From the office of the Minister  
Hon. D Ashford, MHK

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Dear Mr President, Mr Speaker and Honourable Members

At the 30 June sitting of House of Keys, the Department were asked the following question:

How many island residents lost their lives in each of the past five years (including 2020 to date) broken down by causes linked to: (a) Alcohol misuse; (b) illegal drug consumption; (c) tobacco use; (d) cardiovascular disease; (d) cancer; (e) sepsis and other blood infection; (f) diabetes; (g) medical negligence; (h) road traffic accidents; (i) participation in the TT festival, whether as competitor or visitor; (j) participation in the Classic TT, whether as competitor or visitor; (k) suicide; (l) road traffic accident; (m) medical negligence; (n) breach of duty of care by: (i) institutional carer; and (ii) medical practitioner and health professional; (o) old age; (p) other substance misuse; (q) other disease or illness; and (r) other physical injury or accident.

With regards to section (g) and (m) medical negligence, I advised at the time that this information would take a little longer to find and that it would follow in a month’s time.

I can now advise that from the information available to us today via systems and consultation with the relevant service managers/leads, there have been no deaths as a result of proven clinical negligence in the last 5 years.

Yours sincerely

Hon. David Ashford, MHK  
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