

## Appendix

27.4.00 - Wk Fee.

Enclosed please find a factual account of  
the sequence of events in relation to Lucy Crawford's  
care, where I was involved.

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I am an Errolled Nurse working on Childrens Ward, Exe Hospital. I met Lucy Crawford and her parents following our handover from the day staff.

I was giving out the evening suppers at 8.30pm. I offered Mrs & Mrs Crawford a cup of tea and a drink of juice for Lucy. I went on with my trolley to give supper to the rest of the children on the ward.

I really had very little to do with Lucy until Mrs Crawford 'buzzed' in Cubicle 6 at 2.20 a.m. Lucy had a dirty nappy, some had got on the sheets, so Mum changed the nappy and I changed the sheets. The nappy was very foul smelling, the large nappy was very runny & very yellow in colour, it was very offensive. At that Sr. Edmondson arrived into Cubicle 6, she commented on the smell, then she spoke to Mrs Crawford.

Mother settled Lucy down, she gave me a little glance, but Mum said she was very tired. Mum then got into bed herself.

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I put the nappy into the sluice room. I went & reported the nappy to SR McNamara, she advised me to move Lucy and her mum to a sideward.

2.30 am. I returned to Cabin 6 and explained to Mrs. Crawford, that she would be better off in a sideroom when she had diarrhoea. Mrs. Crawford agreed and herself and I pushed the cot & Lucy & the IV fluids up the floor to sideward no. 10. I moved the bed in the room over so that I could put the cot in. I went back down the ward and brought up their belongings. Mum settled Lucy down and then got into bed herself. I assured Mrs. Crawford that we would be popping in and out to check on Lucy through the night, but if she wanted us she could 'buzz' and I showed her where to push the buzzer.

7.30 am I went to the Treatment room, got 3 blue top bottles, went to the sluice room and scooped 3 specimens from the nappy. 1 for RotaVirus 1 for Adno virus and 1 for cl. I disposed of the

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nappy, then returned to the office to write out my forms.

2.55 am. The buzzer sounded in sideward 10. I went down and met Mrs Crawford in the doorway. "Nurse help Lucy help Lucy" was her words. Lucy appeared pale and rigid. I took the child and laid her in her cot, I stepped to the doorway and called loudly on S/NR MC Manus, she came immediately followed a couple of minutes later by S/N T. Jones. I passed the O<sup>2</sup> mask to S/NR MC Manus and turned on the O<sup>2</sup>, I went out off the room and bleeped Dr Malik via switchboard, he came promptly. I went back to the room, S/NR MC Manus asked me to go and get PR dejeepar, this I did. On returning to the room, I helped S/NR MC Manus Jones to remove the bed from the room. I then pushed down the emergency trolley. I reassured the mother.

Then Dr O'Donoghue arrived followed approx 20 minutes later by Dr. Auterson. I was sent to the lab with blood. When I returned I was asked to go to Wd 5 for a drug.

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When I returned, I stayed with the family outside on the corridor outside the room. I also stayed in close proximity to the room to be able to get any further equipment required.

4.40am. Lucy was moved to F.C.U.  
SN Jones & doctors accompanied her.

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