

INTERROGATION (Dr Lord)

Significant Comments:

Para 11. Consultant geriatrician (1998) – mentions responsibility for patients in Daedalus Ward, **what about Dryad Ward???** (which is where ADBC was sent on admission her request)

Para 28: ‘Involuntary movements of his entire body’ is a **gross overstatement**. This was not the case at all, also and involuntary body movement was very likely to be drug-induced (Sinemet) – **Para 47 refers**

Para 38: (June 1998) The absence of a monkey-pole was a serious disadvantage to him, as he said he used it to change his position when in bed

Para 29/33/34: **Confirms that hallucinations were drug-induced** (Levodopa/Co-careldopa), and this improved dramatically when dosage was reduced – **Para 57**

Para 48-50: Diazepam may have led to increased muscle toning, to be reduced gradually

Para 56: ADBC complaining to family about being drugged up (June 1998)

Para 57/60: (22 Jul 98) Parkinson’s same. Stability same. No hallucinations

Para 63: Co-careldopa to be increased to counter night stiffness, then reduced if hallucinations

Para 66: (1 Sep 98): Problems with fluid retention. Eating better and better mood. Mobility poor **(NO MENTION OF SACRAL SORE – WHY???)**

Para 68: (23 Sep 98 letter) A large sacral ulcer. Parkinson’s no worse. Frail but less depressed. Admitted for **aggressive treatment of ulcer** (21 Sep).

First mention of ‘AN ELEMENT OF DEMENTIA is in admission notes of 21 Sep

Care Plan:

- Stop various drugs (laxatives, sacral healer and blood pressure lowering) (Para 71)
- Dryad today
- Ascerbine cream for sacral ulcer (Para 71)
- Nurse on side (Para 71)
- High protein diet (Para 72)
- Oramorph prn for pain (2.5-10mgs, orally every 4 hours) (Para 73)
- Felt **UNLIKELY TO RECOVER** (Para 78)

Para 79:**MEDICAL STAFF PERMITTED TO ALTER MEDICATION AND DOSAGE WITHOUT CONSULTATION**

- Akin to giving children in a kindergarden live ammunition and inviting them to fire at will

When seen by you on 17 Sep, BARTON refers to ADBC having expressed a **WISH TO DIE**. Was this to you??? Where recorded??? Why were family not notified???