

Witness Name: Margaret Cameron
Statement No.: WITN4169001
Dated: 31/08/2020

INFECTED BLOOD INQUIRY

WRITTEN STATEMENT OF MARGARET CAMERON

I provide this statement in response to a request under Rule 9 of the Inquiry Rules 2006 dated 30 April 2020

I, Margaret Cameron, will say as follows: -

Section 1: Introduction

1. I am Margaret Christina Graham Cameron [nee MacLeod]. My address is [GRO:C] [GRO:C] My date of birth is [GRO:C] 1964.

Professional qualifications:

- Registered General Nurse 1985
 - Registered Midwife 1988 [not currently practising]
 - Specialist Practitioner – District Nursing 1991
2. Employment history as a nurse:
 - October 1985 – January 1987 Staff Nurse Ward 23 [including haemophilia treatment room] Edinburgh Royal Infirmary
 - February 1987 – August 1988 Student Midwife Simpsons Memorial Maternity Pavilion/ South Lothian College of Nursing & Midwifery
 - September 1988 – August 1990 Staff Nurse Ward 34 Edinburgh Royal Infirmary
 - September 1990 – June 1991 Queen Margaret College Edinburgh District Nursing – specialist practitioner

- July 1991 – October 1991 Lothian Health Board Bank District Nurse
- October 1991 – January 1994 Marie Curie Staff Nurse Fairmilehead Marie Curie Hospice Edinburgh
- January 1994 – August 2003 Full time mother – 3 children 1994, 1996 and 1998.
- August 2003 – present day - District Nurse NHS Highland Mid Ross Team Dingwall

3. None.

4. No other involvement with any other Inquiries.

Section 2: The Haemophilia Centre at Edinburgh Hospital

5. I worked as a newly qualified Staff Nurse in Ward 23 from October 1985 until January 1987. This was a general medical/haematology ward. It had a small treatment room attached where haemophiliac patients could receive treatment as out patients. If I recall correctly, our involvement as ward staff was more in the evenings and at weekends when patients needed to receive Factor VIII.

The Haematology Consultant was Dr Christopher Ludlum, Ward Sister was Margaret MacSween and I think a senior staff nurse in the Haemophilia treatment room was Billie Reynolds.

I cannot recall any other staff names.

6. As this was 35 years ago, I only have a vague recollection. I think that patients were seen and examined by the ward doctor on call who prescribed treatment and this was made up/prepared by nursing staff.

Sections 3 – 8

7. I have read through all the questions in these sections and now, 35 years later, feel unable to comment or answer these areas.

My memory, after all this time, is such that I would have no faith that any answers I might give would be factually accurate.

Statement of Truth

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

Signed GRO:C

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