## Portsmouth Healthcare NHS Trust MEMORANDUM

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## RE: MEDICAL AND NURSING STAFFING IN GOSPORT

I am writing with some concern as I feel that the medical and nursing levels in Elderly Medicine in Gosport will be critical unless there are adequate replacements.

- 1. Dr Jane Barton resigns her post as Clinical Assistant to Daedalus and Dryad Wards at the end of June.
- 2. Dr Sælima Tariq who has been filling in as Dr Rachael Ross' locum (2 sessions a week at Dolphin Day Hospital) leaves on 23 June. Rachael Ross is not likely to return from maternity leave until much later this year and the exact date is uncertain.
- 3. Sister Anne Stewart retires from Dolphin Day Hospital on 29 June, 2000 and although she handed in her notice on 3 April 2000, her job has not yet been advertised. In addition a further E Grade Staff Nurse in Dolphin Day Hospital also goes on maternity leave at the end of June.

I have drafted a job description for a full-time staff grade post that would involve sessions in Dolphin Day Hospital as well as on Daedalus and Dryad Wards, and if agreement on this is reached could go to advert quite shortly. However, if we are unable to appoint by 1 July I feel that the medical and nursing staff cover for Dolphin Day Hospital, Daedalus and Dryad Wards would be inadequate and unsafe. I would be happy to discuss and helkimplement any possible solution.

With best wishes.

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