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Subject: Posts on FB etc. Christina McLaughlin

Hi Both

We just wanted to make you are of some social media posts that came out last night from Christina and Luke Mc Laughlin. We have removed them as soon as we became aware but you can see the content below as it was emailed to us when they realised, we had removed the post. You can see the content below. This was in response to us sharing the news about our new Medical and Scientific Group which Gary you kindly agreed to join. We are really sorry that this has happened.

We are monitoring all our social platforms carefully but we have been made aware this has been shared more widely on groups we have no control over such as Tainted Blood and Factor8. We believe it has been removed from Tainted Blood.

We are taking steps to ensure this can never happen again through our controlled sites but aware you might want to take this up personally.

Best Wishes

Debra

From: Kate Burt <Kate@[REDACTED] GRO-C
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FYI

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From: Christina McLaughlin <christina249@[REDACTED] GRO-C
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Subject: Christina McLaughlin

Here's a copy of Luke's comment Kate,

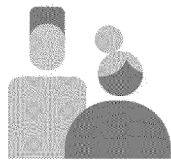
Just incase to don't have a copy after you blocked him and remove the post, and just to inform you all at the THS the comment and your post of your new advisory team, with Gary Benson is gaining massive traction, on all the support groups and we will continue to share it far and wide.

Tina

12:48



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🔊 PLEASE READ TO THE END IF YOU OR A LOVED ONE HAS HAEMOPHILIA 🔊

Any respect I once had for the Haemophilia Society has been lost after reading this post and seeing the appointment of Dr. Gary Benson as an MASAG member for the Haemophilia Society.

In 2020, I joined the Haemophilia Society as a youth ambassador with the hope of helping, assisting, and empowering other young haemophiliacs. I made a few journeys from my home in Northern Ireland to England and volunteered at the Haemophilia Youth Camp in summer 2021, as well as attending the annual conference in London in November 2021.

At this point, I had already lost all confidence in my local haemophilia center (the only center in Northern Ireland) due to many issues regarding my care and the previous care of other family members who had haemophilia. A few examples of this were that when I was under the care of Dr. Gary Benson for many years, I was receiving countless bleeds into joints and muscles, struggling with debilitating groin and hip bleeds, and continuously told I don't have bleeds. Later, I found out Dr. Gary Benson had been prescribing only half of the Factor VIII I should have been on, putting me at serious risk.

Additionally, my uncle Seamus passed away aged 45 in 2018 from hepatitis-related liver cancer, from contaminated blood products he received. He was never given any liver scans or told he had liver cancer, which should have been identified through his haemophilia clinical blood tests. Dr. Gary Benson was aware of the dire situation that my uncle was in but did nothing to help. Instead, he altered his medical notes using other patients' notes, sending them to GPs, stating he did not turn up for his appointments, covering up his terminal cancer and preventing him from accessing cancer treatment or hepatitis treatment.

I firmly believe Dr. Gary Benson knowingly and deliberately withheld the knowledge that my uncle was dying. I believe he is still carrying out this practice to date on other unsuspecting infected patients. If my uncle received care, including scans and regular checks, he would still be alive today, enjoying life with his newly born grandchild. Instead, he was rushed to an early grave through purposeful neglect to save money.

The Belfast clinic also completely disregarded the needs of my sister and mother, who were both struggling badly with issues concerning their haemophilia. The Belfast City Haemophilia Clinic does not care for any of its patients and does not believe their struggles, especially if they are women with bleeding disorders, this to me seems very hypocritical as the haemophilia society try to portray they do great work with "talking red" programme which helps women with bleeding conditions however they appoint someone like Dr. Gary Benson who doesn't even want to acknowledge that women with bleeding disorders even exist.

Due to Dr. Gary Benson and all of these issues, I have been attempting since 2018 to fully remove myself from the Belfast clinic and receive a full transfer of care. After trying to get into a few different clinics away from the Belfast Trust and Dr Gary Benson, the Haemophilia Society suggested I go to the Royal Free Hospital in London under the care of Dr. Pratima Chowdary. However, even after my expressed instructions that my private health information was not to be shared in any way to or from Gary Benson and his team at the Belfast clinic, she was covertly reporting back to him against me and my family's wishes.

Further to this, Dr. Chowdary delayed responding to my local urologist's urgent request to consult with him so he could organize surgery I urgently needed to remove a tumor from my abdomen, despite repeated pleas from me and her knowing I could have been building cancer. I believe Dr. Chowdary was acting on behalf of her friend, colleague, and UKHCDO Treasurer, Dr. Gary Benson. She has never treated me as a patient; I had one consultation with her two years ago, where despite my explanation of repeated bleeds and her full knowledge of the issues in the Belfast clinic, and only meeting me for twenty minutes, she wrote to

my GP changing my hereditary diagnosis of severe haemophilia A, at less than 1% UI, to a 2% haemophilia, putting me at serious risk.

I trusted the haemophilia society to give me helpful information however they pushed me towards a consultant who was willing to continue the dirty work of Dr. Gary Benson.

The Haemophilia Society is well aware of all these situations regarding me and my family and our relationship with the Belfast clinic, and in particular Dr. Gary Benson, due to countless phone calls and emails with Kate Burt, the chief executive of the Haemophilia Society, and Clive Smith, Chair of the Haemophilia Society board. Their initial promise to us was their full support, and that the Haemophilia Society, even before our issue, had the full intention of investigating the actions of the Belfast Haemophilia Clinic. They lied, and not only did they lie, they removed me as a youth ambassador and appointed a very dangerous individual as an advisor, Dr. Gary Benson.

As of today, I have been refused urgent haemophilia care from The Royal Free and the Royal London. I am also now having my Factor VIII rationed with threats of stopping it altogether. I have no access to social care, psychological care, physiotherapy care and I have no access to having my viral bloods checked. The Haemophilia Society have shown they are all in for their support of Dr. Gary Benson but who supports the patients? I have been through a horrendous time the last number of years with no end in sight and thought I was being supported by the Haemophilia Society.

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