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Dear Mr Bragg

England Infected Blood Support Scheme (EIBSS)

Your application for hepatitis C stage 1 payments has been referred to EIBSS by the Skipton Fund.

I am sorry to inform you that your application has been unsuccessful.

Applications can only be authorised where there is evidence that, on the balance of probabilities, an applicant has been chronically infected with hepatitis C through treatment with NHS blood or blood products in England prior to September 1991.

The supporting medical information submitted in your application did not provide sufficient evidence that this is the case. I understand from the documentation provided that you received blood transfusions from four donors in Norway and that three of the four donors were Anti-HCV negative but the fourth cannot be ruled out as a potential source of infection. The medical assessors could find no record of your receipt of NHS blood or blood products in the documentation provided.

If you obtain further information which confirms that you did undergo treatment with NHS blood or blood products in England, please return the form to us along with a copy of this documentation. Please note any amendments to the form will need to be confirmed by the completing doctor.

You can appeal if you disagree with the outcome of your application. Our independent appeals panel will reconsider the decision. If you want to appeal, tell us in writing within three months of the date of this letter. Please return your application form along with any further information you would like the panel to consider.

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For more information visit our website at www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/EIBSS. You can also call us on 0300 330 1294 or email us at nhsbsa.eibss@nhs.net. Our office is open 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday. We offer a telephone translation service if English is not your first language and we can provide documents in large print or Braille on request.

Yours sincerely

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