

Witness Name: Chris Deighan

Statement No.: WITN7116020

Exhibits: WITN7116021

Dated: 29/09/2022

INFECTED BLOOD INQUIRY

WRITTEN STATEMENT OF CHRIS DEIGHAN

I provide this statement on behalf of Greater Glasgow Health Board in response to a request under Rule 9 of the Inquiry Rules 2006 dated 20 August 2020.

I, Chris Deighan, will say as follows: -

Section 1: Introduction

1. Introductory paragraph to include your date of birth, address, occupation and employment history.

Name: Dr Christopher J Deighan
Date of birth: GRO-C 1966
Job Title: Depute Medical Director (Corporate Services)
Address: Gartnavel Royal Hospital, 1055 Great Western Road, Glasgow,
G12 0XH

Qualifications:

- MB.ChB.: University of Glasgow, 1989
- MRCP : Royal College of Physicians, U.K. 1992
- M.D. : University of Glasgow, 2000
- FRCP : Royal College of Physicians, Glasgow, 2004

Employment:

- Consultant Nephrologist: NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde April 2000 to date

- Deputy Medical Director: Corporate, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde May 2019 to date
- Chief of Medicine, North Sector, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde – June 2015 to May 2019
- Clinical Director, Renal Services and Centre for Integrative Care, Regional Services Directorate, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde – October 2009 to June 2015

Section 2: Responses to criticism of Mrs GRO-B

- 2. At paragraph 4 of her statement, witness W2073 states that her husband's medical records, held at the Haemophilia Unit of Glasgow Royal Infirmary and at Gartnavel General Hospital, seem to be missing in parts. Please comment on this.**

I can confirm that NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde (GG&C) have previously responded to a request for medical records on behalf of Mr GRO-B and I enclose a copy of the summary that was issued to his solicitor (WITN7116021). In response to the criticism, GG&C have performed a full review of the available medical records. The notes at Glasgow Royal Infirmary date back 40 years and we have identified 3 volumes of case notes - one 1981 (from the age of 21) to 1988 (this includes details of a dental extraction from 1978), a second 1988-1995 and a current set of medical records dating from 2001. Therefore there appears to be a gap between 1995 and 2001.

- 3. At paragraph 5 of her statement, witness W2073 states that Gartnavel General Hospital Legal Department told her husband that he had not been treated at the Haemophilia Unit of Glasgow Royal Infirmary as a child, and did not attend until he was an adult. The witness states that this is false and that her husband had been treated there since he was 11 years old. Please comment on this.**

The first entry in the medical records at GRI that we can identify is from 1978 when Mr GRO-B had a dental extraction. For GG&C patients, standard practice was for children with haemophilia to be treated by the paediatric service based at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children (RHC) at Yorkhill. The reviewing team were unable to locate or trace any records of Mr GRO-B having attended at Yorkhill Hospital as a child. We have discussed this with the relevant clinical teams and have been advised that it was usual

practice for patients with mild haemophilia to be treated at their local hospital (i.e in this instance in Forth Valley). There is no sign of any referral to the adult service in Mr **GRO-B** medical records which would be usual from the RHC at that time. There was a first letter from Dr **GRO-D** in 1981 when he was 21 about the family tree and the testing of his sister. We are also aware that Mr **GRO-B** was seen regularly by Dr Birch Consultant Haematologist in Forth Valley. This may explain the lack of case records.

Section 3: Other Issues

4. If there are any other issues in relation to which you consider that you have evidence which will be relevant to the Inquiry's investigation of the matters set out in its Terms of Reference, please set them out here.

None

Statement of Truth

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

Signed

GRO-C

Dated

29/09/2022

Table of exhibits:

Date	Notes/ Description	Exhibit number
18/01/2019	Letter to Thompsons re Subject Access Request	WITN7116021