



Statement #: 2011-2191-A Coroner: 48912 - DR Urbantke, Elizabeth CIS Case #: 2011-9619

Personal Details of Deceased

Name: [Redacted] Gender: Male Date of Birth: [Redacted] Age: 88 yrs Address: 81 Fyfe AVE City: WOODSTOCK Province: ON Postal Code: N4S 8Y2

Investigation Details

Status: Final Inquest Required: No Death Pronounced: 23/Jul/2011 By what means: Natural Death Presumed:

Environments

Environment(1) PRIMARY Date: 23/Jul/2011 Municipality: WOODSTOCK Institution: Caressant Care (Woodstock) Environment: LTC Facility - Nursing Home, Home for Aged Death Factor: Natural Disease - Cardiovascular - Myocardial I 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: Ischaemic heart disease

Due to / as a consequence of:

Contributing Factors: Atrial fibrillation, urinary tract infection (UTI)

Narrative

The RN at Caressant Care Nursing Home reported that they had an expected death but it was the facility's threshold death and thus the case was accepted for investigation.

The deceased, [Redacted] was an 88 year old male who was admitted to the long term care facility in March 2011. His past medical history included atrial fibrillation, a rotator cuff tear, osteoporosis, neurogenic bladder requiring indwelling catheterization, recurrent UTIs, and a left hip fracture. His medications were reviewed and appropriate for the diagnoses.

The week prior to death he had been admitted to the local acute care hospital with a UTI and was also found to be in congestive heart failure. The decision was made to make his level of care palliative. He was returned back to the care facility where he had a progressive decline in his condition with decreasing oxygen saturations. Death was pronounced by myself at 2050 hours on 23 July 2011.

Examination completed at the scene revealed an elderly male, still warm to touch with no rigor and blanching lividity. There was no evidence of contractures or skin breakdown.

The cause of death was felt to be ischaemic heart disease causing congestive heart failure.

No concerns in regards to care were expressed.

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The death register was reviewed and found to be incompletely filled out with a number of causes of death missing. The staff were directed to have this completed and provide a copy for review when done. In addition, an accidental death due to a subdural haematoma from a fall was identified for which a coroner was not called. An investigation into this case was initiated.

Coroner's Signature: _____

Date: _____