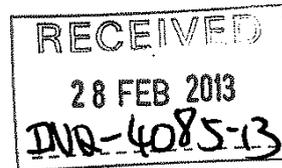


Your Ref:
BC-0184-13

Our Ref:
HYPW50/1

Date:
28th February 2013

Ms A Dillon
Solicitor to the Inquiry
Inquiry into Hyponatraemia-related Deaths
Arthur House
41 Arthur Street
Belfast
BT1 4GB



Dear Madam

RE: INQUIRY INTO HYPONATRAEMIA RELATED DEATHS- R FERGUSON

We refer to the above matter and to your letter dated 19th February 2013, reference as quoted above. We confirm having located the draft statement of Mr Zafar dated 22nd March 2002. The only copy which has been found is in the DLS Inquest file.

We claim Legal Professional Privilege in relation to the content of the DLS Inquest file but, in the spirit of attempting to assist the Inquiry and as this document would have originally been located in the Trust file, we are prepared to waive privilege in relation to the above-mentioned document, a copy of which our Mr Johnston can make available to you at Banbridge today.

We would also advise that Mr Zafar had been sent a copy of Dr Johnston's statement as it was clear from his draft statement that he had only dealt with the morning ward round and not with the events which occurred after 3.15am on 9th June 2001. It was felt that Mr Zafar should have the opportunity to comment upon (by agreeing or disagreeing with) the description of events as provided by Dr Johnston in his statement.

Yours faithfully


Wendy Beggs
Assistant Chief Legal Adviser
Providing Support to Health and Social Care



INVESTOR IN PEOPLE

**Terese Brown(MRS)
Risk Management Co-Ordinator
Altnagelvin Hospital Londonderry**

**Dr M H Zafar
SHO
General Surgery**

22 March 2002

**RISK MANAGEMENT
25 MAR 2002
OFFICE**

Dear Mrs Terese

Ref- Rachel Ferguson DOB 4 Feb 1992

I saw Rachael Ferguson on 8 June 2001, who had Appendectomy operation on 7 June 2001.

On my ward round she was free of pain and apyrexial, plane was in continuous observation.

M H Zafar ZAFAR (DR)