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STATEMENT

March 27, 2019 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

The Mandeville Regional Hospital (MRH) in Manchester has conducted investigation into the claim by Ms. Shereen Hamilton that she delivered twin babies at the hospital in September 2000; however, she was only given one baby.

Ms. Hamilton was admitted to the MRH on September 14, 2000 and discharged on September 16, 2000. The coding and abstracting procedure showed that Ms. Hamilton had a single live born delivery.

For each patient discharged from the hospital, the record goes through a process called coding and abstracting, where the diagnosis of the patient is assigned the correct code number as stipulated by the World Health Organization/International Classification of Diseases Coding Manual.

The abstraction phase involves reading the entire record of the health encounter of a particular patient to determine what condition the patient had, what caused the condition and how it was treated. The information is normally extracted from sources within the medical records such as diagnostic results, clinical notes and operation notes. An abstract is completed electronically stating the patient's information, condition and outcome.

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