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(A) SET UP TODAY (WITH ME)**PHOTO MUM**

It's been nearly fifteen years since her mother passed away - and Gillian Mackenzie has worked tirelessly ever since, to get answers.

She's always felt the 91 year old shouldn't have died - at Gosport War Memorial Hospital.

(B) GILLIAN SOT

"I went to the Police because what I thought happened to my mother I didn't want it to happen to anybody else. And that's one of the reasons why I am still fighting."

(C) 2001 ARCHIVE

When ITV Meridian first spoke to Gillian Mackenzie - she'd submerged herself in law books.

(D) SOT FROM 2001

"I have no problem at all with death. But I do have a problem with the manner in which my mother - I wouldn't say was pushed - I would say was shuffled to death."

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(E) EXTERIOR OF GWMH**DAEULUS SIGN
HOSPITAL BED**

Gladys Richards was admitted in August 1998 - having broken her hip. And was being cared for on the Daedulus Ward But her condition rapidly deteriorated.

(F) PTC - GREEN SCREEN. See**Amanda Smith****PTC GFX -**

The Police began investigating Gladys Richards' death in 1998 - when they were contacted by her daughter.

This confidential document shows a medical expert they brought in, concluded the drugs were prescribed - **in a manner as to cause her death.**

And - as a result of being given these drugs, Mrs Richards **was unlawfully killed.**"

Further investigations led the police to decide the expert's conclusions were **"flawed"**.

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But a further medical report from Professor Brian Livesey - in 2001 said, he felt - **Mrs Richards's death was directly attributable to the administration of the drugs.**

And for this inquest - Professor Robin Ferner's report claims the drugs given - "**hastened her demise**".

(G) Archive of CHI meeting

The Commission for Health Improvement investigated what drugs were being prescribed at the War Memorial Hospital around this time. It found there'd been a failure in patient care.

(H) ARCHIVE SOT

CHI "It would appear from the report I was absolutely right, wrong drugs were given to people who were there for rehabilitation. They were sedated, they were dehydrated. The care was far below par."

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(I) ARCHIVE OF ME AND GILLIAN

HOTEL MEETING OF ACTION

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From her home in Eastbourne - Gillian

DEATH CERTIFICATES HOSPITAL

Mackenzie was determined to find out more about mother's death.

PHOTO OF GLADYS

When her case was publicised 92 other families came forward - with concerns about relatives who'd died at the hospital.

A previous inquest into 10 of them - found that drugs were a contributory factor for some of them.

Mrs McKenzie says her mother's stay was only meant to be short-term.

(J) SOT FROM GILLIAN

"On the medical file at Haslar it says to go to Gosport for 2 - 4 weeks. And that was to give us time to find another nursing home."

"She said I think they've drugged her. I can hardly rouse her."

(K) Barton

Papers of Barton polcie

Dr Jane Barton was a G.P. who worked

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statement

part-time in this ward.

The General Medical Council later said she'd prescribed "potentially hazardous" levels of drugs at the hospital - But did not strike her off. She told the Police - the ONLY reason she prescribed diamorphine for Gladys Richards was to relieve her pain.

(L) Shots of me going through

papers

Archive of what's said

Confidential documents leaked to ITV Meridian show nurses at the War memorial raised concerns about the use of diamorphine - back in 1991. Due to their complaints, a meeting was held, in which the nurses are reported to have said :

No other forms of analgesia are considered.

The drug regime is used indiscriminately, each patient's individual needs are not considered. And they felt - That patients deaths are sometimes hastened unnecessarily.

The nurses told the inquest - their

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concerns were dealt with at the time.

(M) Gillian at Westminster

Syringe driver

Drugs chart

Gillian Mackenzie took her fight to Westminster - calling in Norman Lamb - who's now Minister for Care and support. ?

She's always wanted to know why her mother was put on a syringe driver - and given the drugs she was.

(N) Sot from Gillian

"When I saw what those drugs were. How they were administered. The cocktail of those drugs. I couldn't believe what on earth were those consultants were thinking about."

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Previous inquest

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