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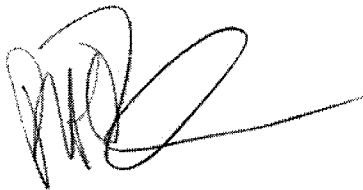
Dear Dr Stephenson

I have met with Drs Daniels and Sanford-Wood and discussed whether we should comply with your request for a meeting on the terms you outlined in your letter of 13th July 2009. We have also taken advice on the matter.

Our decision is that we do not believe that a meeting will be beneficial in resolving the questions you have posed as they largely relate to the exercise of the duties that the LMC has to the profession with regard to professional performance and responsibility and also to the operation of the agreed GP Performance Policy of NHS Devon. All three of us have acted as Officers of the LMC in our dealings with this matter and each of us has also acted within the policy on effective Sub-Committees of NHS Devon.

Your questions of the timing of various steps within the operation of the policy are more properly made to NHS Devon.

Yours sincerely



Dr Peter Jolliffe
Chief Officer