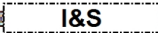


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From: McPartland Jo
Sent: 06 December 2016 16:14
To: Kokai George (George.Kokai@ Shukla Rajeev
Subject: COCH neonatal deaths

Dear George and Rajeev

I have just taken a call from the COCH MD. Luckily nothing to do with them taking work away from us!

They have had a spate of neonatal deaths, culminating in downgrading of their unit, a RCPCH invited review, and a separate independent expert review of 13 deaths and 4 near misses. This independent expert neonatologist has suggested that in 4 of the PMs, it might be worth a follow up discussion with the pathologists to see if further light can be shed on the issues. I suggested that he should write to us with the case details and the questions of the neonatologist, and we would be happy to review our reports and any new evidence and comment appropriately, or meet with clinicians to coincide with the PNM if required. I suggested he should check with Mr Rheinberg that he is happy in the event they are Coroner's cases.

I hope this is ok. I explained that we would have discussed the cases at the PNM already.

Best wishes,
Jo

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