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Dear Code A

It is now over three months since I wrote to Mr. Todd and subsequently to you and I am no further forward regarding the inaction by the NMC concerning the nurses involved in my mother's death. Although you are aware that a statement was made to the GMC particularly mentioning Code A you have not asked the GMC for this. You are also aware that the matters referred to in my statements were not included at the hearing and I did not give evidence. There are other matters which came to my attention since my original statement to the Police (March 2000) which have never been followed up concerning Nurses.

I would draw your attention to the fact that although Nurse Griffen was the Nurse on duty at the time my mother died she was never interviewed in this connection by the police – yet another omission. Nurse Brewer who sedated my mother with Haloperidol to the extent that my mother fell out of her chair within half an hour and dislocated her hip was never interviewed either and certainly she was not mentioned at the GMC hearing. My mother was given haloperidol according to the file because my sister had complained that my mother on admission was given oramorph for non existent pain within half an hour of arrival by Code A despite the wording of the referral letter from Haslar. The fact that drugs were written up in advance by Jane Barton does not excuse Code A dismissing the referral letter. He too has a duty of care.

The fact that the investigations were incompetent (complaints upheld by the PCA for investigation failures into my mother's case) does not excuse the NMC from ignoring my evidence and only looking at the transcript of the GMC hearing. There is no excuse either why Code A in the 2004 – 2006 investigations refused to allow me to make a further statement. The complaints raised with the PCA/IPCC in 2002 were not completed until after John James had been promoted and taken early retirement. The further complaints raised with the IPCC concerning the part [played by the Chief Constable and the Deputy were a complete waste of time as three months after my interviews with the IPCC I was informed they could not read or make sense of their shorthand notes. This is another matter I hope will be looked at in a future public inquiry or publication. In the meantime there is no reason why the NMC cannot include my evidence in their deliberations concerning nurses as the GMC hearing concerned Dr. Barton and it was not in their remit to consider nurses for disciplinary action.

Every time I telephone you, you inform me that you are going to write to me "next week". I am not going away and I will continue to be a pain in some part of everyone's anatomy until this case is considered in a professional manner. I no longer have the patience to give anyone the benefit of the doubt.

Yours sincerely

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