

**Code A**

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**From:** Code A  
**Sent:** 28 September 2009 11:40  
**To:** Code A  
**Subject:** FW: Diamorphine  
**Importance:** High

Code A

Could you please set this new FOI request up for me, in the usual way.

Regards

Code A

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Code A  
**Sent:** 28 September 2009 11:36  
**To:** Code A  
**Subject:** Re: Diamorphine  
**Importance:** High

Hi Code A

I trust you are well.

I refer to the comments below. Few issues

1. How many specific complaints about diamorphine have the GMC since 1980.
2. There are two cases at present, Code A and Jane Barton. Does the GMC propose to make any suggestions on diamorphine prescribing? If there is a learning point during the final hearings of cases, does the GMC forward this for action by other authorities?
3. Is the GMC of the view that the Shipman Inquiry recommendations on diamorphine have been effective?

It would be useful to have some comments this week if possible.

Many thanks

Code A

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Code A  
**To:** Code A  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2009 1:14 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Diamorphine

Code A

Thank you for this.

I can confirm that the GMC do not have a 'position' on any particular drug. You should refer to our advice in 'Good Medical Practice' about

Prescribing Medicines. You may also find the publication 'Consent: Patients and Doctors Making Decisions Together' is useful as might be 'Withholding and Withdrawing Life Prolonging Treatments'. All of these publications are available via our website at [www.gmc-uk.org](http://www.gmc-uk.org).

Hope this helps.

Regards

Code A

-----Original Message-----

From: Code A

Sent: 15 September 2009 10:25

To: Code A

Subject: Re: Diamorphine

Importance: High

Hi Code A

I trust you are well. Thanks for all your efforts by the way.

Could you confirm what the GMC's position on diamorphine is. I am currently working on a article [not for the website] but for a journal and wanted to know the GMC's views on diamorphine regulation and prescribing. I have a deadline on this so it would be good to have a response sometime in the next two weeks.

Many thanks

Code A

----- Original Message -----

From: Code A

To: Code A

Sent: Tuesday, September 15, 2009 10:21 AM

Subject: Requests

Dear Code A

In your e-mail of 1 September 2009 you ask for the dates that Dr Choong was a GMC panellist. You also ask for a sample copy of the panellists contract.

A copy of the contract is attached herewith. I can confirm that Dr Choong was a panellist from 1 July 2006 until 4 August 2009.

Regards

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