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Tessa Jowell MP
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18 May, 1998

Dear Tessa,

Thank you for your letter of 23 March in connection with hepatitis C contracted through NHS treatment.

I have had enquiries from another constituent about this issue and I am writing to see if there have been any further developments on making a decision about the special payment scheme. If not, I would be very grateful indeed if you could please keep me informed when a decision is made so that I can let my constituents know.

Thank you for your help and I look forward to hearing from you.

**GRO-C** 

Dawn Primarolo

