



# Inquest into Dr Suresh's death 25 to 27 February 2020

## Pre- Inquest Press Release Dated 24 February 2020

BAPIO is very concerned about the tragic loss of life of a doctor.

We feel that this doctor was a victim of the systems' callousness and was left unsupported in the most trying time by the very systems which he worked so selflessly for during his long and unblemished career.

His employer completely failed him by not offering any support and instead treating him like a criminal and untouchable; the police and social services assumed he was guilty till proven innocent and the GMC completely failed to appreciate the implications of their actions which in the past have led to many physician suicides.

It is our sincere hope that this inquest leads to the focus being brought on the 'second victim' of the overbearing regulatory regime so that employers, regulators, police and social services never forget their duties of compassion and fairness to professionals.

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