



MENTAL HEALTH – Time for action

To whom it may concern,

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Mental Health – Time for Action Foundation

(Registered Charity Number 1191319)

fully supports the call by Melanie Leahy and the other 74 Essex families (and growing) calling for a Statutory Public Inquiry into Essex Mental Health Services.

Despite continuous attempts over a number of years, Melanie and other families have been unable to access any evidence uncovered by Essex Police during their corporate manslaughter investigation and continue to be refused documents held by the trust itself.

Until services are open and honest about failings, staff are interviewed under oath and are held fully accountable and services adhere to contractual Duty of Candour, we will continue to witness unexplained deaths of the most vulnerable in society.

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Chair MHTFA

on behalf of the trustees