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Dear Andrzej

HCV Look Back

Advice is being sought with regard to foreign nationals who were private patients (mainly in the London area) and who have now been identified as recipients of blood from HCV positive donors. The name of the overseas clinician with continuing responsibility for the patient after discharge from the private clinic is available.

Question: - should these clinicians be sent the DLHCV3 letter and form LBF2 i.e. should attempts be made to have these overseas private patients counselled and tested.

N.B. A precedent has been set in the case of HIV Lookback where 2 or 3 private patients from Greece and the Middle East were contacted and in 2 cases where the recipients were infected before 1985, government compensation monies were awarded.

Advice on how to proceed with regard to overseas private patients identified in the HCV Lookback programme would be much appreciated.

Many thanks.		
Yours sincerely	,	
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