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Peter

Thank you for the additional reports, which I have looked at. I would like to mention the following relevant issues:

Dr Webb states on page 14 "Claire's hyponatraemia led to her developing cerebral oedema (brain herniation). The swollen brain will herniate downwards resulting in brain stem compression and cardio-respiratory arrest".

This seems to me a clear statement that Dr Webb believes that hyponatraemia played a significant part in Claire's death. Dr Webb indicates elsewhere in his statement that he believes that responsibility for Claire's fluid management lay with the medical team.

Dr Webb also draws attention to the failure to take an electrolyte sample on the morning following Claire's admission, which he states was routine practice. In addition, he states that he believed at the time that such a sample had been taken, and that if he had been aware that the sodium of 132 had been taken the previous evening that he would have requested an urgent repeat.

These are substantial issues which were not fully discussed during our meeting this morning, and which could certainly become significant at the inquest.

Best wishes

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Please find attached the following documents for your information:

1. Dr Steen's statement
2. Dr Webb's statement
3. Dr Sands statements
4. Post Mortem Report

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5. Dr Machonochie's report

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