

# STATEMENT OF WITNESS

STATEMENT OF: PETER CREAN REGISTERED MEDICAL PRACTITIONER

*Name*

OVER 21

*Rank*

AGE OF WITNESS (if over 21 enter "over 21"): \_\_\_\_\_

**NOT SIGNED IN POLICE OFFICER'S PRESENCE**

I declare that this statement consisting of \_\_\_\_\_ pages, each signed by me is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence at a preliminary enquiry or at the trial of any person, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

*P. Crean*

**SIGNATURE OF MEMBER by whom  
statement was recorded or received**

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Re: Lucy Crawford (deceased) DOB: 05/11/98

I am a registered medical practitioner and was appointed to the Royal Belfast Hospital for Sick Children as a consultant in paediatric anaesthesia and intensive care in 1984. I qualified from Queen's University, Belfast and my qualifications are MB, BCH, BAO, FFARCSI.

This is a report of my involvement in the care of Lucy Crawford. I looked after her in the Paediatric Intensive Care Unit, Royal Belfast Hospital for Sick Children on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2000.

Lucy Crawford was a 17 month old girl who was transferred from the Erne Hospital in the early hours of Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2000 to the Paediatric Intensive Care Unit in the Royal Belfast Hospital for Sick Children. She had a history of being unwell since Tuesday, and was admitted to the Erne Hospital on the Wednesday evening with a history of poor oral intake, vomiting and an increased temperature. Her Sodium level on admission was 137mmol/L. She was given intravenous fluids in the Ward, however at approximately 0300 hours on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2000 she developed a seizure and was given rectal diazepam. Also her breathing became erratic and she stopped breathing. Her sodium level at this time was 127mmol/L. It was necessary for Lucy to intubated and ventilated. It was noted that before leaving the Erne Hospital her pupils were dilated and unreactive.

On arrival at the Children's Hospital she was mechanically ventilated and soon required drugs to maintain her blood pressure. Her sodium level after arrival was 145mmol/L. She remained completely unresponsive and I was able to change her breathing tube without the aid of any medications. I arranged for her to be seen by Dr Hanrahan, Consultant Paediatric Neurologist in the Children's Hospital. Sadly, Lucy died the following day, 14<sup>th</sup> April 2000. At this time she was under the care of my consultant colleague, Dr Chisakuta.

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*P. Crean*