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Dear Sir

Thank you for sending me a ~~memorandum~~ copy of your memorandum.

With regard to question (10) Although I answered it Jan I want to enlarge on what happened.

In 1983 I received a letter from Lewisham Hospital and an appointment. The letter said that an annual review of Haemophilias was going to start

it also said that a physio - therapist, Sister and Consultant would be present.

In Aug 1983 I went to this review, the Consultant took a sample of my blood. About three weeks later I received a letter telling me that the result of my blood test ^{had} proved negative.

In 1984 I did not go to Lewisham Hospital at all or have a blood test.

In Jan 1985 I went to Lewisham Hospital with a bad left shoulder.

The sister (Moira Caffell) told me that of all the Haemophiliacs who had been tested only two

were negative and that
I was one of those two.

Because I did not receive
a letter ~~telling~~ that year
telling me I ^{then} was positive,
~~that~~ I presumed that I
was still negative. The
same goes for 1986 no
letter came.

In 1987 the Consultant
said to me if you were
positive would I want to
be told I said YES

I said I could see no
reason why my blood
test should be any
different. The consultant
then said that another
haemophiliac had become
positive.

The consultant did not tell me in 1987 that I was then positive, nor did I receive a letter.

On Jan 4th 1988 the Consultant told me that I was positive he had known this since 1985.

From ~~Aug 1985~~ ~~Aug 1985~~ to Jan 4th 1988 I put my parents lives at risk because I believed that I was negative I took no special care.

After being told that I was negative I feel that more care should have been taken to keep me that way

~~I should not have been
given anymore concentrate
then; ~~just~~ only Plasma or
Cryo.~~

No one at Lewisham
Hospital seemed to care
what would happen to
me. I feel that gross
negligence has taken
place against me. and
poor medical supervision.

Yours Sincerely,

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