

White, John

To: Patrick Sadd

Subject: RE: Today

Hi!

Many thanks for the update.

I must admit prescribing a range of a drug with serious side-effects at a range of 20 - 200 (a factor of ten) and delegating the decision for dose to less experienced and less trained people seems to have an air of recklessness about it. I think also just because these patients were near the end of their lives, it seems a bit harsh to have a regime that is "careless" about shortening them further.

If you can push the lines of : -

- inappropriate dosages and routes of administration (not a matter of bodies of medical opinion but in fact not following guidelines)
- lack of distinction re palliative treatment and rehabilitation
- not tailoring the drug regime to the needs of individual patients
- unjustified risk taking
- contributing to cause of death - as far as you can argue it.

If you can submit that there should be a UL verdict that would be great but I understand the difficulties.

How about asking Dr Barton if she enjoyed killing people or was she just incompetent! - do n't worry - you do not really have to ask that!!

Please just email stuff through as and when even over the weekend.

Best wishes

John

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John -

Dr.Barton had an answer for everything and the tack taken by her is that the nurses did the prescribing on an as and when basis on 15 thus absolving her implicitly from any direct involvement.

I will be doing draft submissions over easter which I will get to you and Mr.Wilson for comments and obliterations.

Could you give some thought as to the questions you think we should be encouraging the coroner to leave to the jury.

Relieved it is finally drawing to a close (no more so than Tom who has had the most difficult time imaginable and has remained completely calm throughout)

You can contact me in Chambers tomorrow until lunch time.

If I don't hear from you have a happy easter and please pass on thanks to Gemma for all her help.

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Hope Mr. Wilson remains content!

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