

(Interested party)

**John, Lisa**

**From:** Horsley, David  
**Sent:** 01 June 2009 10:04  
**To:** John, Lisa  
**Subject:** FW: Inquest - Mrs Gladys Richards

Lisa,

Please put a copy of this on your file and note that Portsmouth Hospitals NHS Trust is to be treated as an interested party to this Inquest.

Please chase the file from the police and fix up a date for them to come in and talk to me about it.

Thanx.

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**From:** Horsley, David  
**Sent:** 01 June 2009 10:01  
**To:** 'stuart.knowles' Code A  
**Subject:** Inquest - Mrs Gladys Richards

Dear Mr Knowles,

Thank you for your letter of 29 May 2009 reminding me of the need under Section 15 of the Coroners Act 1988 to obtain the Secretary of State's authority to hold an Inquest into Mrs Richards' death.

I obtained this authority some months ago before actually opening the Inquest.

I am awaiting a full report and file from Hampshire Police in relation to their investigation of this death. I expect to have this very shortly. When I do, I will be able to make some decisions about how I intend to conduct the Inquest. As I am treating the Portsmouth Hospitals NHS Trust as an interested person, I will be informing you of these decisions as I make them.

David C. Horsley  
 H.M. Coroner  
 Portsmouth & South East Hampshire