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Dear Mr McLoughlin,

Inquiry into Hyponatraemia-related Deaths Raychel Ferguson (Lucy Crawford Aftermath)

Thank you for your letter of 14 May 2013. As Alison Magill advised in her email of 15 May, she received my email of Thursday 4 April at 13:39 enclosing Dr Taylor's answer to your original letter.

In relation to the other points you raise, Dr Taylor has advised me as follows: -

There was a guideline on the transfer of critically ill infants and children developed in the late 1990's by the Paediatric Benchmarking group. Dr Taylor took this to a SCLG meeting as requested by them and the SCLG members endorsed their "guideline". It was never written or produced by the SCLG but by the (Royal) Belfast HSC Trust. Can we suggest you contact the Trust to obtain a copy and to confirm when the "guidelines" were drafted and issued? The development of the Meningococcal and Bronchiolitis guidelines was achieved by the SCLG.

Yours sincerely,

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