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Media statement from Sperrin Lakeland Trust

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Further to Mr Mills call on Friday, please find attached a statement from Sperrin Lakeland Trust.

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## PRESS STATEMENT TO UTV

The Trust deeply regret the death of Lucy Crawford and would wish again to express their heartfelt apologies to her family.

We would wish to assure the people of our local community that the systems which contributed to Lucy's death in April 2000 have been changed and improved.

In view of the ongoing examination by the General Medical Council and the ongoing detailed review of the Trust's handling of Lucy's death, we feel it would be inappropriate for the Trust to comment further at this time.

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# PRESS STATEMENT

The Sperrin Lakeland Health and Social Care Trust has been advised that the General Medical Council (GMC) has now referred Dr Jarlath O'Donohoe Consultant Paediatrician at the Erne Hospital Enniskillen, to its Professional Conduct Committee. The GMC has placed no restrictions on Dr O'Donohoe's practice. We will continue to fully co-operate with the GMC.

The GMC is the professional body responsible for the registration and regulation of Doctors and their practice.

The Trust would, again, wish to reassure our community that the systems which contributed to Lucy Crawford's tragic death in April 2000 have been changed and improved.

Dr O'Donohoe has worked at the Erne Hospital since 1997 and has contributed to developing and sustaining children's services.

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## Editors note

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### • Role of GMC

The General Medical Council licenses doctors to practice medicine in the UK. The law gives the GMC four main functions:

- keeping up-to-date registers of qualified doctors
- fostering good medical practice
- promoting high standards of medical education
- dealing firmly and fairly with doctors whose fitness to practice is in doubt