

## The Inquiry into Hyponatraemia-related Deaths

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Our Ref: AD-0344-12

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Dear Ms Bolton,

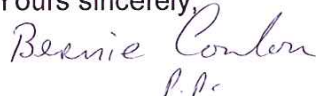
**Re: Investigation into the death of Adam Strain**

We refer to previous correspondence on the issue of Dr Keane's departure from the Royal towards the end of Adam's transplant operation on foot of a call to go to the BCH urgently. In a statement he has identified the precise procedure which he was called to become involved in. Your letter of 27 February states, in effect, that your instructions are that Theatre 6 was the only theatre equipped to carry out the procedure in question. On that basis we have obtained the theatre log for Theatre 6 from the PSNI. It does indeed show Mr Keane being present but, curiously, apparently not for the procedure which he referred to in some detail in his statement. A copy of that log is attached. We have not anonymised it at this stage since it is your client's document so you will see in full the various entries which do and do not refer to Mr Keane.

If you can shed any more light on this issue we would be grateful. I have to say however that we have not pursued the other theatre logs in light of the specific information in your letter of 27 February. If it becomes an issue we may have to recall witnesses and seek further documents which would be both costly and time consuming. Accordingly your cooperation is invited.

A copy of this letter, the log and the preceding correspondence is being sent to Mr Keane's solicitors on the same basis.

Yours sincerely,



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