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COMMISSIONS OF INQUIRY ACT 1950

BUNDABERG HOSPITAL COMMISSION OF INQUIRY

STATEMENT OF MARTIN ROLLINGS

1. I, Martin Rollings c/o Queensland Health, Bundaberg Health Service District, Bundaberg in the State of Queensland acknowledge that this written statement by me is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
2. This statement is made without prior knowledge of any evidence or information held by the Inquiry which is potentially adverse to me and in the expectation that I will be afforded procedural fairness should any adverse allegation be raised against me.
3. I am currently employed by Queensland Health as Information Services Unit Manager for the Wide Bay/Burnett area which includes Bundaberg Health Service District.
4. I was asked to locate the electronic copy of a document which I was advised was referred to in the statement of Lindsay Druce to the Bundaberg Hospital Commission of Inquiry. I was advised that the document contained the word "Vancomycin" and should be located within the "RENAL" directory on the Bundaberg Hospital's File Server.
5. I initiated a search with these criteria and initially 17 files were identified as potential matches. A review of the actual contents of each file eliminated all but one file from the list of potential matches. The only matching file "2004 Catheter Stats.xls" was located within the "G:\Nursing\Wards\Renal\Peritoneal Dialysis & Transplant\PD\quality activities" directory on G Drive. It showed:
 - a) "Date of Creation" as 10 February 2004;
 - b) "Date Last Saved" as 20 October 2004;
 - c) "Date Last Printed" as 20 October 2004.
6. The file was an Excel spreadsheet with a heading "Peritoneal Dialysis Catheter Placements - 2003". The last line in the file was "x6 Peritoneal Dialysis Catheter Placed 2003". Attached and marked "MR-1" is a copy of the search results. The file listed 6 patients with following details:
 - a) Patient
 - b) Surgeon
 - c) Date Catheter Placed
 - d) Date of Catheter Problem
 - e) Catheter Problem
 - f) Outcome
 - g) Catheter Position
 - h) Infection

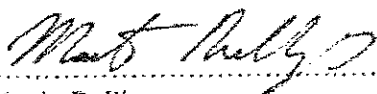
7. I was asked to locate any earlier versions of the above file. To locate the file, I arranged for a tape containing the backup of G Drive from 13 February 2004 to be scanned for files under any "RENAL" directories or sub-directories.
8. The file was located within the identified and restored **G:\Units\Wards\Renal\Peritoneal Dialysis & Transplant\PD\quality activities** directory. There had been a change in directory name due to a restructure of G Drive which was undertaken over a period of time between February 2004 and September 2004.
9. This restored directories included a file titled **"2004 Catheter Stats.xls"** containing an Excel spreadsheet. It showed:
 - a) "Date of Creation" as 10 February 2004;
 - b) "Date Last Saved" as 10 February 2004;
 - c) "Date Last Printed" as 10 February 2004.
10. The file was an Excel spreadsheet with a heading **"Peritoneal Dialysis Stats"**. Attached and marked **"MR-2"** is a copy of the search results from the copy restored from the 13 February 2004 tape. The file listed 6 patients with following details:
 - a) Patient
 - b) Surgeon
 - c) Date Catheter Placed
 - d) Date of Catheter Problem
 - e) Catheter Problem
 - f) Outcome
 - g) Catheter Position
 - h) Infection
11. A tape containing the backup of G Drive from the 27 February 2004 was scanned for files under any "RENAL" directories or sub-directories which also started with "2004". Again, this identified and restored a **"2004 Catheter Stats.xls"** file from within the **"G:\Units\Wards\Renal\Peritoneal Dialysis & Transplant\PD\quality activities"** directory. This restored file had the same attributes as the copy restored from the 13 February 2004 tape.
12. A tape containing the backup of G Drive from the 31 March 2004 was scanned for files under any "RENAL" directories or sub-directories which also started with "2004". Again, this identified and restored a **"2004 Catheter Stats.xls"** file from within the **"G:\Units\Wards\Renal\Peritoneal Dialysis & Transplant\PD\quality activities"** directory. This restored file had the same attributes as the copy restored from the 13 February 2004.
13. Attempts to restore copies from the five available backup tapes dated between April 2004 and 20 October 2004 have been unsuccessful. While other data, such as email databases, on these tapes can be retrieved, attempts to retrieve data from the session containing G Drive data have failed. Efforts to extract the data from the problem session have included using different tape drives, various versions of the software and even a different software product.

14. It therefore appears that:

- a) a file (MR-2) listing 6 patients was created and saved on 10 February 2004,
- b) no modifications were saved to the file between the 10 February 2004 and the 31 March 2004,
- c) modifications were saved on the 20 October 2004, and
- d) no modifications were made after 20 October 2004.

15. At present, it can not be determined whether modifications to the file were saved after 31 March 2004 but prior to 20 October 2004.

Signed at Hervey Bay on 2 September 2005

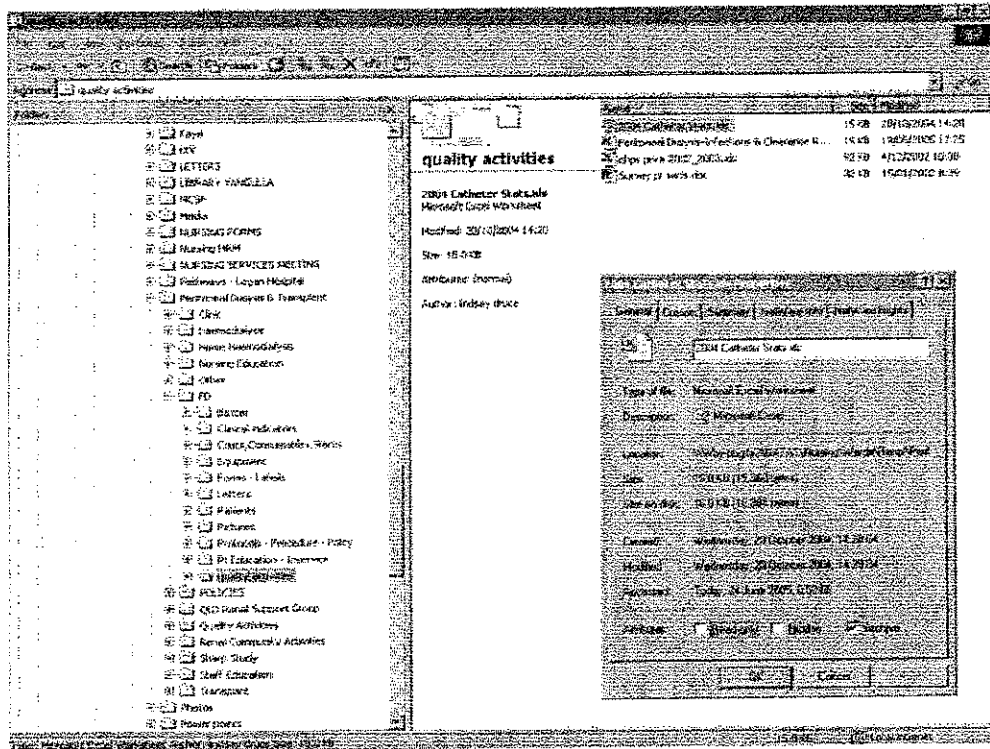


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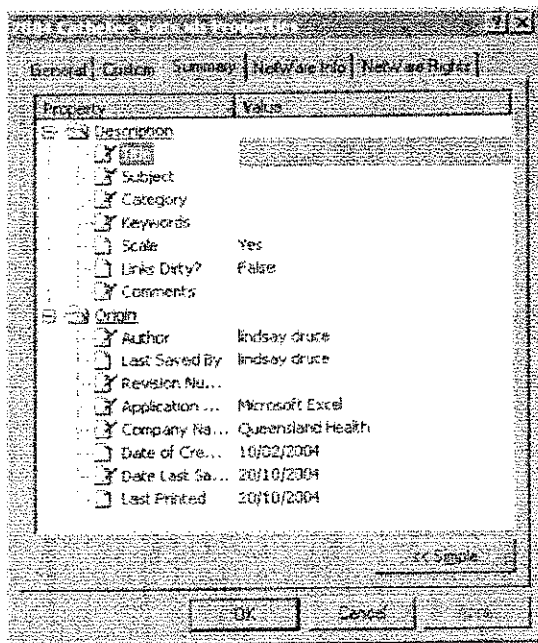
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Screen Dump of File Properties from:

G Drive: G:\Nursing\Wards\Renal\Peritoneal Dialysis & Transplant\PD\quality activities
File Name: 2004 Catheter Stats.xls



and Screen Dump of associated Summary Tab for the same File:

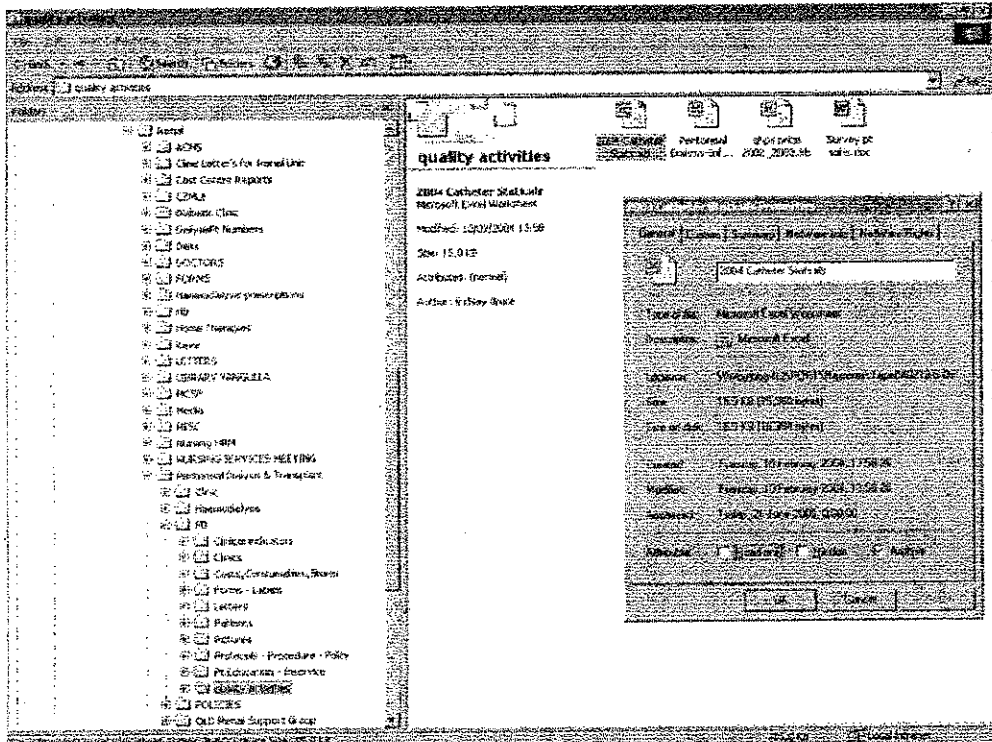


Peritoneal Dialysis Catheter Placements - 2003

Patient	Surgeon	Date Catheter Placed	Date of Catheter Problem	Catheter Problem	Outcome	Catheter Position	Infection
P8	Patel	15/08/2003	19/09/2003	Migration	Surgical intervention	upwards	chronic exit-site infection & peritonitis
P19	Patel	3/12/2003		Migration	Deceased prior to catheter repair	side-upwards	
P24	Patel	30/09/2003	4/11/2003	Infection Catheter Position	MRSA treated with IV Vancomycin	side-upwards	exit-site infection MRSA
P31	Patel	19/09/2003		Infection Catheter Position	Peritonitis treated as in-patient with IP AB's	upwards	chronic exit-site infection serratia
P30	Patel	14/11/2003	16/12/2003	Migration	Surgical intervention Died	side-ways	
P45	Patel	6/10/2003	18/11/2003	Impaired Outflow Drainage	Surgical intervention Hernia repair performed privately	side-ways	nil to date
x6 Peritoneal Dialysis Catheter Placed 2003							

"MR-2"

Screen Dump of File Properties from:
Restored File from 13 Feb 2004 Tape:
G:\Units\Wards\Renal\Peritoneal Dialysis &
Transplant\PD\quality activities
File Name: 2004 Catheter Stats.xls



and Screen Dump of associated Summary Tab for the same File:

