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05/12/2003 15:56

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Subject: Re: CJD Incidents Panel: Blood and other Issues

Dear All,
Please find attached two submissions, which we shall be discussing with CMO on Monday, prior to deciding what will be put to our Ministers.

One covers the Panel's recommendations for management of blood incidents, and their implications. The other sets out our plans for initiating the public awareness campaign for the database proposals.

I think you should be aware of the former via Pip, but may not be aware of the second.

Clearly important to try to co-ordinate on both issues, which we expect to be triggered by publication of the Panel's framework document, as agreed by our CMOs. At present, we anticipate that publication will happen early in the New Year.

We shall let you know our CMO's views next week. Please direct any queries on blood incident management to Pip, and on the public awareness campaign to John.
Thanks,

Rowena

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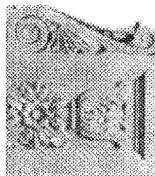
John McCracken
05/12/2003 15:27

To: Rowena Jecock/PH6/DOH/GB@GRO-C
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Rowena

At what stage will the submissions get copied to DAs? And has someone discussed the publication handling business with them, because I haven't?

John
Ailsa Wight



Ailsa Wight
05/12/2003 13:36

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Subject: CJD Incidents Panel: Blood and other Issues



Please see the attached submissions deal with two key issues relating to the CJD Incidents Panel, specifically:

- management of Incidents relating to the blood supply; and
- the handling strategy for publishing the Panel's Framework document and the wider issues around the database.

I think David Harper has already alerted CMO.

We are sending these on limited circulation for the moment following discussion with David, although DA colleagues are aware.

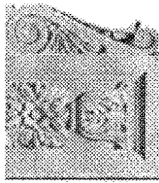
In addition you will note the position in relation to outstanding actions to be completed in relation to CJD Incidents Panel's recommendations.

- Development of communications toolkit for Trusts to use in informing patients and their local community about a CJD incident;
- Establishment of a group of experts, who can assist healthcare professionals to inform their patients about their potential exposure;

CMO asked the HPA to take responsibility for these actions (letter to Dr Troop in ...03). Both are underway, but neither are yet complete. We have recently met with HPA to stress the importance of getting the expert group in place by the end of this year, so that risk communication to blood product recipients can then be undertaken swiftly once Ministers are content to proceed).

- Campaign to raise public awareness about the proposed database of exposed patients, for whom public health protective action is not currently considered necessary;
- Negotiations with the financial services industry, to ensure individuals implicated in incidents are not penalised by the industry.

Both the above are the responsibility of DH. Our plans for the public awareness campaign are set out in one of the accompanying submissions. Initial discussions with the financial services sector have taken place.



Ailsa Wight

05/12/2003 11:27

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Subject: CJD Incidents Panel: Blood and other Issues: URGENT



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Please see the attached draft submissions and cover note on outstanding actions for CMO, as discussed yesterday.

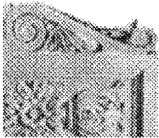
Annex C and the full final Framework document to go with Annex B, referred to in the first submission below on the Incidents Panel and Blood, are awaited - we hope to have them in hard copy or electronically on Monday.

Very happy to discuss if you wish before Monday's meeting with CMO. Equally, if you want the package forwarded to CMO before the weekend please let me/Rowena know.

Thanks

Ailsa

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Ailsa Wight

04/12/2003 16:14

To: siobhan jones
 cc: harper david, hetherington, michael clarke, gutowski, bickler
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DRAFT - NOT YET SENT TO CMO - SUBJECT TO AGREEMENT

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