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Notes out of sequence. Cover- up. Mother was not sedated in Haslar to the extent she was not aware of what was going on. See my references to her comments about the cleaning etc. in Haslar. From arrival at Gosport she was sedated up to the hilt but Lesley was aware of the period at Gosport 11th. – 14<sup>th</sup>. as I was in Eastbourne awaiting Consultant appointment locally which lead to referral to Marsden. There was no “screaming” – a word used frequently – it was more like a loud whimper – I can attempt to copy it if required in Court but bearing in mind my throat has taken it toll in the past 14 years. It took a long time for Barton to be aware “very sensitive to oramorph” I would suggest she was unaware of Lesley’s concerns until 14<sup>th</sup>. and was not kept fully in the picture by Nursing staff. Fell out of chair last night – Tripe – she was found on the floor by Brewer at 1.30pm - that is not in the morning but lunch-time. 13<sup>th</sup>. August. Barton later changes her story to Haslar. Barton was on the Ward at the time of the fall but did not examine. The examination of the hip and the damage came to light when my mother was undressed for bed on the evening of the 13<sup>th</sup>. by Brewer who contacted Dr. Briggs – partner at Barton’s surgery. Lesley informed by telephone but Briggs insisted Mother to be sedated overnight and x ray in the morning of 14<sup>th</sup>. X ray department closed at Gosport at 5 pm. I do not think that boded well for any of the patients particularly as falls to be expected given the age of patients and with hindsight the “regular medication given”. The Commission for Health Improvement picked up this point and it is noted in the Notices at Gosport list Dr. Lord sent out an Urgent note to all staff in December 1998 that in future elderly patients were to be sent to Haslar after 5pm. How many patients received over-dosed sedation instead until that directive. Delayed diagnosis is an added hazard for broken hips, re. shortening and rotation – I have been involved with another patient after a fall – diagnosed as nothing wrong but I removed her from a “Lewes/Gosport” hospital and drove her to another within 25 minutes – diagnosis neck of femur broken. Operated and was walking with Zimmer before discharge but shortening corrected with build up in shoe – had worth while life walking without even a stick for another 3 – 4 years. Was well over 80 at time of fracture.

Have to go out – More anon – will finish tonight and over weekend so you will have it all by Monday morning. Gillian  
PS Hope it is of use. Nothing from GMC of course !!