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Sophie Dunstone
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Dear Ms Dunstone,

Re: Follow up from RCPA Appearance at the Senate Select Committee on Stillbirth Research and Education Enquiry

Thank you for asking the Royal College of Pathologists of Australasia to appear before the above Senate Committee.

We were asked to follow up on 2 issues:

1. Cost of Perinatal Autopsy

The costs do vary greatly depending on the complexity of the autopsy. One major public service charge \$2,500 per autopsy.

2. Northern Territory Perinatal Autopsy performed in Brisbane

The files were reviewed and only one was identified (2003) over the last 15 years.

Yours sincerely

Dr Debra Graves
Chief Executive Officer