

INFECTED BLOOD INQUIRY

SECOND WRITTEN STATEMENT OF ELAINE HUXLEY

I provide this statement in response to a request under Rule 9 of the Inquiry rules 2006 dated 12th December 2018. I adopt the paragraph numbering in the Rule 9 request for ease of reference.

I, Elaine Huxley will say as follows:-

1. **Introduction**

1. I do not wish to make any changes to this section of my statement.

2. **How Infected**

1. I do not wish to make any changes to this section of my statement.

3. **Other infections**

1. I would like to make additions to this section of my statement.

2. Around 10 years ago I attended the GP in Bridgend regarding a darkened patch of skin on the back of my leg.

3. At the time the GP told me that this needed further investigation and a skin biopsy was performed.
4. The results from the biopsy came back I was diagnosed with Porokeratosis. This is a very rare skin condition. My GP informed me that I needed to stay out of the sun, as a result I do not sun bathe.
5. I then carried out my own research into what Porokeratosis was. I read many articles online and it was stated that it primarily affects Americans. I found out that over 200,000 Americans have Porokeratosis.
6. I believe that there is a link between this rare condition and the contaminated blood I received. It cannot be a coincidence that I was given contaminated blood products from America and now have a rare skin condition that it found primarily in Americans.
7. The condition has only deteriorated and more dark patches have started to appear.

4. **Consent**

1. I do not wish to make any changes to this section of my statement

5. **Impact**

1. I do not wish to make any changes to this section of my statement.

6. **Treatment/Care Support**

1. I do not wish to make any changes to this section of my statement.

7. **Financial Assistance**

1. I do not wish to make any changes to this section of my statement.

8. **Other Issues**

1. I do not wish to make any changes to this section of my statement.

Statement of Truth

I believe that the facts stated in this witness statement are true.

Signed..... **GRO-C**

Dated..... ²23-3-2019.....