

# Expert Review

**Edith Aubrey**

**No. BJC/04**

**Date of Birth:** Code A

**Date of Death: 15 June 1996**

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Mrs Aubrey lived at home with her husband until April 1994 when she was admitted to a nursing home. Her past medical history included probable cerebrovascular disease, depression with paranoid features, and ischaemic heart disease.

Whilst the experts have described this case as end stage dementia more probably of vascular origin, it is unclear from the medical notes what led to Mrs Aubrey's final demise. She was given transdermal Fentanyl explicitly to calm her and this dose was progressively escalated.

In June 1996 a syringe driver was prescribed as required and was commenced on 7 June 1996. The conversion of therapeutic treatment to Diamorphine via a syringe driver was reasonable in the experts' views. **Dr Naysmith has marked this case as C3.**