

**Schedule of Evidence
New Case of Conduct
Dr Patrick Vernon Finn Cosgrove
Session beginning 19 January 2004**

- C1 Risperidone Survey
 - C2 Series of letters signed by [REDACTED]
 - C3 Entitled "In the document and handbook referred to in this statement"
 - C4 Bundle of documents relating to injury compensation
 - C5 Clinical Notes
 - C6 Memo from P Lynn to [REDACTED] dated 5/9/02
 - C7 Bundle R v Leominster Magistrates Court; A Health Authority v X and others; R v Feltham Magistrates Court
 - C8 Committee bundle relating to Patients referred to in the NOI
 - C9 CV of Professor Taylor
 - C10 Article by Dennis P Cantwell ADD: A review of the past 10 years
 - C11 Article entitled Practice Parameters for the Assessment and Treatment of Children, Adolescents and Adults with Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder
 - C12 Extracts from the Medical Records of Patient A
 - C13 Letter from Dr Moses to [REDACTED] dated 1 July 1999
 - C14 Mrs D's name and address
 - C15 Letter from Dr Cosgrove to GMC dated 16 March 2004
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- D1 Letter from [REDACTED] dated 23/9/96
 - D2 Letter from [REDACTED] dated 18/8/00
 - D3 Foster Report, Enquiry into the Practice and Effects of Scientology
 - D4 Copies of letters signed by [REDACTED]
 - D5 Letters extracted from GP records
 - D6 Letter from [REDACTED] dated 18/8/00
 - D7 Letter from CCHR to the GMC dated 31/10/00
 - D8 Statement of [REDACTED]
 - D9 Signatures of [REDACTED] in 2 categories
 - D10 Report of [REDACTED]
 - D11 Additional signatures
 - D12 Letter from CCHR dated 28/6/00 to GMC
 - D13 Comments by Janice Hill on CCHR
 - D14 Article from Newcastle Times dated 24/11/88
 - D15 E-mail re: Northern Echo Article
 - D16 Web Pages from CCHR website
 - D17 Letter from CCHR dated 28/3/01 and 9/5/01 to GMC
 - D18 Letter from MPS to GMC dated 25/1/01
 - D19 Letter from GMC to MPS dated 9/10/02

- D20 Press Release
- D21 Article dated 20/9/02 (Bath Chronicle)
- D22 Bundle of defence documents containing letters and other documentation
- D23 R v Croydon Justices ex parte DEAN
- D24 Mark Andrew Bloomfield, Court of Appeal 25 June 1996
- D25 Article on non disclosure abuse
- D26 Memo from Mr Lynn to [REDACTED] 12/9/02
- D27 Letter from RLB to [REDACTED] dated 5/11/03
- D28 further clinical notes relating to Patient G
- D29 Further patient notes relating to Patient C
- D30 Correspondence relating to Patient D
- D31 Patient D chronology
- D32 Mrs C's name and sons name
- D33 Mrs E's name and sons name
- D34 Extract from paper on ADHD. A Handbook for Diagnosis and Treatment Ed. Russell Barkley
- D35 Dr Cosgrove's statement
- D36 Bundle of testimonials
- D27 Bundle of correspondence

Kam,
Hope this reaches you!
I am trying to establish if the claims made here are accurate.
Speak to you soon,
Gemma Collins,
Deputy news editor, The Bath Chronicle.

PSYCHIATRIST UNDER SCRUTINY FOR PRESCRIBING PRACTICES

Toddlers being prescribed mind-altering drugs

A batch of complaints on Bath-based psychiatrist Patrick Cosgrove may soon be the subject of a General Medical Council (GMC) inquiry into his practice. Complaints from all quarters of the medical profession, as well as patients, have been lodged with the GMC about Dr. Cosgrove, who runs his private practice from the Bristol Priority Clinic, Bath. Both his conduct and his performance have come under scrutiny and the case is currently at the screening stage with the GMC.

Cosgrove has come under fire for his unorthodox views and prescribing methods in treating children said to be suffering from the highly controversial Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD). One complaint lodged with the GMC detailed how Cosgrove prescribed powerful anti-psychotic drugs to children as part of a clinical trial despite warnings that the drug should not be taken by anyone under 15 years old.

Parents have come under increasing pressure to put their children on drugs. Cosgrove told them to put pressure on doctors, especially child psychiatrists, to prescribe drugs. Concerns however over the stigmatising effects of the diagnoses and the side effects of the drugs were heightened when Cosgrove made alarming comments in investigations into psychiatric practices. He said, "Psychiatrists will always get away with it, because no one can ever prove that what they did or what they didn't do was responsible for the patient killing themselves."

The Citizens Commission on Human Rights (CCHR), a psychiatric watchdog group established by the Church of Scientology in 1969, has been investigating Cosgrove for over two years. CCHR national spokesperson Brian Daniels, said, "We found Dr Cosgrove was practising privately, and didn't have to answer to anyone concerning his methods. This is why it's important that complaints are lodged with the GMC so they can monitor what doctors like Cosgrove are doing. The GMC is the official body that can bring disciplinary action against him.

We also found psychiatrists selectively withholding information from parents about ADHD, preventing them from making a fully informed choice about their children's

futures. CCHR has already lodged several complaints with the GMC and we are willing to help any other parents with complaints whose children have been stigmatised after being labelled and drugged."

The lack of objective scientific criteria confirming the existence of ADHD has brought about a division of medical opinion. Apart from including indicators of normal childhood behaviour, the criteria also include behavioural symptoms that can be caused by numerous physical conditions, the treatment of which does not require the use of mind-altering drugs.

The GMC are planning to make a decision by the end of this month on which course of action to take regarding the complaints against Cosgrove.

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In reply, please quote

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2 May 2001

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GENERAL MEDICAL COUNCIL

*Protecting patients,
guiding doctors*

Dear Dr Cosgrove

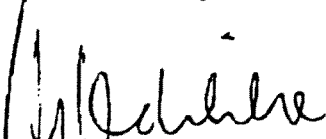
My colleague Mrs Maduako wrote to you by letter dated 12 February 2001, informing you about a complaint we received about you from Dr Helen Chubb, Carlisle and Vale NHS Trust.

Your complaint has been considered by both a medical and non-medical member of the GMC. They are appointed to decide whether the GMC should take forward complaints about the conduct and performance of doctors. This letter conveys their decision.

The members were concerned about the allegations made against you and have therefore made a decision to refer this matter for consideration under our performance procedures.

The file on this complaint has now been transferred to the performance team and you will hear from them in due course.

Yours sincerely



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MP meets RUH chief

WAITING lists at Bath's Royal United Hospital have been put under scrutiny by an MP.

Dr Andrew Murrison, MP for Westbury, visited the RUH yesterday. He met the new chief executive, Jan Filochowski, to discuss problems facing the hospital.

Dr Murrison was also given a tour of the hospital's facilities.

"My concern is obviously the waits for treatment at the RUH and also the problem of messaging waiting lists," he said.

"We discussed both of those issues. My message is that waiting times have come down, particularly for long waits, and I want to pay tribute to the hard work of Jan, his management team and health staff for bringing that about."



WAITING

LISTS:

Dr Andrew

Murrison

MP talks

to Jan

Filochowski,

chief

executive of

the Royal

United

Hospital

PICTURE:

Kevin Bates

BATH NEWS IN BRIEF

Chance to see top physicist

SIXTH formers have a rare chance to see one of the world's leading scientists in action at a special lecture.

Nobel prize-winning physicist William Phillips is visiting the University of Bath, where he will levitate objects, shatter flowers into shards of ice, and batter tennis balls around the lecture hall in a bid to demonstrate his leading-edge work on ultra-low temperatures.

His lecture is aimed at a non-specialist audience but discusses some of the newest and most exciting developments in physics.

His lecture will describe how laser cooling works, and why it works better than anyone had expected it to.

His lecture, Almost Absolute Zero: the story of laser cooling and trapping, is on November 19 at 2.30pm in the University Hall.

Groups of sixth formers interested in attending should contact the physics department at the University of Bath on 3866154.

Flute ensemble

THE 30 members of the Fantasia Flute Ensemble will be performing at Central United Reformed Church in Argyle Street on Saturday, October 19 at 7.30pm.

The Ensemble is one of the largest flute choirs in the south of England.

Like a traditional flute choir, the ensemble incorporates the flute range from piccolo to bass. Tickets are available from the Bath Festivals Box Office, Church Street, on 463362.

Terry Poll
Chronicle correspondent

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RESPONSE: child psychiatrist claims he only has to answer to parents

Complaint against doctor

By Gemma Collins

A PSYCHIATRIST whose work with children has been criticised could face an investigation.

The Citizens' Commission on Human Rights (CCHR) claims complaints about Dr Patrick Cosgrove's conduct and performance have been lodged with the General Medical Council (GMC).

But Dr Cosgrove, who lives in Bath and practises in Bristol, said he had not had any communication from the GMC about any complaints.

The CCHR is a psychiatric watchdog group set up by the Church of Scientology in 1969.

It claims Dr Cosgrove has come under fire for his views and methods of treating children with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder and claims the GMC was due to make a decision soon about whether to take action regarding the complaints.

CCHR spokesman Brian Daniels said the group found Dr Cosgrove was practising privately and accepting complaints with the GMC ignoring his methods were being monitored by CCHR, complained previously.

But Dr Cosgrove hit back saying "I have to answer to the patients, not the parents. I don't like what you are saying, but you are out of a job. It is not the first time the CCHR has complained to the GMC about Dr Cosgrove."

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EXHIBITS

Fitness To Practise Panel (Resumed)

Dr Patrick Vernon Finn Cosgrove

1 July 2005

GMC EXHIBITS:-

C1 - Documents relating to Service

C2 – Letter to [REDACTED] from Dr Cosgrove re Px B

C3 – Letter to [REDACTED] from Dr Cosgrove re Px C

C4 – Letter to Dr Moses from Dr Cosgrove re Px C

C5 – Letter to [REDACTED] from Dr Cosgrove re Px C

C6 – Letter to [REDACTED] from Dr Cosgrove re Px E

C7 - Letter to [REDACTED] from Dr Cosgrove re Px H