

Mr Brandes

1. Commercially produced Factor VIII concentrate is so expensive that Health Authorities cannot afford to buy as much as they would wish to and production of this material within the NHS is very small. In the circumstances one cannot be satisfied that it is being made available to those who need it. However Dr Owen has already explained to Mr Osborn on 25 March and 6 May what is being done to remedy the situation and there seems nothing that can be usefully added to the previous answers.

2. I attach a draft reply.

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cc Mr Draper
Dr Maycock ✓
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