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Dear Mr. Connon,

Thank you for replying to the two page letter i sent too your department on the 22nd of January 2006. In it i asked several questions, that i thought you and your team would be able to answer. Your reply to me was that you can not comment on individual cases, quite frankly Mr. Connon i find that a disgrace, from a head of a NHS department, who cannot take the time and trouble to answer a terminally ill man,s questions.

You received my initial application on the 16th of August and declined it on the 17th of August 2005. the day after you recieved it. And yet it has taken you sixteen days to reply too my letter. Sir i am not going to be denied my right to have the questions that i want answered, by waiting until you get around to forming an appeals committee. the questions that i want answering will go towards my appeal. How can i possibly go to an appeal hearing without having all the relivent information that i seek?

Why does Mr. Fish another Administrator on the scheme, tell my MP. Peter kilfoyle that my medical records have been destroyed? Why does the blood bank manager from Aintree hospital tell me that my records were never kept? You have asked me in your guidelines, to prove to your scheme that i have proof of being infected. I will now ask you to give me the proof of why Mr. Fish said my records have been destroyed, and why, and for what reason, were they destroyed? it sounds to me like they are contradicting each other.

I also ask you, why if i could possibly afford it, i can get legal representation at my appeal hearing but i am not allowed to represent myself? This is England Mr. Connon, not the bloody Soviet Union! Please do not reply to this letter with the same standard reply that you have given me in the past, i would like my questions answered, it is not a lot to ask for, is it? I have done everything i could possibly do too prove to your scheme that i am a eligible patient, i have even approached my Consultant in Birmingham to look again at my <u>undestroyed</u> medical records that have escaped being destroyed from 1981. (A copy of which i am enclosing.) I honestly believe Mr. Connon that your department should review my application again, on the grounds that new evidence has come to light since my initial application. I am also enclosing for your attention a recent letter that i have sent to Mr. Foster, who as you know is an Administrator of the Skipton Fund. To date i have still had no reply from him.

Sir i am reluctant to approach the national press over the issues that i have with your policy scheme guidelines, and for the way i have been treated by

your department, by not answering the questions that i continually ask and not receiving any reply to them. What happened to the freedom of information act, for gods sake! My reluctance to approach the press is from past experiences that i have had, by telling my neighbours and friends that i have Hepititis C. They have shunned and stopped communicating with me, for fear of catching this off me. I have been made to feel like a leper, and have had to move to another area of the city because of this. My own Doctor will testify to this. However, if you continue to deny me the relivent information that i am seeking, then i will have to suffer the consequences of that action. I hope that i do not have to wait another 16 days for a reply of you. I am not asking you to comment on individual cases, i am asking for your comments on my case, i have sent you enough evidence and proof that i can possibly give you, there is nothing more that i can do, only to ask you in a civilised way to please answer my questions.

Yours s	sincerely.	
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