

Witness Name: David James Perry
Statement No: WITN3173002
Exhibits: None
Dated: 17/6/19.

INFECTED BLOOD INQUIRY

SECOND WRITTEN STATEMENT OF DAVID JAMES PERRY

I provide this statement in response to a request for a written statement under Rule 9 of the Inquiry Rules dated 11th June 2019.

I, David James Perry, will say as follows:-

Section 1: Introduction

1. My name is David James Perry. My date of birth is 1954. My address is
2. My professional qualifications are MB ChB (University of Edinburgh) 1978; MRCP (UK) 1980; MRCPATH 1985; MD (University of Edinburgh) 1992; PhD (University of Cambridge) 1993; FRCPath 1995, FRCedin 1997; FRCPLond 2008.
3. I was appointed to the West Midlands rotational training scheme in Haematology in July 1983 and left in November 1987.
4. In April 1985 to September 1986, I was a trainee senior registrar at the Birmingham Children's Hospital. I worked under the supervision of Consultant Haematologists, Dr FGH Hill and Dr PJ Darbyshire.
5. My responsibilities during this period were the management of children both in-patients and out-patients with haematological disorders, under the close supervision of both consultants.
6. I have no membership of any committees or groups, past or present that are relevant to the Inquiry's Terms of Reference.

Section 2: Letter dated 11 October 1985

7. Mr Beard's statement refers to a letter from Dr V E Mitchell at Leicester Royal Infirmary to me dated 11 October 1985, specifically where he notes that Mr Beard was HTLV 3 antibody positive but was not aware of this and that I did not wish this to be divulged to him.
8. As I outlined in my previous statement - dated 17 May 2019, I am unable to comment upon the screening for HTLV 3 antibodies. I was not responsible for instituting viral screening of patients registered with the Birmingham Children's Hospital. The letter stating that I did not wish the HTLV 3 antibody status to be divulged to Mr Beard would have been the instructions I had received from my senior consultant colleagues and not a decision I would have made independently.
9. I was at this time a trainee under the close supervision of Dr FGH Hill, consultant haematologist at the Birmingham Children's Hospital.

HTLV 3 testing practices at the Birmingham Children's Hospital

10. As I have outlined above, I was a trainee in Haematology during this period and I was not involved in decisions involving HTLV 3 antibody testing and I am, therefore, unable to comment upon 'HTLV 3 testing practices at the Birmingham Children's Hospital'.

Statement of Truth

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

Signed GRO-C

Date 17/6/19