

Witness Name: Deborah Banks

Statement No.: WITN7141001

Exhibits: None

Dated: 27/05/2022

INFECTED BLOOD INQUIRY

WRITTEN STATEMENT OF DEBORAH BANKS ON BEHALF OF NEWCASTLE HOSPITALS NHS FOUNDATION TRUST

I provide this statement in response to a request under Rule 9 of the Inquiry Rules 2006 dated 24 May 2022.

I, Deborah Banks, employed by Newcastle Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, as Head of Outpatients Health Records and Patient Administration, previously employed as Outpatient Services Manager, Cancer Information Manager and Outpatient Administration Manager will say as follows: -

1. I can confirm that we are unaware of any fire at the Royal Victoria Infirmary which caused the destruction of records in the 1990s or early 2000s. We have also checked with our Fire team and Estates team to see if there are any historical records of any fires in the proximity of the medical records libraries and they have advised that there were no records.

Statement of Truth

I believe that the facts stated in this witness statement are true.

Signed:

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