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This briefing came from the Strategic Health Authority on Friday. I don't intend sharing it widely as it says nothing new but you may like a copy for reference.

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Regards  
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*With compliments*

- On 12<sup>th</sup> September 2002, the Chief Medical Officer announced a clinical audit of services at Gosport War Memorial Hospital to be carried out by Professor Richard Baker of Leicester University
- On 16<sup>th</sup> September 2002, previously unshared information came to light which raised questions about the clinical and managerial response to concerns about clinical standards in the hospital
- Since then the Health Authority has been working closely with the Department of Health, the Police and legal advisers to ensure that the different lines of enquiry into these complex matters are coordinated and facilitated
- The detailed terms of reference of Professor Baker's audit are being established by the Chief Medical Officer
- The Health Authority is finalising details of its own enquiries into the management processes which were in place in the period under review
- There will need to be continued close co-operation between the health authority and the police to ensure that police investigations are not compromised by the health authority management enquiry
- The General Medical Council and the General Nursing Council continue their own processes of investigation into the actions of individual doctors and nurses

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