

MUCKAMORE ABBEY HOSPITAL INQUIRY

RESTRICTION ORDER

PURSUANT TO SECTION 19 INQUIRIES ACT 2005

Restriction Order No. 90 ("Brenda Creaney's Statement dated 30 August 2024")

I have power under section 19(1)(b) of the Inquiries Act 2005 to make orders restricting disclosure or publication of evidence or documents given, produced or provided to an inquiry.

This Order relates to part of the statement of Brenda Creaney dated 30 August 2024: MAHI – STM – 319. The Order requires that certain sections of the exhibit at pages 55 to 59 be redacted. The Order will be kept under review and may be required to be varied or revoked.

I am satisfied that the Order is conducive to the Inquiry fulfilling its terms of reference and is necessary in the public interest having regard to the matters specified in section 19(4).

STM-319 was made for the purpose of Evidence Module 6b (The Ennis Ward Adult Safeguarding Report). The Exhibit at pages 55-59 is a Nurses in Difficulty Table for 1 April 2013- February 2014. It contains highly sensitive and personal information regarding Belfast Health and Social Care Trust staff, including but not limited to, MAH staff connected to the Ennis Ward Adult Safeguarding Investigation. The information is of a kind over which an expectation of confidentiality would have attached. Only information relating to staff unconnected to the Ennis Ward Adult Safeguarding Investigation is redacted under this Restriction Order.

Therefore, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The information relating to staff unconnected to the Ennis Ward Adult Safeguarding Investigation, on pages 55 to 59 of STM 319 shall be replaced by the following gist:

"The Exhibit at pages MAHI – STM – 319-55 to MAH-STM-319- 59 is a Nurses in Difficulty Table for 1 April 2013- February 2014.

The redacted text contains information about nurses employed by the Belfast Health and Social Care Trust who were unconnected with the Ennis Ward Adult Safeguarding Investigation. It contains summaries of referrals made to the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) in respect of those nurses, including details of investigations and outcomes."

- 2. This Order remains in force for the duration of the Inquiry and at all times thereafter, unless otherwise ordered.
- 3. I may vary or revoke this Order by making a further Order during the course of the Inquiry.

Any threat to break this Order, or any breach of it, can be certified to the High Court under section 36 of the Inquiries Act, which will deal with it as though the breach had occurred in proceedings before that Court.

Made by the Chair on 11 October 2024

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Tom Kark KC Chair