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Mr WATTS as discussed..

I have informed the key stakeholders, and the FLO continues to update the FGM's.

I will write to the remaining FGM's this week (there are 22) explaining that the article could mislead the situation..(if not read very carefully).

Nigel..

Tuesday.. Please draft the FGM update as previously discussed incorporating the following passage..

On the 14th February 2005 the Portsmouth Evening News published an article that intimated that files in respect of 28 cases had been passed to the CPS. It is unfortunate that the NEWS suggested this to be the case, particularly as the police have refused to be drawn on numbers generally given that this type of sensationalist speculative reporting could ultimately have an adverse effect both on the outcome of the investigation in terms of prosecution and securing the ongoing co-operation of Healthcare staff which to date has been first class. We continue to investigate the circumstances surrounding patient deaths at Gosport War Memorial Hospital during the 1990's and to liaise with the Crown Prosecution Service in this respect. This liaison will continue throughout 2005 during which papers will be incrementally passed for their consideration. It is not likely that any decision as to outcome will be made until later in the year. We continue to receive the fullest co-operation from the Fareham and Gosport Primary Care Trust and the Healthcare Staff involved.

Thanks DW.

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