

Written questions, answers and statements

[UK Parliament](#) > [Business](#) > [Written questions, answers and statements](#) > [Find written questions and answers](#) > 22352

Question



Stephen Kinnock

Labour

Aberavon

 Commons



To ask the Secretary of State for Health, if he will commission an inquiry into contaminated blood in England and Wales.

Answer



Jane Ellison

Conservative

Battersea

 Commons



Answered on

22 January 2016

Given the thoroughness of Lord Penrose's report, published in March 2015 and the fact that the report sets the events in Scotland in the wider UK context at that time, our view remains that there is no need for a further public inquiry in England. The report, together with over 5,000 documents from the period 1970-85 that have already been published by the Government, provides a comprehensive picture of events and decisions made. Another Inquiry would not be in the best interests of sufferers and their families as it would be costly and further delay action to address their concerns and significantly delay plans to reform existing payment support schemes.

On 21 January 2016, the Government published a consultation seeking views on proposed reforms to the schemes supporting those infected with, or affected by, HIV and/or hepatitis C through NHS-supplied blood products. I would encourage all those with an interest to respond.

Answered by

Department of Health and Social Care

