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OPERATION ROCHESTER

Report summarising screening assessment of first 61 cases analysed

This report is compiled from the annotations made during the initial screening of each case. No subsequent editing or amendment is included in this report. However, it should be noted that only the first 20 cases were screened truly blind. In assessing the first 20, I applied the same standards as I would to my own practice, ie that of an experienced medical practitioner in the specialty of palliative medicine. It is my personal belief that excellent clinical practice, ie the best possible decision making given the clinical information available and the patient's preferences, should be the same in all settings, whether specialist or generalist.

However, during the conference after the screening of the first 20 cases it was made clear to me that I was setting an unrealistically high standard for practice in a rehabilitation/continuing care setting. My assessments of all subsequent cases were influenced, therefore, by the views of the other members of the clinical team. There will not be complete consistency in my assessments between the first 20 cases and the subsequent ones.

The screening matrix used for scoring in all cases was as follows:

Care Death/Ham	Optimal 1	Sub-Optimal 2	Negligent 3	Intend to Cause Harm 4
Natural A				
Unclear B				
Unexplained By Illness C				

In each case the screening assessment was made contemporaneously with the study of that case record. It was not made retrospectively at a later date from my handwritten notes, although they informed my judgement by summarising the important points I abstracted when going through each record.

The following table brings together the assessment notes made on each patient and my own screening assessment score, prior to discussion with other members of the clinical team.

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OPERATION ROCHESTER CLINCAL TEAM'S SCREENING FORM

Patient Ident Alice WILK		Δ _ Code A	<u>r</u>	BJC/52
Care Death/Harm	Optimal I	Sub-Optimal 2	Negligent 3	Intend to Cause Harm 4
Natural A				
Unclear B		Code A	Could belong here	
Unexplained By Illness C				
General Con	nments			
	C	ode) A	
Final Score:			eners Name: R E l Of Screening:	Ferner
		Sign:	ature	

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Patient Ident AWi 1 CO	ification de A Code A			Exhibit number BJC52
Care Death/Harm	Optimal I	Sub-Optimal 2	Negligent 3	Intend to Cause Harm 4
Natural				

Code A

Unclear B

Unexplained By Illness C Could belong here

Code	
Screeners Date Of S	Name: R E Ferner creening:

Signature

PL

BJC/52 ALICE WILKIE 82

Code A

No grading

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ALICE WILKIE BJC52

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Date of Birth: Code A Age: 82
Date of admission to GWMH: 6 August 1998

Date and time of Death: 18.30 hours on 21st August 1998

Cause of Death: Post Mortem:

Length of Stay: 16 days

Mrs Wilkie's past medical history:-

Dementia

Code A

17th

6th A

21st