



A young patient who died of dehydration at a leading teaching hospital phoned police from his bed because he was so thirsty, an inquest heard yesterday.

Officers arrived at Kane Gorny's bedside, but were told by nurses that he was in a confused state and were sent away.

The keen footballer and runner, 22, died of dehydration a few hours later.

Following his death, a nurse allegedly inquired whether the family, from Balham, South-West London, was 'finished' and asked a matron in front of them whether she could 'bag him up'.

In an interview with the Daily Mail in 2010, Miss Cronin said of the nurses who treated him: 'They were lazy, careless and hadn't bothered to check his charts and see his medication was essential. He was totally dependent on the nurses to help him and they totally betrayed him.'

TVNL Comment: The level of care provided by nursing staffs are reflections on their leadership. Accepting "lazy" patient care habits are the fault of management, including head nurses and doctors. There are many wonderful nurses out there who are stuck working in terrible establishments and the medical establishment is as political as can be. If a nurse "complained" his/her career would be threatened.

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