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Dear Mary

As promised a summary of the 1991 documents

They were disclosed in two separate places and dates. First came from Anita Tubbritt and Beveley Turnbull to Toni Scammel at GWMH on the 16th September 2002. I was at this meeting as Anita and Beverleys RCN Rep - I was given a copy of these documents by Anita as they were worried they might go missing, as the originals were kept by Toni and I assume given to the police

The second lot were disclosed to me at the home of Sylvia Giffin on the 7th October 2002, she had asked me to call and see her as her RCN Rep. I had no previous knowledge of these documents. On that day I tried to hand them over to the Trust but this was refused on the grounds I think that they could have been seen to be handling evidence, so I rang the police team, for Operation Rochester and spoke to Kate Robinson who was a member of that team and she came to my home to collect them with another senior policeman.

Sylvia Giffin was not well when I saw her and she was worried about the Trust "losing" the documents so the originals went to the police, she kept a copy and she gave me a copy and I promised her they wouldn't go missing

They were brought forward because staff were fed up of articles in the local news / tv / nursing press saying that nurses should have reported concerns etc, I think it was just the last straw after several rounds of police interviews

Some of the documents in the two sets are the same, copies of letters / minutes etc, but in Sylvia's you can see that they really did try to voice their worries about "prescribing and use of controlled drugs with syringe drivers" for certain patients.

Keith Murray was the RCN Rep involved in Feb. 1991 - he worked at QAH. he involved Steve Barnes a regional officer at Winchester RCN - Isobel Evans Patient Care Manager at GWMH was involved, so was Dr. Jane Barton and several other senior staff were involved.

They involved Gerry Whitney who was a community Tutor in October 1991 - a copy of her report was sent to Chris West who was our District General Manager based at St. Mary's Hospital in December 1991

At the end of all this the three staff were seen as trouble makers with Sylvia suffering the worst, she was in effect sent to coventry at one stage and when Redcliffe relocated to GWMH in 1993 / 1994 she was moved from the team from Redcliffe who became Dryad ward and she went to Daedalus ward where she was always unhappy and eventually retired because her health was deteriorating and she never worked again.

All three of these staff were on permanent night duty first at Redcliffe then GWMH, Gill Hamblin was Sister / Manager both at Redcliffe and Dryad ward - Sister Shelagh Joines was in chrge of Daedalus ward when Redcliffe moved up