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Kinect Australia extends their deepest sympathies to the family of Dave Thomas and supports the findings of the Victorian Coroner.

The Victorian Coroner's report on Wednesday 17 August 2011, concerning the tragic death of 29 year old Dave Thomas in a gymnasium in 2007, is an important reminder of the need for registration and accreditation in the fitness industry.

Kinect Australia has registered fitness instructors since 1987 and there are currently 3,500 registered with us in Victoria. For many years Kinect Australia's registration requirements have included a current CPR certificate as mandatory.

The Coroner's findings suggest that more can, and should be done to ensure public safety in gymnasia, and we are keen to work with the government and fitness professionals to achieve this outcome.

We welcome the Coroner's recommendation that fitness facilities have registered professionals in attendance at all times. If members of the public want to confirm the registration of their fitness professional or obtain any other information they can contact us.

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