The Inquiry into Hyponatraemia-related Deaths

Chairman: Mr John O'Hara QC

Ms Angela Crawford
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Your Ref: NSCB04/1

Our Ref: AD-0377-12

Date: 30th May 2012

Dear Ms Crawford,

Re Investigation into the death of Adam Strain

I refer to the above.

With reference to the Royal Hospitals Annual Report 1995-96, I would be grateful if you would provide me with some additional information. I refer below to the particular pages of the Report in respect of which my queries arise.

1. Page 2

- What is the Hospital Council;
- · Who or what comprises it;
- · What is its function;
- To whom or what is it accountable/ responsible;
- · Please provide all documents relating to the same

2. Page 23

- What is the Statement of Intent;
- Please provide documentation/ details regarding the same.

3. Page 30

- Was a unified laboratory service procured?
- Please provide all details/ documentation regarding the same;
- What are the benchmarking exercises?
- Please provide all details/ documentation regarding the same.

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4. Page 33

Please provide all details in respect of implementing quality standards protocols;

5. Page 53

Please provide all details/ documentation of the "assurances" provided to the Board by the Chairman of the Audit Committee.

6. Page 56

Please provide all details/ documentation of the accountable officer memorandum

I would be grateful for your response before Friday 8th June 2012. I am grateful for your ongoing cooperation and assistance.

Yours sincerely,

Anne Dillon

Solicitor to the Inquiry