



Update

Please see our other easy read information if you want to know more about the Inquiry.

Hearings Update



Hearings are meetings where we listen to evidence.

Hearings have now started.

In June we heard the main points that will be talked about in the inquiry.



We looked at CCTV videos.

In the week starting 27 June the panel will hear **evidence** from people about patient experiences.



Evidence is anything that you see, experience, read or are told. It helps us find out what happened.



Patients can be **anonymous**. This means their names will not be used in

- evidence they give
- or evidence given about them.

Evidence from patients and their families will not be put on our website for everyone to see.

Their evidence will only be seen by

- people in hearing rooms
- and **Core Participants**. Core participants can see this evidence online using a password.



A **Core Participant** is a person or organisation who has a big role to play in what the Inquiry is about.



The Inquiry will meet in 2022 on

- Tuesday 28 June
- Wednesday 29 June
- Thursday 30 June
- Tuesday 5 July
- Wednesday 6 July.



A timetable saying when evidence will be given is on our website.

www.mahinquiry.org.uk

Hearings will start again in September 2022.

Restriction Order Update



Restriction Orders are instructions from a court. There are different types.



Restriction Order No. 1

This restriction order stops people seeing information about you in evidence.



A change was made to this restriction order. It now says police can see information about you in evidence they ask for.



Restriction Order No. 2

This restriction order can stop patient names being used in the

- evidence they give
- or evidence given about them.

This means people do not know who they are.

Three changes have been made.



Change 1

You can now say that you want your name to be used in evidence.



Change 2

The Inquiry can now give the names of patients to Core Participants and their lawyers if they have signed an agreement not to share this information.

This will help understand evidence and do their job well.

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Change 3

The order now says the Inquiry can give the names of patients to the police if it helps them do their job.



Restriction Order No. 4

This restriction order is new. It says that past and present ward staff cannot be named if someone says they took part in abuse.

Staff in a management or governance role can be named.

Police and Core Participants can know staff names.



This helps make sure the Inquiry does not make problems for police work.



We hope this restriction order will help staff give us evidence. They will have a chance to reply to anything people say they did.

Witness Expenses



There are new rules about paying you back for things you buy when giving the Inquiry evidence. For example, transport costs.

We call these rules MAHI Protocol No. 5. You can find them on our website.

www.mahinquiry.org.uk/publications/protocol-no5-witness-expenses

The rules come with a form to fill in to get your money paid back. The form is on our website.

www.mahinquiry.org.uk/publications/witness-expenses-claim-form