



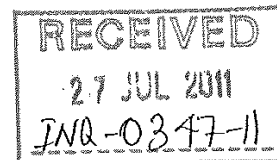
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Dear Madam

INQUIRY INTO HYPONATRAEMIA RELATED DEATHS

I refer to your letter of 2 June 2011.

In relation to bullet point 4 of the Trust's letter to the Inquiry dated 30 July 2010, Adam Strain's death would have been discussed at the Paediatric Directorate Clinical Audit meeting in December 1995. The Minutes of this meeting have not been retained. All the Trust Audit Meetings from that period should have been destroyed by now in accordance with Trust Policy, however a few random Minutes have survived. I enclose the Audit Minutes for the meeting before (8 November 1995) and the next meeting for which Minutes still exist (9 February 1996). The Trust has confirmed that individual cases are never itemised. These Minutes are titled "Clinical Audit Meeting" and "Medical Audit Meeting", however the different headings refer to the same single monthly meeting. As stated at bullet point 4 of the Trust's letter to the Inquiry dated 30 July 2010, paediatricians and paediatric anaesthetists attend the same RBHSC audit meeting. Therefore RBHSC Audit Meeting Minutes cover both bullet point 4 and 5 of the Inquiry's letter dated 7 July 2010.

With regard to the reference to the Memorandum at bullet point 5 of the Trust's letter to the Inquiry dated 30 July 2010, this has been addressed in my letter dated 24 November 2010 in response to the Inquiry's letter dated 27 October 2010.

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