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Dear Charlie,

I am enclosing two tables on the results of my recent questionnaire. This should be considered at the Meeting on 20th May, either tabled or pre-circulated, as you have time.

Best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

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A.L. Bloom.

SURVEY OF FACTOR VIII AND IX CONCENTRATE USE IN U.K.WITH REFERENCE TO AIDS.

Number of questionnaires sent	115
Number returned (8.5.85)	79
Response	69%

Concentrate Type	Concentrate Used		Comment
	Yes	No	
Unheated Commercial VIII	1	78	
Children Unheated Comm.	0	79	
Unheated Domestic VIII	32*	45	
Children Unheated Dom. VIII	14*		
Cryoprecipitate	70	9	
Heated Commercial VIII	63	16**	
Heated Domestic VIII	43	35	Not yet freely available
Unheated Domestic IX	51	12	
Heated Commercial IX	14	46	2 Centres use both heated and unheated
Neither IX	16		Presumed too few Haemophilia B.
Financial Difficulties	4	75	

* Includes 3 Centres using it on HTLV III+ patients only.

** Includes: 5 Scottish Centres using heated domestic VIII.

Others include small Centres using unheated domestic VIII
or Cryo.

EFFECT OF ACDP GUIDELINES ON HAEMOPHILIA PRACTICE

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Number returned (8.5.85) 79

Response 69%

	Yes	%	No	%
1) Laboratory problems	36	(46%)	43	(54%)
with haemophilic samples	33	(43%)	46	(57%)
with other haematology	19*	(24%)	60	(76%)
2) Laboratories meet requirements:	30	(38%)	49	(62%)
Laboratories <u>with</u> Lab. problem which meet				
the requirements	6	(17%)	30	(83%)
Laboratories <u>without</u> Lab. problems which				
meet the requirements	23	(55%)	19	(45%)
3) Laboratories with Financial Difficulties	22	(28%)	56	(72%)
Laboratories which meet the requirements that				
have financial difficulties	0		33	(100%)
Laboratories which do not meet the requirements				
that have financial difficulties	22	(51%)	21	(49%)
4) Centres with Ward (clinical) problems	23	(32%)	50	(68%)
Aggravated by ACDP Guidelines	12	(52%)	-	
Ameliorated by Guidelines	2	(9%)	-	
Neither	9	(39%)	-	
5) Have patients "suffered"	7	(9%)	66	(83%)
* Includes 3 from "no problem with haemophilia group".				

NOTE Several letters were also received.

Conclusions 1) There is a substantial number of laboratories where difficulties have been observed.

2) About 60% of laboratories do not meet the requirements.

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- 3) Problems occur less frequently when labs meet the requirements.
- 4) Laboratories which meet the requirements have had less financial constraints compared to those that don't.
- 5) Clinical problems occur with only slightly less frequency than laboratory problems.
- 6) A few patients have actually "suffered" and these problems have caused considerable emotional reaction in haematologists and other clinicians.