

Questions I would like my mother's Dr to answer.

1. My mother had a history of leukaemia and of heart disease which would make any person more venerable in times of illness, why did you feel she needed to go into a nursing ward and not a medical ward when you had been treating her at home for a viral infection.
2. My farther asked that my mother be put into a medical hospital outside the house before she was admitted to G.W.H why was the cost of putting a Person into a medical ward spoken about.
3. People who have leukaemia are in a higher risk group of getting blood Poisoning. Symptoms of sepsis are generally feeling unwell, a drop in blood pressure, decreased urine output, restlessness, agitation and confufusion. Were any of these symptoms recorded in my mothers nursing notes during her stay on sultan ward.
- 4 Early detection of a urine infection has a high chance of being treated Successfully with the correct medication, if it is ignored this could lead to Sepsis and if there symptoms are ignored this would then lead to septic shock. Am I correct in believing the above statement?
5. Why did you start to tell me that my mother would not be having a heart Operation when I asked you if she would be all right, I was concerned at how ill she had become and what the outcome would be. At no time did I ask you about my mothers heart operation, I was left in shock at being told that she would "probably not" be ok now.
6. My sister started to phone your practice on I believe the Wednesday before our mother died, she asked that my mother be moved to a medical hospital. She expressed our concerns on more than one occasion. Why did you not act Upon her concerns.
7. My sister truly believes that you didn't care about our mothers suffering in the Run up to her death and feels that you failed to treat her illnesses, which caused her to die. What can you say to change her beliefs?

Finally I would like to say that all of our family suffered greatly at seeing our mother, wife, grandmother suffer the way she did in the last week of her life, and some of us her last three weeks of life. If on further investigation it shows that things could have been done differently, we hope policies will be made so as patient care comes above all else.