

**NAME OF CHILD: Adam Strain**

**Name: Patrick Keane**

**Title: Mr**

**Present position and institution: Consultant Urologist Belfast City Hospital Trust**

**Previous position and institution: Same**

*[As at the time of the child's death]*

**Membership of Advisory Panels and Committees:**

**Chairman of the urological sub group of the EHSSB cancer services Review 1999**

**Member of the Scientific Reference Group of the Prostate Cancer Risk Management Programme 2001-**

*[Identify by date and title all of those between January 1995-December 2004]*

**Previous Statements, Depositions and Reports:**

*[Identify by date and title all those made in relation to the child's death]*

**OFFICIAL USE:**

**List of previous statement, depositions and reports attached:**

<b>Ref:</b>	<b>Date:</b>	
001-006-042	11.12.95	Statement
011-016-105	18.06.96	Deposition at the Inquest on Adam Strain
		Transcript of oral evidence at the Inquest on Adam Strain

**Particular areas of interest**

*[Please attach additional sheets if more space is required]*

**1. Describe in detail your role in the preparation for the transplant surgery on Adam, including:**

- (i) meetings with other medical personnel; and**
- (ii) information sought and provided to other medical personnel.**

## 1. (i) &amp; (ii)

Prior to the transplant surgery on Adam, I spoke on several occasions to Dr Savage, Consultant Nephrologist, who was responsible for Adam's pre-operative and post-operative dialysis management. I cannot recall specific details of the discussions I had with Dr Savage, however, as would have been my customary practice, I believe that our conversations would have included reference to (a) Adam's medical condition; (b) the cause of Adam's renal problems; (c) Adam's medical history; (d) Adam's mother's consent and (e) planning and setting up of the transplant procedure.

Prior to the surgery, I believe I would also have spoken with Mr Brown, Consultant Paediatric Surgeon. Again, given the time that has passed since, I am unable to recall specific details of our discussion. Mr Brown was assisting during the transplant operation and therefore it is likely that I would have spoken to him about Adam's case and the timing of the surgery.

I would also have spoken with Dr Taylor, Consultant Anaesthetist. I cannot recall any specific details of our conversation, however, I consider it likely, as is my customary practice, that I would have spoken to him about Adam's surgery and the timing of the anaesthetic.

In summary, I sought all relevant clinical information from these clinicians and discussed the preparation for, and timing of, the transplant.

**2. Describe in detail the course of the transplant surgery, including:**

- (i) your own actions;**
- (ii) the condition of the transplant kidney at the completion of surgery; and**
- (iii) the condition of Adam at the completion of the surgery.**

## 2. (i)

Given the time that has passed, I am unable to recall any specific details of the operation, however, my contemporaneous operation note reads as follows: The operation note is written in the clinical notes and not on a separate sheet as was the practice at that time.

Cadaver Transplant

P Keane	Surgeon
S Brown	Surgeon
Bob Taylor	Anaesthetist

Incision      Right muscle split RIF (Right Iliac Fossa)

Findings      Adhesions to previous reimplant (previous surgery)  
                   Normal calibre vessels  
                   Pelvis of right kidney overlying external iliac vein

Procedure      2 arteries on widely separated patch joined with 6/0 prolene  
 Vein (renal) to external iliac (vein)  
 Arterial patch sutured to external iliac (artery) with 6/0 prolene  
 Ureter reimplanted by small submucosal tunnel  
 (size) 8 Feeding tube (splint for ureter)  
 (size) 14 Malecot (bladder catheter)

Closure          Vicryl  
 Catgut  
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 PDS

Kidney perfused reasonably at end

2. (ii)

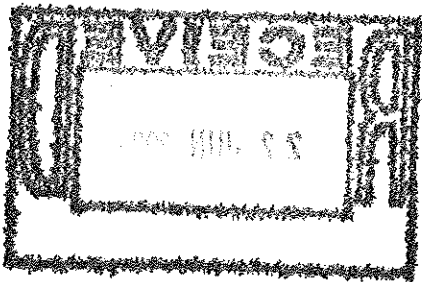
At the completion of the surgery, the transplanted kidney had pulsatile flow in the artery and was perfusing.

2. (iii)

At the completion of his surgery, Adam was in a satisfactory condition. I was called to an emergency at the Belfast City Hospital and Mr Brown, Consultant Paediatric Surgeon, closed Adam's wound. Adam was stable when I left, 10 minutes prior to the end of the anaesthesia.

**Other points you wish to make including additions to any previous Statements, Depositions and or Reports**

*[Please attach additional sheets if more space is required]*



**THIS STATEMENT IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF**

**Signed:** *Patrick J Keane*

**Dated:** *10/6/05*