

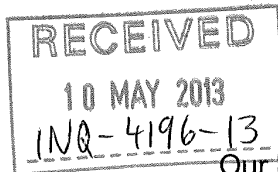


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Dear Madam,

RE: INQUIRY INTO HYPONATRAEMIA RELATED DEATHS – RAYCHEL FERGUSON

I refer to the above matter and to your letter dated 11th April 2013.

I am instructed that any reference by Mr. Robert Gilliland in his evidence to "Clinical Director meetings" would have been a reference to the Surgical Directorate meetings. These meetings were chaired by the then Clinical Director of Surgery, Dr Paul Bateson. Mr Gilliland advises that matters pertaining to the running of the surgical unit would have been discussed at these meetings, for example medical staffing, recruitment, teaching, training, new policies etc.

Mr. Gilliland does not have any notes, records or minutes of these meetings nor can he recall whether any such documents would have been created. He believes that a record of any decisions arising from these meetings would have been made. However he does not hold any such documentation. As you are aware Dr Paul Bateson is now deceased and the Trust is unable to confirm whether any notes, records or minutes of these meetings were taken or retained by him.

Yours faithfully

Joanna Bolton
Solicitor Consultant

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