

To: Mrs M Gibson, CA.OPU2

From: Miss C Cavanagh,
APS/PS(H)

Date: 13 July 1994

Copies: Mr T Kelly, CA.OPU2

POH(3)4608/75: PAYMENTS TO HAEMOPHILIACS INFECTED WITH HEPATITIS
THROUGH BLOOD PRODUCTS

PS(H) has signed the draft reply you provided for the above case.
However, he has commented:

"A tricky one: if HIV, why not Hepatitis."

Please could I have advice and a line to take by c.o.p. Monday
18 July.

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David Porter M.P.

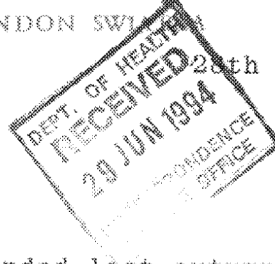


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POH(3)4608/44.

HOUSE OF COMMONS
LONDON SW1

28th June 1994.



Dear Tom

We corresponded last autumn (you wrote to me on 2nd September) about haemophiliacs who are infected with hepatitis from contaminated blood products, and you advised me that the Department was not considering one off settlement payments to hepatitis sufferers to match those made to haemophiliacs who contracted HIV through infected blood products.

I am writing to ask if there is any prospect of that decision being reconsidered.

Yours ever

GRO-C

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