

(16 Feb 08)

WITNESS STATEMENT

STATEMENT OF

GILLIAN ELIZABETH HAMBLIN

AGE: OVER 18

This Statement consisting of 2 pages signed by me, is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that if it is tendered in evidence I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

DATED this 16 day of February 2008

Signed **Code A**

GILLIAN ELIZABETH HAMBLIN

I am Gillian Elizabeth Hamblin of **Code A**

I make this statement further to my statement of 23 October 2007, in relation to events at the Gosport War Memorial Hospital in Hampshire.

In that statement, I described difficulties which were encountered in relation to record keeping, both on the part of the Nursing Staff, and the part of Dr Jane Barton, the Clinical Assistant on Dryad Ward.

I also described the arrangement which came to exist concerning the prescription of certain medications in a dose range, which prescription could be made anticipating the future need of the patient.

From my knowledge, I do not believe there was a situation in which a patient was ever put at risk by the more limited note keeping that the Nurses and Dr Barton were effectively forced to. We

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routinely communicated at handovers, ward rounds, and generally, concerning the condition and treatment of our patients.

Similarly, from my knowledge, I do not believe a patient was ever actually put at risk through the system of prescribing which was operated. The Pharmacist for the Hospital, Jean Dalton, attended on the Ward each Monday, reviewing all the drug charts and the drug stock. She would give advice and guidance, but I do not believe she ever raised criticism, or that concern was ever expressed by her about the arrangements for prescribing in the way that we had adopted.

Signed.....**Code A**.....

Witnessed.....**Code A**.....