



## **Findings and Decisions following Fitness to Practise Committee Inquiry Nurses Act, 1985**

**Name:** Ms. Mary Frances Stott, P.I.N. 60384

**Finding of the Fitness to Practise Committee:** Professional Misconduct

Allegation proven against Ms. Stott:

That you being a registered nurse when you were employed in Hospital X and working in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit in that hospital, and notwithstanding repeated guidance and instruction you displayed poor clinical skills and failed to respond or act appropriately on the following occasion:-

- Later again on the 20th June, 2005, in response to the same baby having an episode of bradycardia you increased the oxygen rate and repeatedly pressed the “manual breath” button on the ventilator. You failed to recognize that the baby required suctioning, to take any steps to stabilise her condition, to seek assistance or otherwise ensure that the baby was provided with proper care.

**Board Sanction:** Pursuant to Section 41 (1) of the Nurses Act, 1985, Ms. Stott was **censured** in relation to her professional misconduct and pursuant to Section 40 (1) of the Act, conditions were attached to the retention of her name in the Register of Nurses. The decision to attach **conditions** to the retention of Ms. Stott’s name in the Register was confirmed by the High Court on 3rd December, 2007.