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see also  
Patricia,

DECISION

**MACFARLANE AND EILEEN TRUSTS**

These Trusts provide funding for people infected with HIV through NHS blood products. The attached note from Caroline Flint asks for your views on their request that their budget be increased from £3m to over £7m per year. The accompanying document covers their reasons for this request in more detail.

Given the current pressure on central budgets this increase is not feasible, and Caroline is not convinced this is necessary in any case. She identifies three potential options:

1. Continue to provide £3m
2. Offer a modest increase of £400k across the two trusts
3. Offer either of the above and set up a working group to consider the issues further.

**Caroline would be grateful for your views, and is happy to speak to you about this as necessary.**

Jennie  
21/07/06

Caroline needs to sign a letter  
tomorrow Tues

I'd go for 1 - but think.

Phoe