

Scotland's Redress Scheme

Application form **Part 2**

Additional statement pages

Name

Jennifer Froude

Date of birth

Day 26

Month 07

Year 1960

Your statement for additional care settings

In Part 1, you will have already provided information about the care settings you were abused in. By providing this information here, your case worker can join together the name of the care setting with your statement of abuse.

Q1 | What is the name or location of the relevant care setting you were abused in?

(For example, the name of the care home, or the city or region where you lived in foster care or while boarded out).

St Joseph's Hospital

Do not worry if you are uncertain about dates or time. Please provide your best estimate.

Q2 | When were you abused?

For example: a single date, an age, or an approximate time or time range.

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You do not have to provide names, if you cannot remember or do not feel comfortable doing so. If you do provide a name it will be passed to Police Scotland.

Q3 | Who was involved in your abuse?

For example: a member of staff, a peer or someone outside the care setting.

The information you provide will be used by Redress Scotland to make a decision about your application. Redress Scotland will use the "Assessment framework" to help them do this, available on [gov.scot](https://www.gov.scot). Please be aware that it contains graphic descriptions of abuse.

Q4 | On the next page, please provide as much information as you can about:

- the abuse you experienced while living in this care setting
- what life was like for you during this time
- how the people responsible for your care and welfare failed to carry out that duty (within or beyond your care setting)

You can continue on additional pages if you need to.

Part 2 of the application form provides more information about what you may want to include.

Your statement for additional care settings

This was the worst place I was ever sent to. It was like an institution with a mental health hospital attached. They had no beds available for us, so they put us in the hospital ward instead. I was only about nine years old. I remember being surrounded by severely unwell patients, and I was absolutely terrified.

I remember lying in bed at night, hearing people moving around. One woman was screaming, had wet herself, and came over towards me. I was crying out for someone to help me because I was so frightened but no one came. I felt completely alone. I was too scared to go to sleep, so I kept a torch on beside me because I was terrified of the dark.

One of the nuns, Sister Thumber, frightened me more than anyone. Whenever I heard her coming, I would panic. On this occasion, she grabbed my face so hard that it hurt. I remember feeling completely powerless and terrified. I was only nine years old and should have been cared for and protected, but instead I lived in constant fear.

Sister Thumber was particularly cruel towards me. She would grab me, twist my arm, and hurt me. I was a Catholic, and I felt that she treated me differently because of my religion. She would say hurtful things to me that I did not fully understand at the time, but I knew they were meant to upset me.

Every Sunday, I was made to wear a hat to chapel. It never fitted properly, and she would force it into place by grabbing and pulling at my face, hurting me in the process. I remember dreading chapel because I knew how she would treat me. It was humiliating, frightening, and made me feel completely powerless. I was only a child and should have been cared for, not treated with such cruelty.

The whole experience left me feeling frightened, unsafe, and deeply traumatised. No child should have been placed in that environment, and the fear I experienced there has stayed with me throughout my life.