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CORONERS ACT 2010 (ACT 14 OF 2010)

CORONERS (RECORDS RETENTION) REGULATION 2012

ARRANGEMENT OF REGULATIONS

Regulation

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In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 8(1) and 49 of the Coroners Act 2010, the Minister for Law hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Coroners (Records Retention) Regulations 2012 and shall come into operation on 20th April 2012.

Prescribed period for preservation of medical records, etc.

2. For the purposes of section 8(1) of the Act, the prescribed period shall be 6 years commencing from the time of death of any person occurring on or after 20th April 2012.

Types and form of records and documents to be retained

- **3.**—(1) The medical records and health-care records required by section 8(1) of the Act to be retained shall be
 - (a) inscribed, stored or otherwise fixed on a tangible medium; or
 - (b) stored in an electronic or other medium,

and shall be retrievable in perceivable form.

- (2) The other documents required by section 8(1) of the Act to be retained shall include, in addition to a document in writing
 - (a) any graph or drawing;
 - (b) any photograph;
 - (c) any label, marking or other writing which identifies or describes anything of which it forms a part, or to which it is attached by any means whatsoever;
 - (d) any disc, tape, sound-track or other device in which sounds or other data (not being visual images) are embodied so as to be capable (with or without the aid of some other equipment) of being reproduced therefrom;
 - (e) any film (including microfilm), negative, tape, disc or other device in which one or more visual images are embodied so as to be capable (with or without the aid of some other equipment) of being reproduced therefrom; and
 - (f) any paper or other material on which there are marks, impressions, figures, letters, symbols or perforations having a meaning for persons qualified to interpret them.

Made this 19th day of April 2012.

PANG KIN KEONG Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Law, Singapore.

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