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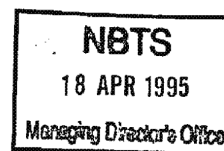
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Dear Peter,

Re: HCV Lookback Programme

Thank you for meeting with Dr Westmoreland and myself to discuss arrangements for the HCV Lookback Programme. As agreed I am writing to indicate the costs that we envisage will be incurred through our part of the programme.

1. Employment of Medical Officer/Consultant - for six sessions per week for a duration of nine months. £29,153
2. Costs of secretarial support and stationery calculated on the basis of 1 days work/week plus normally associated consumable costs). £ 3,618
3. Travelling costs - (visiting hospitals, medical staff, patients, counselling etc.) estimate of 1,200 miles per month £ 2,668
4. HCV tests (ELISA Immunoblotting and PCR) costs as supplied by Dr Westmoreland £35,000
5. Total £70,439

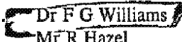
Regarding the next phase of the enquiry e.g. referral to an appropriate Consultant, out patient time, diagnostic biochemistry, liver biopsy etc. In-patient stays - if it were possible to calculate a reasonable estimate for this, then I envisage that it might be possible to establish a form of reimbursement to the hospitals concerned. As a suggestion it could be considered that this work is done on our behalf by the hospitals concerned in order to gain information regarding the clinical status of those patients presumed to have been infected with blood transfusion. Hospitals could therefore seek reimbursement from the Blood Transfusion Service for the costs concerned on the basis that we in turn submit the aggregated costs of all the hospital investigations for claim against central funds.

We are of course regularly undertaking financial transactions with the hospitals so I imagine this might not present an insuperable obstacle if the arrangements found favour with the Welsh Office. I leave this for your consideration.

With best wishes,

Yours Sincerely,

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J A F NAPIER
MEDICAL DIRECTOR

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