

STATEMENT

Number: S18

Surname: **Code A**
 Forenames: **Code A**
 Age: [] Date of Birth: []
 Address: []
 Postcode: []
 Occupation: [HEALTH CARE SUPPORT WORKER]
 Telephone No: []

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1. I am a Health Care Support Worker employed by Portsmouth Hospitals NHS Trust at Gosport War Memorial Hospital. I have worked in this capacity for 5 years. Prior to that I worked as a Health Care Assistant at Glen Heathers Nursing and Residential Home in Lee on Solent for ten months. In August 1998 I worked in Daedalus Ward as I do at the present time. Daedalus Ward provides continuing care and slow stream stroke rehabilitation for frail elderly patients. In August 1998 Daedalus Ward comprised eight single bed rooms and four 4-bed rooms i.e. capacity for 24 patients in total, as it does today. My duties as a Health Care Support Worker are to assist in the general care of patients, washing, dressing and feeding. My role is to assist the qualified nursing staff who supervise me. As a Health Care Support Worker I do not make decisions as to how a patient is nursed. I am not involved in decisions concerning medication or the provision of subcutaneous fluids. If I identify any problem with a patient's care I refer to qualified nursing staff.

2. I have checked the on-duty rota for August 1998. My duties between 11 August 1998 (11/08/1998) and 21 August 1998 (21/08/1998) the period covering the late Mrs RICHARDS' two admissions to Daedalus Ward were as follows;

11 August 1998 - 17 August 1998 Off sick (11/08/1998) (17/08/1998)
 18 " Early shift 0730 a.m.-1.30 p.m. (1330)
 19 " " " "
 20 " Day off
 21 " Late shift 1.15 p.m.(1315) -8.30 p.m. (2030)

3. I recall the late Mrs Gladys RICHARDS as she was a patient at Glen Heathers Nursing and Residential Home when I worked there. I do not recall any details of her care in Daedalus Ward. I have reviewed Mrs RICHARDS' hospital case records. I have not made any entries.

Signed:

[G McCarthy]

Signature witnessed by: []