From: Baker, Prof R.

Sent: 25 November 2002 17:07

To: 'Jones, Prof D.R.'

Subject: RE: Gosport review

#### David

Are you about? I would like to email a confidential file with some summary information from Gosport. The hospital has kept counterfoils of death certs dating back to 1987 (so covering all the period in question). This indicates a higher number of deaths in the years during which the doctor of concern worked as clinical assistant. The question is: what can be infer from this?

If you are at your PC in next 20-30 mins, I will send through some information and hope you can advise.

### Richard

----Original Message-----

From: Jones, Prof D.R. [mailto: Code A

Sent: 25 November 2002 16:04

To: Baker, Prof R.; Peter Goldblatt (E-mail 2)

Cc: David Jones (E-mail) Subject: RE: Gosport review

### Richard, Peter:

Without further info on casemix/age range etc etc this is almost impossible to do on anything other than a random basis, except that 'stratifying' on proximity to military hospitals (where they take civilian cases) seems like a good idea if it is a perceived concern, whether well-founded or not. What data on intake characteristics does ONS have?

# Regards

## **David Jones**

-----Original Message---- From: Baker, Prof R. [mailto: Code A
 Sent: 25 November 2002 15:03

To: Peter Goldblatt (E-mail 2)
 Cc: David Jones (E-mail)

> Subject: FW: Gosport review >

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Peter

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> Did I send these to you? We need to select the comparison

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community hospitals.
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  Richard
  ----Original Message-----
>
  From: Tanner Simon [mailto:
                                          Code A
  Sent: 18 November 2002 15:34
   To: 'Baker, Prof R.'
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   Subject: RE: Gosport review
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   Richard
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  I attach a complete list of community hospitals in
  Hampshire and Isle of
>
  Wight. I believe that the vast majority admit older
>
   people, but have not
> been able to confirm this in every case. I'm sorry that it
  took a while. If
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   you need to know anything else, plese let me know.
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   Dr. Simon Tanner
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   Director of Public Health/Medical Director
   Hampshire and Isle of Wight Strategic Health Authority
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   Tel: 02380 725539
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  ----Original Message-----
>
> From: Baker, Prof R. [mailto:
                                      Code A
   Sent: 05 November 2002 16:52
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  To: Tanner Simon
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   Subject: RE: Gosport review
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   Simon
  Thanks, a list of community hospitals would be fine; do
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>
   you have such a list
   relevant to the region, or can you direct me to someone
   who would have such
>
   a list?
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  I note your comments about the relatives and agree that no
>
   action should be
   taken to set up a meeting with relatives at this point.
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  All the best
>
   Richard
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  ----Original Message-----
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   From: Tanner Simon [mailto:
                                          Code A
   Sent: 05 November 2002 16:31
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   To: 'Baker, Prof R.'
   Subject: RE: Gosport review
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  Richard
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   My knowledge of community hospitals is pretty limited. I
   would have thought
>
> that most community hospitals admitting older people would be fair
   comparators. I'm not sure why so much is being made of the
>
   proximity of
  Haslar (though I suspect that it reflects a prejudice that military
   hospitals treat older people in some way differently) This must be
   conjecture. I'm not sure whether it would be a good or bad
   thing to choose
  local comparators, but beyond giving you a list of
>
   addresses, I don't think
>
   I could hazard a guess at their "comparability" with GWMH.
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  I think you need to discuss with the CMO about contact
>
   with the relatives.
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  The issue is back in the news again following Anne
  Alexander's press
   conference on Monday. All seems a bit sensitive.
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   Simon
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  ----Original Message-----
   From: Baker, Prof R. [mailto:
                                      Code A
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   Sent: 04 November 2002 15:10
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   To: Tanner Simon
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   Subject: RE: Gosport review
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   Simon
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   I am making some initial progress, but can I ask for your
>
   help on a couple
   of matters?
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  1. We need to identify the potential comparison community
>
   hospitals now. The
>
   systems for obtaining the data are more or less sorted,
   and we are close to
   making a start. Can you suggest community hospitals in the
>
   dictrict/region
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- > that would be relevant to take into account? From the
- > meeting with the PCT,
- > such hospitals that were not far from military
- > establishments would be one
- > group (I think Plymouth was suggsted, but am not certain
- > about this).
- > However, GP care and admission categories (as much as can
- > be judged about
- > these prior to detailed investigation) would be necessary
- > to take into
- > account also.

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- > 2. I have not met with relatives yet there may be
- > reasons why this should
- > be delayed; howeveer, my concern is that I would not want
- > to be thought to
- > be avoiding the relatives.

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> Hope all is well with you.

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> Richard Baker

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