

Statement #: 2013-2276-A Coroner: 48912 - DR Urbantke, Elizabeth CIS Case #: 2013-9045

Personal Details of Deceased

Name: [REDACTED] Gender: Female Date of Birth: [REDACTED] Age: 90 yrs
Address: 81 Fyfe AVE 2A Caressant Care NH
City: WOODSTOCK Province: ON Postal Code: N4S 8Y2

Investigation Details

Status: Final Inquest Required: No Death Pronounced: 21/Jul/2013
By what means: Natural Death Presumed:

Environments

Environment(1) PRIMARY
Date: 21/Jul/2013
Municipality: WOODSTOCK
Institution: Caressant Care (Woodstock)
Environment: LTC Facility - Nursing Home, Home for Aged
Death Factor: Natural Disease - CNS/Neurologic
Address: 81 Fyfe AVE
City: WOODSTOCK

Involvements

822 LTC Facility - Threshold

Reports Expected

Police: N Min. of Labour: N
Laboratory: N Other: N
Fire Marshal: N

Pathologist Hospital

Medical cause of death: Cerebrovascular disease
Due to / as a consequence of:
Contributing Factors: Atrial fibrillation, hypertension, previous cerebral aneurysm

Narrative

The Caressant Care Nursing Home report that a 90 year old woman had died expectedly and this was the facility's threshold case. The case was accepted for investigation under Section 10 of the Coroner's Act.

The decedent, [REDACTED], was admitted to the facility in July of 2008 after a haemorrhagic stroke secondary to an aneurysm resulting in right hemiplegia and aphasia. She also had a past medical history of coronary artery disease, macular degeneration, hypertension, dementia and hypothyroidism. Her medications were reviewed and appropriate for the diagnoses. There was a do not resuscitate order in place.

Approximately a month prior she had been admitted to the acute care hospital with a diagnosis of atrial fibrillation. Due to her previous stroke it was felt she could not be anticoagulated. She went on to have worsening of her neurological status and had a progressive decline. Upon her return to the long term care facility her treatment became palliative. Death was pronounced at 20:20 hours on July 21, 2013.

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On examination at the scene deceased was an elderly woman who appeared to be her stated age. There was no evidence of lividity nor rigor. No skin breakdown or contractures were noted. There were no signs of trauma or injury.

Given the deceased's recent diagnosis of atrial fibrillation and then worsening neurological status, it was felt the cause of death was a cerebrovascular accident.

The death register was reviewed and although there was a few pieces of missing data, no issues were identified. The staff was made aware of the registers deficiencies.

In summary, [REDACTED] was a 90 year old woman who died on July 21, 2013 at the Caressant Care Nursing Home in Woodstock of a cerebrovascular accident. The manner of death was natural.

Coroner's Signature: _____

Date: _____