



**PRAIRIE NORTH REGIONAL
HEALTH AUTHORITY**

POLICIES & PROCEDURES

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Title: Coroner Case

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PURPOSE

To ensure that staff in long term care facilities follow the Ministry of Justice Coroner’s Act and understand when to call the Coroner. This provides for independent and impartial investigation into circumstances surrounding unexpected, unnatural or unexplained deaths.

POLICY STATEMENT

Every person must report a sudden, unexplained or violent death to a Coroner. Every long term care facility has the responsibility to report such sudden, unexplained or violent deaths of the residents that the facility is responsible for their care.

DEFINITIONS

Coroner means a coroner appointed by the Minister of Justice.