

## for patient safety and justice

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Dear All

## **Gosport War Memorial Hospital Inquests**

For those of you who are wondering where the inquests have got to, closing submissions are likely to be on Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> April. The summing up is likely to start on Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> April with the verdict probably coming on 15<sup>th</sup> April. Hearings normally start at 10 am. I and possibly members of my team will be there on the 15<sup>th</sup> if you would like to meet.

For those of you who can not attend but would like to keep in touch with events as they unfold, the Portsmouth News have an online live coverage of the inquests at <a href="http://www.portsmouth.co.uk/gosportinquests/Gosport-hospital-inquests-start-today.5080716.jp">http://www.portsmouth.co.uk/gosportinquests/Gosport-hospital-inquests-start-today.5080716.jp</a>

AvMA's Freedom of Information request for release of the Professor Baker report was turned down, but it may be made available after the inquest.

We will send out another update when the verdict is known, and plan to produce a briefing on issues to be addressed. Please feel free to send in your comments. You can also join in a discussion forum on our website <a href="https://www.avma.org.uk">www.avma.org.uk</a>

Yours sincerely

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