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### **Adverse Event Review Reports**

This advice replaces any previous advice provided by the State Claims Agency (SCA) in respect of the above.

It is expressly a matter for an individual hospital/health enterprise to decide to conduct an adverse event review and prepare and issue a subsequent report.

The conduct of an adverse event review and the preparation of a subsequent report may take place notwithstanding the issue and service of legal proceedings in relation to the event, the subject matter of the review.

Review reports of adverse events should be sent to the SCA, for noting, at the same time the report is being issued to the patient, his/her family member/next of kin or other interested party. This should be done to ensure that the SCA, as manager of the Clinical Indemnity Scheme (CIS), is fully aware of the content and conclusions of the review, for risk and litigation management purposes.

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