

MEMORANDUM

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Gosport War Memorial Hospital Management Investigation Update

It has been agreed jointly by the Strategic Health Authority, East Hampshire Primary Care Trust and Fareham and Gosport Primary Care Trust that an internal management investigation will take place to establish whether those with management or clinical management responsibility for the Gosport War Memorial Hospital acted appropriately in response to events or concerns expressed about prescribing practices between 1988 and 1998.

The investigation, which will begin immediately, will be led by Michael Taylor who has had twenty-six years experience as a Chief Executive in the NHS but who now works independently.

If you have staff in your department who you believe may have concerns about this enquiry please share this note with them.

While I believe the start of this enquiry is a move forward, I understand that people may have questions and concerns they would like to raise. I would like to remind everyone that support is available from their line manager, staff organisations and Corecare.