

NHS death fears rise

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FIFTY more families have raised concerns about a hospital being investigated over patient deaths, it was revealed last night.

The Chief Medical Officer ordered the probe into Gosport War Memorial Hospital in Hampshire after the deaths of 13 elderly patients between 1997 and 2000.

It is headed by the professor involved in the Harold Shipman inquiry.

Now around 50 people worried about the care of relatives have contacted a health authority helpline.

Police have been investigating the deaths and allegations over the use of the painkiller diamorphine. No action has been taken.

A meeting of bereaved families, who believe the deaths were suspicious, called for a full inquiry.

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