

Expert Review

Henry Aubrey

No. BJC/05

Date of Birth: Code A

Date of Death: 2 June 1999

Mr Aubrey was admitted to the Royal Haslar Hospital in May 1999. He was transferred to Gosport War Memorial Hospital on 1 June 1999. The history of the presenting complaint was noted on admission to be carcinoma of the lung, plural effusion and query cerebral secondaries. The notes also records that Mr Aubrey was depressed waiting to die.

Mr Aubrey was commenced on a Fentanyl patch at 3.30 p.m. that afternoon and 10mgs of Oramorph was given.

Mr Aubrey's treatment was continued the next morning with high dose Morphine and Midazolam.

The experts noted in their analysis that although Mr Aubrey had a terminal diagnosis and was recognised to have given up, the need for such a large dose of Diamorphine and Midazolam was not clear. **Drs Naysmith and Lawson have rated this case B3.**