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Dear Colleague

HEPATITIS C

Following the Haemophilia Society's Campaign, there have been a lot of enquiries about patients with haemophilia who have been infected by Hepatitis C. Our Ministers have approved the three attached drafts, which I hope will help you answer enquiries you receive. The drafts are:

HC to answer letters specifically prompted by the Haemophilia Society's campaign

HEPCBT to answer letters about patients who may have been infected with Hepatitis C as a result of NHS treatment, but do not mention the Haemophilia Society's campaign or the issue of compensation

HEPCBTOM to answer letters about patients who may have been infected with Hepatitis C as a result of NHS treatment, without mentioning the Haemophilia Society's campaign, but raise the issue of compensation.

With so many enquiries being prompted by the campaign, I think HC will be the draft you need most.

I hope this will help you, but do let me know if you need any further information.

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