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Telephone Call – Dr Younis Iffikhar – 27 Sep 04

Re: Desmond Bramich

Younis remembered this case as he was responsible for the initial resuscitation of Mr Bramich, upon return to ICU. He noted that he had consulted with Dr Carter about the care in this case, was aware of Dr Carter's review and concurred with his views.

When questioned about any inappropriate behaviour by Dr Patel in this case, he noted one incident in ICU when the chest tube had stopped working and 3 staff were discussing the situation. He believed that Dr Patel's volume and tone was very loud and not appropriate at that time, especially with relatives in attendance.

He did believe that Dr Patel did slow the transfer of Mr Bramich who was stable enough for transfer between 1500-1600 hours. Dr Younis questioned the need for the CT scan. He claimed that he spoke to Dr James Gaffield about the transfer and sought Dr Carter's input and felt there was resistance from Dr Patel. He felt Dr Patel's attitude was one of BBH must keep the patient at all costs and questioning what would or could be done in Brisbane. Dr Younis noted that Dr Patel made multiple attempts at pericardiocentesis, which distressed those involved in Mr Bramich's care.

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