

St. John's Health Centre
Nursing Group (MUSNG)
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Excerpt : Eugene Fee provided update

5. Update on Recent Inquest	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Eugene referred to the recent Inquest within Sperrin Lakeland Trust relating to the death of a 17-month old child. This case has been highly publicised in the media over the last number of months.▪ Eugene went on to share with members some of the lessons learned which included:<ul style="list-style-type: none">- <i>Clinical</i> – the need to involve the patient/parent in the assessment and care plan. Such documents are critical elements of care and are important evidence in litigation cases;- <i>Organisational</i> – incorporate learning from clinical incidents;- <i>Regional</i> – need for arrangements to be put in place to secure an independent opinion on a case. These need to be agreed and applied on a regional basis. There also needs to be
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		<p>consistency of approach in transfer of patient information.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Currently PriceWaterhouseCoopers is leading a Review into the Reporting of Clinical Incidents. At present no reporting mechanism is in place in NI or UK.▪ Glynis thanked Eugene for sharing the information in such an open manner.	