

The Inquiry into Hyponatraemia-related Deaths

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Your Ref: NSCB04/1
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Our Ref: AD-0527-13

Date: 15th February 2013

Dear Ms Crawford,

Re Raychel Ferguson

I refer to the above.

In his 12th November 2002 report for the Trust, Dr John Jenkins stated: *"In particular information needs to be obtained regarding the local policy for post-operative fluid administration in children. Was the prescribed regime in this case in keeping with this guidance? If it can be confirmed ... then in my opinion their actions do not amount to negligence"* (Ref: 317-009-003).

It does not seem that he received that information by the time he provided his second report (Ref: 317-009-005).

I would be grateful if your client would inform me whether Dr Jenkins' query was responded to and if so what that response was. I also ask for a copy of the DLS letter to Dr. Jenkins dated 23rd January 2003 that is referred to in his report of 27th January 2003 (Ref: 317-009-004).

Given the proximity of the reconvened oral hearings, I ask for your response by Wednesday 20th February 2013.

Yours sincerely,



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