## **CORONERS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1959**

**Deposition of Witness** taken on WEDNESDAY the 26TH day of MAY 2004, at inquest touching the death of CONOR MITCHELL, before me MR J L LECKEY Coroner for the District of GREATER BELFAST as follows to wit:-

The Deposition of Staff NURSE F J LAVERY of CRAIGAVON AREA HOSPITAL who being sworn upon her oath, saith

- 1. I am a Staff Nurse with Craigavon Area Hospital
- 2. I was on duty on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2003.

- I remember that Conor's grandmother was very anxious and his mother was also concerned. I spoke with Conor's mother and ascertained that her concerns were related to Conor not getting his IV fluids.
- 4. I can't remember anything specific regarding Conor, I dealth with his mother's concerns regarding IV fluids. I provided psychological support to the mother over that period of time.
- 5. The family expressed concerns relating to the IV fluids, I cannot remember them expressing any concerns about spasms.
- 6. I wrote the comment on the fluid chart in relation to the spasms, the entry was made at between 2.00 p.m. and 3.00 p.m. I know that I must have told Dr Totten as I have written so on the chart, but I can't remember the detail.

TAKEN before me this 26TH day of MAY 2004

Coroner for the District of Greater Belfast

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#### CONTINUATION OF DEPOSITION RE STAFF NURSE F.J. LAVERY

Neither mother or grandmother mentioned spasms or seizures. I did not see a rash, brown fluid or a puffy or swollen face. I was not responsible for the drip and I was unaware of what the fluid management was.

Mr. McKinley: If was first asked to prepare a statement yesterday. The only written record is the Nursing Record. I made the entry against my signature on P59 otherwise I have very little recollection of the events. It took 3 calls for Dr. Totten to come to re-sike the canula. As Conor was dehydrated IV fluids were important. I don't recall any concerns being express about spasms. I have no recollection. I did not make the 2.00 p.m. call to the doctor. I made the 2.30 call of my own volition. I made the 2.45 call following a conversation with Conor's mother. Between 2.00 p.m. and 3.00 p.m. Dr. Totten was informed of spasms. I do not know who made the call. I made the note on the Fluid Chart at P.31. Possibly I could have made the call but I cannot recall. I do not know why this note was not made in the Nursing Records. These are usually kept at the Nursing Station. The Fluid Chart is kept separate form these. The medical notes are kept in a separate trolley in the ward. I cannot recall precise details of where each was on this day. I cannot recall how long I was involved with Conor.

Mr. Millar: Seven staff would have been on duty that afternoon. I cannot remember Conor as a patient but I can remember the family. I remained on duty until 4.45 p.m. I have no recollection of the situation in relation to Conor as described by the family. It would have been an unusual happening and I think I would have remembered it. I do not recall Dr. Nicholson. If the family's version had been correct I would have noted it.

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