



ROOT CAUSE ANALYSIS EXERCISE : LC Case

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Background:

On 20/02/04 the Coroners Inquest concluded its findings on the circumstances nature and cause of the tragic death of Lucy Crawford. Aspects of the clinical care are currently subject to consideration by the GMC, after referral by the Coroner. The Trust is co-operating fully with the GMC in this regard.

It has been acknowledged, in the course of the management of this case, that a number of process and systems issues warrant examination and reflection.

This proposed Root Cause Analysis (RCA) exercise is being commissioned for this purpose.

Principles:

This exercise will be:

- ◆ overseen by a Steering group established by the Trust Chairman (membership set out below)
- ◆ undertaken in a manner to provide independent analysis
- ◆ focused on the Trust's process and systems, as per the agreed scope set out below
- ◆ used to inform regional authorities, as appropriate, of any relevant/pertinent lessons for wider dissemination
- ◆ undertaken in a way to ensure early transference of lessons emerging from the analysis rather than await final report production.