

Form 20

CORONERS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1959

Deposition of Witness taken on the FEBRUARY, at inquest touching the death of LUCY CRAWFORD, before me MR J L LECKEY Coroner for the District of GREATER BELFAST as follows to wit:-

The Deposition of DR AISLING KIRBY

of who being sworn upon HER oath, saith

I, Aisling Kirby, am a registered General Practitioner and have been practising at 75 Main Street, Derrylin for the past thirteen years. I was "on-call" for WESTDOC at Tempo Road, Enniskillen on the evening of 12 April 2000 from 18.00-24.00hrs. I recall seeing Lucy that evening for what I believe was the first and only time. The typed record from Westdoc show that a contact was made on Lucy's behalf at 18.38. As a result, either myself or the GP on duty with me would have phoned Lucy's parents back to get the details of the problem. The typed record does not say which doctor made the call and I personally do not recall. The message received however was that Lucy was "unwell all weekend - vomited yesterday and today - spiking temps - breathing quite fast - has slept all day." They were advised to bring Lucy to the centre for examination. The typed record, records that my consultation with Lucy and her family began at 19.25 and ended at 19.46 hrs. I ascertained from her Mum that Lucy was not drinking, that she was lethargic and that she had a temperature, which was not responding to Calpol. On examination Lucy was drowsy and "floppy" in her Mother's arms.

Temperature: 38 degrees

Heart rate: 120/min

Respiratory Rate: 60/min

The mucosa of her mouth was moist. Examination of her ears, throat, heart, lungs and abdomen was entirely normal. As I could not find any

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localizing signs, I queried that she could well have a Urinary Tract Infection. I arranged her admission to Children's Ward at the Erne Hospital. Reasons for admission on the referral letter: "needs fluids."

TAKEN before me this

Coroner for the District of Greater Belfast

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