

24 October 2006

Dear Doctor Sumner

RE – Your Report on Raychel Ferguson

Can I ask you to address in a further report the following matters:

1. What is your understanding of the relative responsibilities of the surgeons, anaesthetists and paediatricians in relation to the duty of care owed to Raychel?
2. Can you elaborate on your comment that the circumstances exhibited a "system failure".
3. Please review the period from 0315-0630 on 9th. Can you advise on:
 - (i) was hyponatraemia identified sufficiently swiftly and addressed appropriately;
 - (ii) was every step taken to retrieve Raychel's situation?
 - (iii) was the gap between the two blood tests excessive and harmful.
4. Please expand on Points 2, 5, 6, 7 – was the initial prescription correct? Should it have been changed, and if so, when?
5. Please advise on the roles of Doctors Curran and Devlin.

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6. Could more have been done in the late evening of 8th June, as described in Point 8 of your report? What could or should have been done?

Other points will emerge in our discussions on which we will seek your clarification.

Yours sincerely

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