



## **Statement of Approach - Evidence 1: invitation to people infected and affected to express interest in providing evidence**

This note invites people infected and affected by blood or blood products (including people who think they might have been infected in this way) to complete a short form by **20 July** telling the Inquiry how they would like to provide evidence.

The Inquiry needs to gather evidence to establish the truth of what happened. Evidence can be provided to the Inquiry in a number of different ways, for example in a written statement or by speaking at a hearing. Documents provided to the Inquiry such as letters, medical records, and research material are also evidence.

The Inquiry is asking you to complete this form so that we know how many people are interested in providing a written statement and/or giving evidence at a public hearing and/or providing their story in some other way. **We are not asking you to provide a written statement now.** After analysing the information provided on the forms, the Inquiry team will contact you (or your legal representative) with further information.

The personal information you provide in this form will not itself be evidence for the Inquiry; it will not be published or shared outside the Inquiry; and it will be processed in accordance with the Inquiry's privacy information notice.

No legal expenses will be paid by the Inquiry for completing and submitting the form. However, if you or someone you know needs help to complete the form please contact the Inquiry at: [witness.support@infectedbloodinquiry.org.uk](mailto:witness.support@infectedbloodinquiry.org.uk) or freephone 0808 169 1377 and a member of the Inquiry team will be pleased to help.

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