

**MINUTES OF THE CARDIAC SURGERY ASSOCIATE DIRECTORATE MEETING HELD ON 6 JUNE 1995, AT 5.30 PM IN THE JACKMAN ROOM**

**PRESENT:** Mr A Powade  
 Prof G Angelini  
 Richard Downes  
 Mr A Bryan  
 Prof J Vann Jones  
 Dr S Pryn  
 Mr J Hutter  
 S Woodhouse  
 Mrs Rachel Ferris  
 Dean Bodill  
 F Thomas  
 E Tilley  
 Dr S Masey  
 Mr J Dhasmana  
 C Jenkins  
 Dr C Monk

1. Apologies

Mr J Wisheart, M Herborn, R Lanyon

2. Minutes of the meeting held on 2 May 1995

These were agreed as a correct record.

3. Matters Arising

i Blood Gas Analyzer

A meeting has been organised to discuss the future siting of the blood gas machine.

4. Coding Issues

S Woodhouse from the coding department joined the meeting. Discharge summaries are still very poorly documented. Cardiac Surgery needs some advice about the various types of codes to link to operations. Unfortunately at the present time PATS computer is down, but information will be back dated.

5. BUPA sub contract

Gill Martin attended the meeting to discuss with the Surgeons the work at the Glen. During May only 6 NHS operations were performed. The aim is for 12 cases during a 4 week month and 15 cases during a 5 week month. June is looking better as 10 are booked. Professor G Angelini commented that the operation time at the Glen did not necessarily fit in with the Surgeons schedule. The days available at the Glen were Thursdays am and Fridays pm. A session is available on Wednesdays by after 5.00 pm. RCF commented that as we presently lose £1,500 per NHS case operated at the Glen outside of NHS time she was unable to cover extra charges encountered with out of hours work. Gill Martin felt that more operating sessions may become available during the summer due to annual leave. J Hutter suggested that cardiac surgery medical staff were stretched on Fridays, with 4 cases at BRI, 2 out patient clinics and 1 operation at the Glen. Gill Martin questioned the possibility of Senior Registrars operating at the Glen. This option was unanimously rejected by the Surgeons. J Hutter expressed concern that the extra work at the Glen was very demanding on Consultants. JPD questioned the suitability of the resident doctor at the Glen. Gill Martin reassured the