07 January 2003

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Code A

Dear Code A

Request for Independent Review

Thank you for your letter of 1 January 2003, addressed to the Complaints Convener, requesting that an Independent Review Panel be set up to further investigate your complaint regarding the treatment and care of your late father, Code A at Gosport War Memorial Hospital. I have also been asked by Mr Alan Pickering, the Acting Chief Executive of the Primary Care Trust, to thank you for your letter addressed to him dated 2 January 2003.

Your letter, together with the correspondence relating to your complaint will be forwarded to the Complaints Convener, Mrs Karen Woods. In considering your request for an independent review, the Convener is required to consult with a lay (non-medical) Chair, nominated by the regional office of the NHS Executive. It may be a few days before this appointment is made.

Mrs Woods will be writing to you shortly to provide you with more information about the process.

Yours sincerely

Code A

Assistant Complaints Manager