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Dear Colleague

FUTURE MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE WELSH BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE

I am writing to advise you that, following consideration of responses to wide consultation on the report "Proposals for the Future Management Arrangements for the Blood Transfusion Service based at Rhydlafar", Ministers have concluded that the management responsibility for the Welsh Blood Transfusion Service should be transferred with effect from 1 April 1991 from South Glamorgan Health Authority to the Welsh Health Common Service Authority (WHCSA).

In taking this decision Ministers wished to be assured that the new management environment will enable the Service to continue to respond effectively to the needs of health authorities, hospitals, clinicians and patients. To this end and to ensure, not only that the new arrangements are introduced effectively but that the longer term development needs of the Blood Transfusion Service are appropriately addressed, Ministers have decided that a Blood Transfusion Service Committee will be set up within WHCSA to include wider relevant interests including Service users.

I am also sending copies of this letter to those other bodies which were given the opportunity to comment on the report; these are listed in the Annex to this letter.

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