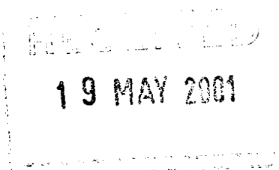


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 I enclose a draft letter for comments to go oput next week with the
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To All Haemophilia Centre Doctors

Dear Colleague

Recombinant Shortage

Following my recent letter, the Advisory Committee of UKHCDO met on the 15th of May to review the current guidelines on the use of Recombinant factor VIII and to consider a scheme for re-allocating recombinant factor VIII from centres with an adequate inventory to centres in danger of running out completely. I enclose a copy of our revised guidance.

It is clear that, although the supply situation may begin to ease in August and particularly in September, the shortage during May, June and July will get much more severe and is likely to be worse than many had anticipated. For that reason it is important that patients over the age of 16 should be taken off recombinant factor VIII as soon as possible to conserve supplies both locally and nationally. In many large and small haemophilia centres this has already taken place and in several large haemophilia centres all patients previously treated with plasma derived products have already been taken off recombinant factor VIII.

If, having taken these steps, you find that your monthly allocation of Recombinate and/or Refacto is in excess of your reduced requirement then please let me and the manufacturer know the extent of that excess so that it may be made available for temporary re-allocation to centres who currently have no supply at all. When the supply of recombinant increases, your original allocation will be restored to you.

It will also be necessary to review stock levels and requirements on a regular basis. This process will be managed by UKHCDO with logistic support and co-ordination from Mr Howard Stokoe and his colleagues at the National Supplies Agency.

If you have any further enquiries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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