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Marie Dunne - Commun. Mgr

From: Baxter, Clare [Clare.Baxter@]
Sent: 18 October 2004 10:28
To: Marie Dunne - Commun. Mgr
Subject: RE: Lucy Crawford

They're doing a one-hour special on Thursday night and in their listing they have described it as: "Tonight's special hour-long Insight Investigation details how Lucy Crawford was killed by medical incompetence and her death covered up"

Trying to speak to one of our doctors to see which two deaths the guidelines refer to - I think one was Adam Strain who was a very ill child. Will let you know.

Clare

-----Original Message-----

From: Marie Dunne - Commun. Mgr [mailto:MDunne@]
Sent: 18 October 2004 10:18
To: Baxter, Clare
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Hmmm. Should the response have been "At the time of Raychel Ferguson's death, I was not aware of any other death...etc.??

It's getting very nasty. Do you need anything more from me? Is the broadcast date still this Thursday? They usually trail these things in advance but I haven't seen anything yet. Our CEX has been asking me about the broadcast date.

Marie

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From: Baxter, Clare [mailto:Clare.Baxter@]
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To: 'jhall@'; Marie Dunne - Commun. Mgr
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More questions from Trevor Birney

Clare

-----Original Message-----

From: Trevor Birney [mailto:tbirney@]
Sent: 18 October 2004 09:46
To: Baxter, Clare
Cc: roreilly@
Subject: RE: Lucy Crawford

Clare,

Thanks again for your help.

However, following the CMO's reply, I've got another question:

On Friday, Dr. Campbell stated:

"At the time of the interview for the UTV Insight programme on Raychel Ferguson on 17 February 2003, I was not aware of any other death from hyponatraemia in a normal, healthy child in Northern Ireland."

Clare,

Below is the question for the CMO as discussed.

As the Department is aware, we are currently working on an Insight programme examining the death of Lucy Crawford. We intend broadcasting it within the next few weeks.

In the meantime, you can contact me at [REDACTED] if you have any queries.

Question for Dr. Henrietta Campbell:

1. Was the Hyponatraemia Working Group, set up in June 2001, in any way related to the death of Lucy Crawford?

I would appreciate a reply at your earliest convenience.

Best wishes,
Trevor.

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