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Thank you for your letter of 12 October to Virginia Bottomley about one of your constituents who claims to have contracted Hepatitis C as a result of a blood transfusion they received before 1985.

The scheme of payments for those infected with HIV through blood or tissue transfer was an extension of the settlement scheme for haemophiliacs who contracted HIV through using infected blood products. There are no plans to extend the scheme to those who may have been infected with Hepatitis C.

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