



**Statement in relation to GMC ruling on Dr Jane Barton**

NHS Hampshire has fully supported the GMC hearing throughout and will comply with the rulings of today's (Friday, January 29) Fitness to Practice Panel.

Dr Barton resigned as clinical assistant at Gosport War Memorial Hospital in 2000 but has continued to work locally as a General Practitioner. Since 2000 Dr Barton has agreed to voluntary restrictions on her prescribing practice while working as a GP and has complied fully. The restrictions were formalised by the GMC's Interim Orders Panel in 2008.

Since the late 1990s the systems and policies in place at Gosport War Memorial Hospital have undergone a complete overhaul. We can assure the families and local people that all the issues highlighted by the GMC hearing have been addressed and the care at Gosport War Memorial Hospital today is of the highest standard.

**ENDS**

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