of Nursing or the Registered Nurse in charge is then to notify the pharmacist, or the treating doctor, or an after hours doctor or is to call an ambulance, whichever is the appropriate course of action.

(b) That the staff record the medication administered to residents in the period between the admission of a resident, and the drawing up of a medication charge by a doctor, in the Progress Notes for each patient each time the medication, referred to in the Discharge Summary, is administered.

(c) That Yagoona Nursing Home report to the Coroner within six months of these recommendations outlining the changes implemented as a result of this Inquest into the death of Donald Ian Fairbairn.

Magistrate M. MacPherson
Deputy State Coroner
25th September 2009