

Sex predator' doctor 'urges' hospital staff to sign letter of support

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PETALING JAYA: The senior doctor said to have sexually abused female housemen has pressured medical officers and specialists under him to sign a letter vouching for his performance as the department head.

According to sources, he instructed one of his medical staff to draft a letter of support for him on Tuesday (Jul 31) and asked other medical staff, including nurses, to sign it.

He also allegedly phoned medical officers and specialists the night before to urge them to sign the letter.

A draft of the letter was sighted by The Star, and purportedly it is addressed to the independent inquiry body investigating the matter.

The body comprises representatives from Health ministry, Women, Family, Community Development Ministry and other relevant agencies.

The letter stated that under his leadership, the hospital's Orthopaedic department had achieved an excellent track record and was respected by many.

It is expected that the petition letter would be prepared and sent in by Wednesday (Aug 1), said a source.

The source also said the department head was identifying those who had not signed the petition to urge them to sign it.

On Sunday (July 29), The Star carried a front page expose of the sex predator in a Klang Valley hospital and since then, more victims, including housemen, have come forward to lodge complaints of sexual abuse that occurred in hospitals, said the Health Ministry.

The department head is said to have gone on indefinite leave, following media reports on the matter.