

E-mail from Petitioner dated 27 June 2011

Please accept my apologies for the lateness of my email. I have just returned from holiday.

If it is not too late I would ask the following in response to comments within Craig Bells letter of 10th June 2011

In Para 5 on page 2 continued from page 1 Mr Bell states that The Scottish Government is organising a further meeting to be held in September of this year to allow NHS Boards to share their work regarding all Boards developing a risk assessment tool for prophylaxis.

Why waste this valuable time when the Guideline 122 already has a risk assessment tool contained within it ! This is highlighted by Mr Bell in the very next paragraph on page 2 where he acknowledges that the Guideline 122 does indeed quote the Grampian Risk Assessment Tool.

There would appear to be a reluctance to just accept the Guideline which was written over a 3 year period. If the Medical Directors will not accept the findings of the Guideline then perhaps there is a situation where the Guidelines are written to fill in time while the Medical Directors decide just in what direction they decide the safety and welfare of the Patient population should progress toward.

As the Medical Directors will not meet until September and then one would assume a further meeting will be required to discuss their decisions .Perhaps to keep pressure on the Health Boards to have commonality of information (Which was one of the basis of the Petition raised in 2007) the Petition Committee could carry over this petition until after the decision of the Medical Directors. If not then I fear the situation will decline to that as it was when my daughter Katie died because all Health Boards were working to their own guidelines and patient information leaflets.

regards

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