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Update

Please see our other easy read information if you want to know more about the Inquiry.

Hearings for 2023

Hearings March-May 2023



We will hear 6 types of **evidence**. They will help us learn about laws, rules and how things should be run.



Information about these 6 types of evidence can be found on our [website](#).

Evidence is anything that you see, experience, read or are told. It helps us find out what happened.

Hearings are meetings where we listen to evidence.



We sent letters asking for written evidence for these 6 types of evidence. All people and organisations have said yes to helping us.



Core Participants will get this written evidence before hearings.

A **Core Participant** is a person or organisation who has a big role to play in what the Inquiry is about.



Most written evidence will be put on our website.

People can watch hearings live on our website.



One week between March and May 2023 will be used to hear patient experience evidence. This will be from people we now **have witness statements** from.

A **witness statement** is your story about what happened and what you saw. After it is written down by someone it is signed by you.



Hearings May – June 2023

We will hear final patient experience evidence between May and June 2023.

We hope more people from Action for Muckamore and Friends of Muckamore will give witness statements. We need these by **28 April 2023**.



We hope to hear evidence later on about

- how good laws, rules and checks were
- and how things were done in real life.

Inquiry staff update



We now have all the inquiry staff we need.

All our lawyers have had training to help support witnesses.

Written evidence update



The panel have now looked at all the written evidence that has been collected.

We will ask the trust for more information about some patients soon.

Muckamore Abbey Hospital Staff Evidence



We are now asking for information from

- staff members we know of and
- any other staff who worked at Muckamore Abbey hospital in the time we are looking into.



Some people might not want to speak to us. Inquiry staff can explain what can be done to support them.



It is important to hear from lots of different Muckamore staff about their experiences. This will help us be fair.



Staff can contact us using the contact form on our website. They can tell us if they have information about care given at Muckamore Abbey Hospital.

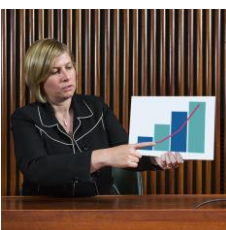
Inquiry staff can give help and more information.

Authorities Evidence



After staff evidence we will write to ask for evidence from authorities. These are organisation that have power and control over how things are run. For example, Health and Social Care Trusts.

Expert Evidence



The last evidence we will hear will be expert evidence. This will help us to say what we think should be done next.

Hearing Timetable



Types of evidence 1-6

(and patient experience if witness statements)

- 20 March to 6 April
- 17 April to 4 May

Final Patient Experience Evidence

- 15 May to 16 May
- 22 May to 8 June
- 13 June to 15 June
- 20 June to 29 June

The Inquiry will not sit on Fridays.

The Inquiry will then take a break and start again in early September 2023.



We hope to finish all evidence by Spring 2024.