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Executive summary

On 3 April 1995 a Chief Medical Officer letter (PL CMO(95)1) was issued to all Medical Practitioners in England containing guidance and procedures for the look back exercise announced by Tom Sackville, Parliamentary Secretary for Health, on 11 January 1995.

The exercise is to trace, counsel and, if necessary, treat those people who may have been inadvertently infected with hepatitis C through blood transfusions. A similar letter has also been sent by the Chief Medical Officers of the Territorial Health Departments. The letter has been copied to Regional Directors/Managers, District General Managers, Chief Executives of NHS Trusts and Directly Managed Units.

Action

General Managers and Chief Executives are asked to:

- make the necessary arrangements to ensure that the maximum co-operation is given in the conduct of this exercise, particularly in the tracing of the appropriate records;
- bring this matter to the attention of all appropriate staff.