

March 22, 2019

Anne Kelly
Commissioner
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Dear Anne Kelly:

I have attached the Honourable Judge M.V. De Souza's report to the Minister of Justice and Solicitor General regarding the public fatality inquiry into the death of Kenneth William Schaer. This report will be publicly released on April 8, 2019.

The following recommendations may impact Correctional Service Canada:

- It is impossible to remove all infrastructure vulnerability from the institution; however, it is recommended that the closet/wardrobe clothes rods in cells at the institution be identified as infrastructure vulnerabilities that require mitigation and a new design. There was evidence replacing the rod in all cells is cost-prohibitive, and is being done on a staggered basis. New inmates, not having completed the intake and assessment process, should be held in cells that do not contain vulnerable infrastructure.
- Ensure timely follow-up with inmates after recurring absences from the medication line, even in the case of low-dosage, voluntary medication.

I ask that you please advise the following:

1. Whether Correctional Service Canada accepts, accepts in principle, does not accept, or has a different response to each recommendation;
2. A brief explanation of why that decision was made; and
3. If Correctional Service Canada intends to accept the recommendation, or to implement different measures, what steps will be taken in that regard.

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A response to this enquiry is not mandatory. However, be advised that any response received will be publicly released and posted on the Open Government Portal:

<https://open.alberta.ca/opendata/responses-to-public-fatality-inquiry-recommendations>.

If a response has not been received by August 8, 2019 (four months from the public release of Judge De Souza's report) that information will also be made publicly available.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Yours truly,

Original signed

Philip Bryden, Q.C.
Deputy Minister of Justice and
Deputy Solicitor General

Attachment

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From: JSG DM & Associate DM
To: Anne.Kelly@CSC-SCC.GC.ca
Subject: Public Fatality Inquiry - Kenneth W. Schaer
Attachments: AR 32704 - email to A. Kelly, Commissioner.pdf; AR 32704 - Public Fatality Inquiry - K.W. Schaer.pdf

Good morning,

Attached is a report in regards to the public fatality inquiry into the death of Kenneth William Schaer.

Thank you,

Philip Bryden, Q.C.
Deputy Minister

 Alberta Justice and
Solicitor General