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HCV look-back

Thank you for the update from the Clinical Directors' meeting. The response about the "problem hospitals" was disappointing, since we had been led to believe that the Department would be willing to offer help!

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We discussed the question of indeterminates at our counselling review meeting last Friday. As you say, there will be no problem within NLBTC and STBTS ensuring consistency of approach. I have agreed with Angela that I will have a session at Brentwood to review all the potential indeterminate donors to be included in the look-back. Alan Kitchen is currently producing the list and we will meet after Easter to ensure consistency.

I have not had an opportunity to discuss this with Liz, since she is on leave. I hope that we can similarly meet and review the donor data before we start the look-back in earnest.

I will keep you updated, but it should be within our power to ensure consistency within the London and South East Zone.

GRO-C

Dr Hewitt