

BRI INQUIRY**Comments of the United Bristol Healthcare NHS Trust on the
Witness Statement of Mrs Penelope Plackett
regarding her daughter Sophie****Paragraph 19**

The Trust much regrets Mrs Plackett's view that the care at the Bristol Royal Hospital for Sick Children was inferior to the excellent care Sophie had received in the Intensive Care Unit on the Cardiac Surgical Unit at the Bristol Royal Infirmary. There has been a complete change of staff on the baby unit at the Children's Hospital and so it is not now possible to interview staff and obtain their comments on the points that Mrs Plackett makes.

Sophie's nursing care plan identifies her as being a slow feeder and needing careful positioning of her tongue on the bottle.

The nursing plan also identifies the care to be given for the nappy rash, including the administration of Nystatin, an anti-fungal treatment. A gradual improvement in skin condition is noted over 6 days. Medication was given 3 times a day for 4 days, and intermittently over the following 6 days.

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Sophie's transfer to Exeter was planned over 2 days. The Hospital Chaplain notes, following a conversation with Mrs Plackett, that she planned to liaise directly with the local paediatrician and health visitor.

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