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Dear Jack

TRAINING IN FLUID ADMINISTRATION

A number of recent coroner's inquests have highlighted the need for better training in the fluid administration and management; particularly in children.

As part of a strategy to address this problem I would be pleased if you would ask the training committees to consider this as a priority area. We have developed guidelines for fluid maintenance and replacement which should form the basis of a training programme. Many units have also included fluid management in their audit programme and it is essential that doctors in training participate in such audits.

Yours sincerely

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