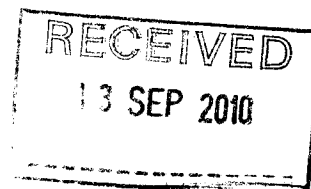


**WITNESS STATEMENT TO THE PUBLIC INQUIRY INTO THE OUTBREAK OF
CLOSTRIDIUM DIFFICILE IN NORTHERN TRUST HOSPITALS**

WITNESS NAME: THELMA WALLACE



STATEMENT

I Thelma Wallace say as follows:

1. Statement of Thelma Wallace

My name is Thelma Wallace and I live at an address that is known to the Inquiry team. I am a retired assistant nurse having worked for over thirty years at Muckamore Abbey Hospital. I also worked in recruitment for ten years. I am the sister in law of Samuel Brown deceased who died at Antrim Area Hospital on the 21st February 2008.

2. Statement of Denise Marshall

I have read the statement of my niece Denise Marshall, daughter of Samuel Brown. I agree with everything that she says in her statement.

3. Conclusion

In respect of care Samuel received at Antrim Area Hospital, my view is that there was no real care given. I have experience of other hospitals. Samuel

himself had been in Whiteabbey Hospital previously and he was well attended to there. I felt that there was a lack of sensitivity in the care given at Antrim.

I was present the day he was informed he had C diff and the nurse just informed him that is what he had contracted and that he would be moved into isolation. And that was it, no reason as to why he had it, what we could do to recover from it and no explanation at all really.

I declare that this statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signed:



Dated:8-9-10.....