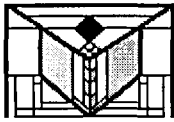
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Janet, Marcia

I understand that Katy has been in touch with you to arrange a case conference with the CE and Medical Director of Hampshire & Isle of Wight Strategic Health Authority to discuss Gosport War Memorial Hospital. Please find attached the correspondence from the CE Gareth Cruddace which led to the meeting being set up.

thanks very much

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Please see the attached letter and its enclosure concerning Gosport War Memorial Hospital. The original is being posted today.

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Professor Sir Liam Donaldson
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Dear Sir Liam

Gosport War Memorial Hospital

You will know that the Health Authority and the two Primary Care Trusts (Fareham and Gosport and East Hampshire) have commissioned an independent internal management investigation into events at Gosport War Memorial Hospital between 1988 and 1998 in order to decide whether disciplinary action should be taken in relation to senior managers and clinical managers. Michael Taylor, formerly Oxfordshire Health Authority Chief Executive, is undertaking the investigation. The Terms of Reference are attached and have previously been shared with the Department of Health and Social Care (South) and agreed with the Police.

The Police have had advice from the Crown Prosecution Service regarding their further investigations and have shared this with the Health Authority.

I am aware that Commission for Health Improvement have been asked to revisit to look at events between 1988 and 1998 and we are in contact with them. Obviously I am also aware of Professor Bakers audit. It feels to me urgent that we convene a 'case conference' to ensure that the direction of the various investigations is coordinated, as far as is reasonable and practicable. I believe it would be helpful if the NHS was clear about the expectations of each of its investigations and was able to present a united front.

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Given that Professor Baker is working directly to you, I think that it would be of enormous benefit if you were able to take part in at least part of the meeting.

If you were agreeable with this suggestion (and I will ask my Personal Assistant to contact yours in the next few days to check) then perhaps we could discuss who else ought to attend.

Yours sincerely

GARETH CRUDDACE
Chief Executive

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